



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Heritage Conservation Districts in Toronto: Procedures, Policies and Terms of Reference

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SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to advise that a staff action report, "Heritage Conservation Districts in Toronto: Procedures, Policies and Terms of Reference" (*HCDs in Toronto*) will be finalized and available for consideration at the November 24, 2011 meeting of the Toronto Preservation Board.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

HCDs in Toronto creates a fair and transparent process for the study, planning and designation of HCDs that results in district plans and designations that are consistent in their conservation expectations and responsive to the unique heritage significance and character of each district. It has been developed in response to significant changes to the *Ontario Heritage Act* and the *Provincial Policy Statement* in 2005, as well as the City Council adopted *Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada*.

It incorporates advice from the Ministry of Tourism and Culture regarding the creation and adoption of Heritage Conservation District Studies and Plans, as well as comments received during consultations with the public, heritage professionals and city staff.

It also addresses Official Plan directions to protect Heritage Conservation Districts and conserve heritage resources on properties listed on the inventory of heritage properties.

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