

September 20, 2012

To: City Council

From: Toronto Preservation Board

Subject: Toronto Heritage Conservation District (HCD) Study Prioritization Report
[To be considered with Item PG17.12]

Recommendations:

The Toronto Preservation Board recommends that:

- 1. City Council adopt the prioritization system and criteria included in the report (August 16, 2012) from the Acting Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning.**
- 2. City Council direct staff to initiate the study of the St. Lawrence; King/Spadina; Garden District; Historic Yonge Street and Queen Street East districts, as a result of the application of the prioritization criteria.**
- 3. City Council receive the report (September 20, 2012) from the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, entitled "Supplementary Report – Toronto Heritage Conservation District (HCD) Study Prioritization Report".**

Background:

The Toronto Preservation Board on September 20, 2012, considered the following:

1. report (August 16, 2012) from the Acting Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, respecting Toronto Heritage Conservation District (HCD) Study Prioritization Report;
2. report (September 20, 2012) from the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, respecting Supplementary Report – Toronto Heritage Conservation District (HCD) Study Prioritization Report; and
3. letter (September 20, 2012) from Kathryn A. Holden, HCD Nomination Team, Member of the Bay Cloverhill Community Association.

Kathryn A. Holden, HCD Nomination Team, Member of the Bay Cloverhill Community Association, addressed the Toronto Preservation Board.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Sexton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "M" and a long, sweeping tail.

For City Clerk

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Re: Heritage Conservation District (HCD) Study Prioritization Report and the BCCA-CWNA
Community Nomination of Historic Yonge Street to be named a Heritage conservation District

Dear Members of the Toronto Preservation Board:

As a member of the nominating team, I would like to emphasize that the community is strongly in support of this HCD nomination. We will support the study in every way possible.

I believe that it is important to note that development pressures are very intense and immediate in the area outlined on the map relating to our Historic Yonge Street nomination. I offer this list of development applications within the nomination area and currently in the Planning Department at the City of Toronto:

5 St. Joseph St.	48 storeys—under construction
15 St Mary Street	35 storeys—under construction
9-21 Grenville	50 storeys—approved
460 Grenville	60 storeys
501 Yonge Street	2 58 storey towers
Dundonald to Gloucester block	49 storeys
2-8 Gloucester	35 storeys
1 Bloor East	73 storeys
50 Bloor West	83 storeys

No doubt there are other applications at an earlier stage in the process and not yet available for release of information to the general public. Most of these applications intend to build from lot line to lot line. The developers, in general, do not give sufficient consideration to green spaces or community services.

As a community, we are working toward a more balanced and liveable community.

Our community pledges to assist and support the Heritage Conservation District Study process in every possible way.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Holden
HCD Nomination Team, Member of the BCCA