

Historic Yonge Street HCD Statement of Conservation Objectives

The overall objective of this Plan is to conserve, maintain, and enhance the cultural heritage value and heritage attributes of HYHCD in order to preserve these qualities for the benefit of current and future generations. The overall objectives of this Plan focus on conserving the physical character and the function of the Historic Yonge Street HCD.

The following objectives have been developed such that the cultural heritage value and heritage attributes identified in the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value are conserved. These objectives will be the foundation for policies governing heritage conservation measures within HYHCD's boundary. Although the following objectives are numbered, this does not indicate, nor should it be taken to imply, a hierarchy of importance.

1. Conserve, maintain, and enhance the heritage character of HYHCD as expressed through its heritage attributes and cultural heritage value.
2. Ensure that new development conserves the heritage character of HYHCD and maintains and enhances its cultural heritage value and does not detract from it.
3. Maintain and enhance the heritage attributes of those resources that contribute to the cultural heritage value of HYHCD.
4. Prevent the removal and demolition of resources, features, and attributes that contribute to HYHCD's cultural heritage value.
5. Prevent alterations that diminish HYHCD's cultural heritage value.
6. Ensure that any alteration, including adaptive reuse, is compatible with HYHCD's cultural heritage value.
7. Ensure that new development maintains and enhances HYHCD's cultural heritage value and does not detract from it.
8. Ensure infill and new development is appropriately scaled.
9. Encourage improvements to the public realm that support HYHCD's ongoing use by pedestrians so that its historic role as a commercial main street and place of congregation is reinforced.
10. Conserve the network of public laneways in HYHCD.
11. Conserve the historic main street character of HYHCD, including its streetwall, scale of buildings, and support the mixed commercial, retail, or residential uses that main street character implies.
12. Conserve the three dimensional character and form of HYHCD's built heritage resources.

13. Maintain and enhance the relationship between the main street character of Yonge Street and the residential character of St. Nicholas Village.
14. Maintain and enhance the area's role as a destination for civic assembly and use, such as for parades, demonstrations, and celebrations.