

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Supplementary Report: Official Plan Five Year Review: Official Plan Amendment to Adopt new Heritage and Public Realm Policies

Date:	March 25, 2013
To:	City Council
From:	Chief Planner & Executive Director, City Planning Division
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	P:\2013\Cluster B\PLN\City Council\CC13031

SUMMARY

This supplementary report responds to the request from the Planning and Growth Management Committee to report directly to City Council on the addition of views to and from the Old Mill Bridge and of the Humber River to Map 7A of the proposed Official Plan Amendment.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That City Council amend the proposed Official Plan policies and schedules included in the report dated February 4, 2013 and titled "Supplementary Report: Official Plan Amendment to Adopt New Heritage and Public Realm Policies", as follows:

1. Schedule 4 "Prominent and Heritage Buildings, Structures and Landscapes" be amended to include the following views:

a. A29. Old Mill Bridge [H]

The bridge can been seen in its entirety from Etienne Brule Park, from the pathway just north of the parking lot looking south, and from the end of the pathway next to the Old Mill Tennis Courts looking north-west.

b. C7. Humber River

The Humber River and natural ravine setting can be viewed clearly from both sides of the Bloor Street West Bridge (looking north and south), the Old Mill Bridge (looking north-west and south) and the Dundas Street West Bridge (looking north-west and south-east).

- 2. That view A28 be amended to read as follows:
 - a. The view of the prominent clock tower above the ridge of the west portion of the fire station building from all four corners of the intersection of Oueen Street East at Woodbine Avenue.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact as a result of this report.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting of February 28, 2013 the Planning and Growth Management Committee requested the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning to report directly to Council on the addition of views to and from the Old Mill Bridge on the Humber River to Map 7A of Draft Official Plan Amendment 199.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

During the course of the Planning and Growth Management Committee's Statutory Public Meeting on the revised Official Plan heritage policies, the Committee moved that additional views be included in the Official Plan. This report provides information for the inclusion of the requested views to the Old Mill Bridge and Humber River.

Committee also recommended an amendment to view A28 of Fire station No. 227 in the Beach. This report recommends a further amendment with respect to this view for greater protection of the view and clarity of intent.

COMMENTS

In March 2013, City Planning staff visited the sites from which a view to the Old Mill Bridge and the Humber River could be seen and documented. Staff assessed that the views could be seen clearly and that they merit inclusion within the identified views in the Schedule listed under "Prominent and Heritage Buildings, Structures and Landscapes," and "Important Natural Features." View A29 identifies the view of the physical structure that is the Old Mill Bridge from Etienne Brule Park, and from the pathway next to the Old Mill Tennis Courts. View C7 was amended to include view of the Humber River from vantage points on the Old Mill Bridge.

Planning and Growth Management recommended an amendment to the view of the Clock tower of Fire Station No. 227 in order to clarify the subject of the view. City Planning staff have determined that the view origin requires even further amendment so

that the view origin will now be from all four corners of the intersection of Queen Street East and Woodbine Avenue, in order to preserve as much of the important view as possible.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No. 1: Identified Views from the Public Realm (March 2013 version)

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