

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Zoning By-Law Amendment Application – File Z-9250 – 100 Fullarton Street

World class cities that are vibrant and interesting for residents and tourists alike manage to retain their architectural heritage as well as embracing the best of new designs and architectural ideas. We feel that citizens are more rooted in their city when it acknowledges all its stages of built heritage. Unfortunately we in London have not had a strong record of supporting our heritage buildings, and we request that you uphold the original terms of your decision re 100 Fullerton St.

As Londoners passionate about our City's treasured built-heritage, we are writing to express opposition to the requested zoning by-law amendment for 100 Fullarton Street which will impact 93-95 Dufferin Street and 475-501 Talbot Street (the former Camden Terrace).

The double house at 93-95 Dufferin Street has significant cultural heritage value. Of Italianate (93) and Classical Revival (95) style, it is believed to have been designed by Samuel Peters (London's first City Engineer). Mr. Peters lived in 93 Dufferin Street from approximately 1868 to 1882. Later on, Colonel John Walker (Member of Parliament in 1874; Middlesex County Registrar) lived there.

City Council's decision to permit the demolition of Camden Terrace at 475-501 Talbot Street (and to not pursue its designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act – despite strong evidence of its cultural heritage value) was controversial, and came only after considerable debate and discussion. The requirement for the property-owner to carefully dismantle the façade and then to reconstruct it within the lobby of the new building was a key element in Council's eventual decision to approve the demolition and the proposed development on the property now known as 100 Fullarton Street.

Respectfully,
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