



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Approval of 2011 Toronto Heritage Grant Awards

Date:	May 18, 2011
To:	Toronto Preservation Board Planning and Growth Management Committee
From:	Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	Pg11032

SUMMARY

This report recommends that City Council approve the recommended grant awards for the 2011 Toronto Heritage Grant Program as set out in this report.

The Toronto Heritage Grant Program forms part of the City's Community Partnership and Investment Program and provides matching grant funds for eligible heritage restoration work to owners of properties in the City of Toronto designated under Part IV or V of the Ontario Heritage Act. The Toronto Heritage Grant Program is administered by Heritage Preservation Services, City Planning Division.

RECOMMENDATIONS

City Planning Division recommends that:

1. City Council approve awards for the 2011 Toronto Heritage Grant Program for the 26 heritage properties in the City of Toronto, as set out below, to assist in funding the scope of restoration work generally described in Attachment No. 1 of this report, in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Toronto Heritage Grant Program previously approved by City Council:
 - a. 125 Bathurst Street, (Factory Theatre), \$38,000
 - b. 47 Benlamond Avenue, house, \$10,000
 - c. 94 Bleecker Street, house, \$3,100
 - d. 100 Bleecker Street, house, \$5,000
 - e. 338 Douglas Drive, house, \$5,000
 - f. 7 Draper Street, house, \$5,000

- g. 20 Draper Street, house, \$7,500
- h. 317 Dundas Street West, (The Grange), \$10,000
- i. 191 First Avenue, house, \$5,000
- j. 2 Geneva Avenue, house, \$5,000
- k. 110 Lombard Street, fire hall, \$7,500
- l. 27 Prince Arthur Avenue , house, \$5,000
- m. 29 Prince Arthur Avenue, house, \$5,000
- n. 160 Queen Street West, (Campbell House), \$8,000
- o. 652 Queen Street West, (Crocker Building), commercial, \$30,000
- p. 292 Robert Street, house, \$5,000
- q. 292a Robert Street, house, \$2,000
- r. 39 Rosedale Road, house, \$6,000
- s. 417 Sackville Street, house, \$7,000
- t. 76 Salisbury Avenue, house, \$7,500
- u. 691 Scarlett Road, (St Matthias Anglican Church), \$32,400
- v. 146 St. Andrews Rd, house, \$7,500
- w. 330 Sumach Street, house, \$30,000
- x. 51 West Avenue, house, \$2,500
- y. 53 West Avenue, house, \$2,500
- z. 111 Winchester, house, \$1,000

2. The use of the grant awards outlined in recommendation (1) of this report, be limited to only the proposed restoration work approved by the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division, and that issuing of the grant award be subject to the grant recipient satisfying all conditions as set out in the Letter of Understanding between the City and the grant recipient.

Financial Impact

There are no new financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report. This report recommends grant awards for the 2011 Toronto Heritage Grant Program based on the 2011 budget approved by City Council.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting of February 24, 2011, City Council approved a budget of \$260,000 for the 2011 Toronto Heritage Grant Program.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Heritage Preservation Services staff sent notices to all eligible heritage property owners across the City advising of the 2011 Toronto Heritage Grant Program. A public workshop was held in March to provide information and to assist property owners in preparing complete applications.

Staff received 39 grant applications, an increase from the 30 grant applications received in 2010. The independent Toronto Heritage Grant Selection Committee convened on May 13, 2011 to consider 31 eligible applications and make recommendations on grant awards for 26 properties. Applications were evaluated according to the Eligibility Requirements and Selection Criteria adopted by City Council.

The 2011 Selection Committee was made up of five individuals chosen for their expertise in heritage conservation, including a member of the Toronto Preservation Board:

- Jane Burgess, Stevens Burgess Architects, Ltd.
- Phil Goldsmith, Philip Goldsmith Architect
- Spencer Higgins, Spencer R. Higgins Architect Inc.
- Tony Roias, Roof Tile Management
- Paul Gogan, Toronto Preservation Board

COMMENTS

The Toronto Heritage Grant Selection Committee recommends a total of \$255,000 be awarded to 26 properties. The remaining \$5,000 of the Toronto Heritage Grant Program budget has or will be used to support the administration of the program including notification mail-outs, a public workshop and the selection committee meeting.

