

STAFF REPORT INFORMATION ONLY

Request for Heritage Evaluation – 231-237 College Street and 177-189 Huron Street

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То:	Toronto Preservation Board Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Acting Director, Urban Design, City Planning Division
Wards:	Trinity-Spadina – Ward 20
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SUMMARY

This report addresses the request of the Toronto and East York Community Council that Heritage Preservation Services (HPS) report to the Toronto Preservation Board regarding the potential of including the properties at 231-237 College Street and 177-189 Huron Street on the City's Inventory of Heritage Properties.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications resulting from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting of June 18, 2013, in considering the report entitled "Preliminary Report - 231-237 College Street, and 177-189 Huron Street - Official Plan and Zoning Amendment Applications" (May 17, 2013) from the Director, Community Planning, Toronto and East York District, it was the Community Council decision to defer consideration of the report until its next meeting to be held on September 10, 2013, with a request that Heritage Preservation Services investigate the potential of including 231-237 College Street and 177-189 Huron Street on the inventory of heritage properties and submit a report to the Toronto Preservation Board.

COMMENTS

The heritage evaluation of the properties at 231-237 College Street and 177-189 Huron Street Avenue cannot be completed at this time due to the current demands on the limited resources of Heritage Preservation Services. While HPS endeavours to be proactive on the identification and protection of heritage properties, there is currently a large backlog of properties to be evaluated and limited staff to undertake evaluations of individual properties for the entire City of Toronto.

Staff continually prioritize requests for heritage evaluations based on a variety of factors including the level of threat, and current staffing and resource levels. The majority of the workload for listings and designations is currently focussed on ensuring the previously listed properties are designated as part of, or in response to, the development application process to ensure that they are conserved as part of a redevelopment.

With the current workload for heritage evaluations, it is estimated that this property may be evaluated on a priority basis and reported to Council by the end of 2013.

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