

# Councillor **Mike Layton**



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Dear Toronto and East York Community Council,

Toronto is made better by the cultural and built heritage that enhances our neighbourhoods. It is a reflection of our past, while serving the needs of our present-day and looking towards the future face of our city.

Nowhere is it more important to protect what remaining heritage exists than on Ossington Avenue, a street that has and continues to go through significant changes to its streetscape. Ossington Avenue celebrates the economic, cultural and institutional history of Toronto, while providing one of the most sought after destinations for artistic activities and creative industries in our city.

Development pressure threatens the built heritage on Ossington Avenue and something must be done. The community has nominated Ossington Avenue from Dundas Street West to Queen Street West for Heritage Conservation Designation process. Heritage Preservation Services staff have identified key properties that deserve consideration for inclusion on the City's Heritage Registry.

To advance the protection of heritage on Ossington, I recommend the Toronto and East York Community Council adopt the following:

- 1. The Director, Urban Design, City Planning Division, be requested to evaluate the 36 properties on Ossington Avenue identified in the Ossington Avenue Planning Study (July 2012) Attachment # 2 Map of Heritage Inventory & Potential Heritage Properties for potential inclusion on the City's Heritage Register and report to the Toronto Preservation Board, Toronto East York Community Council and City Council.*
- 2. The Director, Urban Design, City Planning Division, be requested to further review and evaluate the properties on Ossington Avenue between Queen Street and Dundas Street West for potential inclusion on the City's Heritage Register and report to the Toronto Preservation Board, Toronto East York Community Council and City Council.*

In community,

Mike Layton  
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