The twenty-six applications being recommended represent over \$1.6 million in private investment for proposed heritage conservation work to properties across the City. This is a significant increase from the \$750,000 in proposed conservation work for 2010.

Of the thirty-nine applications submitted only 8 were rejected for inadequate documentation or inappropriate proposed conservation work. The successful grant recipients will be given funding for necessary and deserving conservation projects for some of the City's most notable community-focused institutions which have a significant heritage character including The Grange (1818), Campbell House (1822), and the Factory Theatre (1869, 1910) originally the St. Mary's Arts & Letters Club. Other significant recipients include the converted Lombard Street Fire Hall (1886, 1895), the Crocker Building commercial block (1887-91), the former St. Matthias Anglican Church (1895) now the Toronto Bellcote, Sukyo Makihari, and the Eden Smith-designed Spruce Court Co-operative (1913), Toronto's first public housing integrated in Cabbagetown.

The City of Toronto's Official Plan, Chapter 3 "Building a Successful City" includes policies on Heritage Resources. The policies in Section 3.1.5 state that "public incentives to encourage the conservation and long-term protection of heritage resources will be created." Investment in heritage preservation has been demonstrated throughout Canada and abroad to return significant economic and cultural benefits to local governments.

Since being restructured in 2005 the Grant Program typically results in an average multiplier of 5:1 of private capital expenditure for every grant dollar awarded. The objectives to encourage appropriate conservation, generate tax revenues, local employment and contribute to improving the quality of life of Torontonians have begun to be enjoyed. The City Planning Division considers that adequate and consistent levels of funding are a critical component of a sustainable heritage grant program.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No.1: Toronto Heritage Grant Awards 2011: Properties and Scopes of Work

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ATTACHMENT NO. 1

Toronto Heritage Grant Awards 2011: Properties and Scopes of Work

Property	Ward	Recommended Scope of Restoration Work	Grant Award (max.)	Total Estimated Restoration Cost
125 Bathurst Street	20	masonry walls, stained and leaded glass, bay window roof	\$38,000	\$78,000
47 Benlamond Avenue	32	chimneys and brick walls	\$10,000	\$68,000
94 Bleecker Street	28	brick and mortar	\$3,100	\$6,200
100 Bleecker Street	28	windows	\$5,000	\$12,900
338 Douglas Drive	27	slate roof	\$5,000	\$245,000
7 Draper Street	20	slate roof and dormers	\$7,500	\$29,800
20 Draper Street	20	masonry, windows, porch	\$7,500	\$28,900
317 Dundas Street West	20	windows	\$10,000	\$21,600
191 First Avenue	30	foundation and masonry	\$5,000	\$14,500
2 Geneva Avenue	28	slate roof	\$5,000	\$20,000
110 Lombard Street	28	windows	\$7,500	\$28,560
27 Prince Arthur Avenue	20	slate roof	\$5,000	\$36,200
29 Prince Arthur Avenue	20	slate roof, masonry, woodwork	\$5,000	\$28,800
160 Queen Street West	20	window shutters and hardware	\$8,000	\$30,420
652 Queen Street West	19	masonry and parapet	\$30,000	\$255,000
292 Robert Street	20	masonry, roof, porch and windows	\$5,000	\$110,385
292a Robert Street	20	masonry, roof, porch and windows	\$2,000	\$93,205
39 Rosedale Road	27	foundations and masonry	\$6,000	\$22,600
417 Sackville Street	28	windows	\$7,000	\$15,000
76 Salisbury Avenue	28	masonry	\$7,500	\$15,400
691 Scarlett Road	02	siding, stained glass, entry, bell cote	\$32,400	\$148,472
146 St Andrews Road	38	verandah and windows	\$7,500	\$45,000
330 Sumach Street	28	masonry	\$30,000	\$140,000
51 West Avenue	30	masonry	\$2,500	\$20,000
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111 Winchester Avenue	28	gable and soffit	\$1,000	\$12,000
TOTAL			\$255,000	\$1,545,942