

303 Richmond St., Suite 201 London, ON N6B 2H8

June 17, 2021

By email:

Chair Phil Squire; Members of City of London Planning and Environment Committee City of London 300 Dufferin Avenue PO Box 5035 London, ON N6A 4L9

Dear Chair Squire and Committee Members:

Re: Request for Delegation Status (Item 4.1; June 21, 2021 Agenda)

Proposal for Heritage Act Designation

183 and 197 Ann Street, London

St. George and Ann Block Limited (c/o York Developments)

We have reviewed information submitted in conjunction with the above-referenced delegation request and wish to offer the following comments in response:

- Our cultural heritage consultant (MHBC) is currently updating the Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) completed for the Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment applications pertaining to these lands (City File: OZ-9127). The HIA submitted with the application, dated July 5, 2019, provided a heritage assessment of 197 Ann Street, which was listed as in the City's Register of Cultural Heritage Resources (the 'Register') at that time. This report is being updated to assess the heritage resources of additional properties within the proposed development site that were subsequently added to the Register in October 2020 (175, 179 and 183 Ann Street; 84 and 86 St. George Street). The HIA update has been carried out in consultation with City staff, and should be available for staff review by June 30, 2021.
- York Developments has not submitted a demolition application for 183 or 197 Ann Street, and has previously committed to the Committee that an application would not be submitted until a Council decision is received for OZ-9127.

It is our opinion that any decision on the designation of these properties should be delayed until the updated HIA is reviewed, and a revised development application is brought forward to the Committee for consideration.

In light of our concerns, we respectfully request delegation status at the June 21, 2021 Committee meeting to address the request to designate 183 and 197 Ann Street under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act. Our team is available to assist in any way to address any questions you may have regarding the matters discussed. I may be contacted at 519-433-7587.

Yours Truly,

Ali Soufan President, Yerk Developments

Cc: M. Tomazincic, B. Debbert; City of London Mayor E. Holder, Council Members; City of London