

City Council

Motion without Notice

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1040 and 1042 Queen Street West - Request for Heritage Designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act - by Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Gord Perks

** This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

** This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

Recommendations

Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Gord Perks, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Senior Manager, Heritage Preservation Services to research and evaluate the properties at 1040 and 1042 Queen Street West located in the West Queen West area for designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act and to report back to the Toronto and East York Community Council with the results of this evaluation by April 2017.

Summary

Toronto's historic Queen Street West, from Bathurst Street to Roncesvalles, is currently being studied as a potential Heritage Conservation District designation under the Ontario Heritage Act. While this study process is still underway, the City's heritage consultant has identified many buildings for designation. A full report to the Toronto Preservation Board is expected in 2017 which will provide a deeper understanding and identification of the cultural heritage values and lead to stronger heritage protection along Queen Street West.

Prior to, and during the Heritage Conservation District study, property owners at 1040 and 1042 Queen Street West approached the City with redevelopment plans for site plan approval and are currently seeking a demolition permit.

The buildings at 1040 and 1042 Queen Street West are part of a row of five buildings that have been identified as demonstrating significant character in the area, and are worthy of consideration as part of the area's architectural character.

This issue is urgent as the buildings are currently being considered for demolition.

Background Information (City Council)

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