## **Palace Arms**

**95-99 Strachan Avenue** 

**Toronto Preservation Board** January 18, 2024

# 938-950 King Street West, and

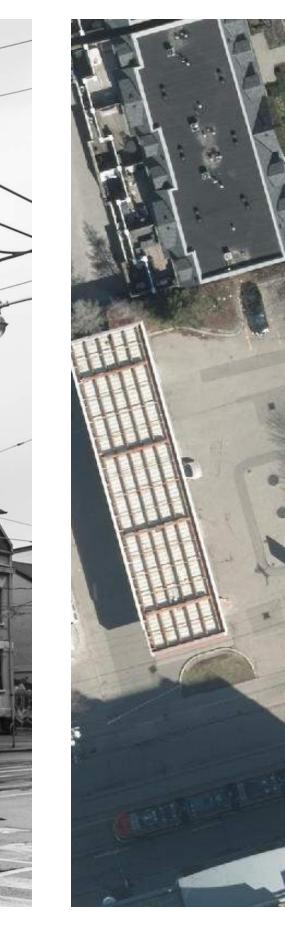




## **THE SITE**



View looking towards the southwest corner of the building, Photographer: Dan Chan, 2022





City of Toronto - Toronto Maps v2 Aerial 2020, annotated by Giaimo





#### TIMELINE

#### Heritage Impact Assessment for Redevelopment Proposal (ERA)

Issued March 26, 2018 Revised December 17, 2020

#### **Conservation Plan**

Issued May 7, 2021 Revised May 26, 2022

#### Designated Under Part IV of Ontario Heritage Act

May 6, 2021

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#### Condition Assessment and Conservation Strategy Report

Issued March 15, 2023 Revised June 2, 2023

Exterior Masonry Openings Report of Findings (Facet Group Inc.)

Issued May 29, 2023

#### **Exterior Paint Removal**

February, 2023

#### **Reconstruction Plan**

Issued December 8, 2023





## **ORIGINAL APPROACH**

- The proposed conservation approach for the building was rehabilitation
- In-situ retention of the heritage facades along King Street West and Strachan Avenue
- Removal of the remainder of the building from a point 4.5 m from the property line to accommodate construction of a new mixed-use development
- Reconstruct 4.5m of the return (east and north) facades using salvaged material
- Reconstruct masonry chimneys, roof structure, and slate roof
- Lowerground floor openings to provide for universal accessibility



South Elevation, Conservation Plan, 2022



West Elevation, Conservation Plan, 2022



## **MASONRY CONDITION**



Contrast between former fine mortar joints (right) and saw-cut joints

Visible gouging on stone due to power washing

Stone delamination due to weathering



## **MASONRY CONDITION**



Field-view showing overcut joints, repointing with concrete, loss of stone and brick faces.

Poorly cut out brick joints, and loss of brick Poorly cut out brick joints, and loss of brick faces faces





## **REVISED APPROACH**

The updated proposed approach for the project is rehabilitation, involving:

- Documentation of the building
- Dismantling and rebuilding of the prominent heritage facades along King Street West and Strachan Avenue, and 4.5m of return walls (east and north)
- Using new materials that will visually match existing to accommodate construction of the new fourteen-storey mixed-use development
- Intact character defining stone masonry and metal elements – identified in the Reconstruction Plan – will be salvaged, repaired, and reused within their original composition on the facades



South Elevation Lighting Plan, Reconstruction Plan, 2023



West Elevation Lighting Plan, Reconstruction Plan, 2023





#### DOCUMENTATION



3D LiDAR scan of existing building, South Facade, captured 2023



3D LiDAR scan of existing building, West Facade, captured 2023

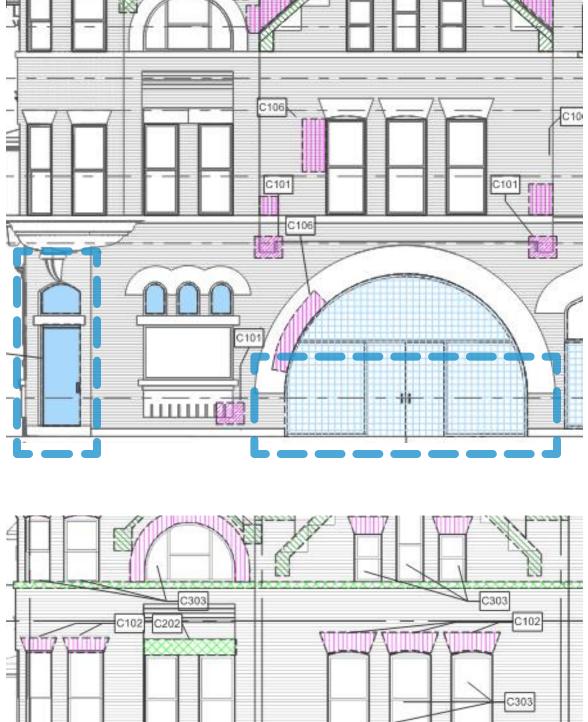




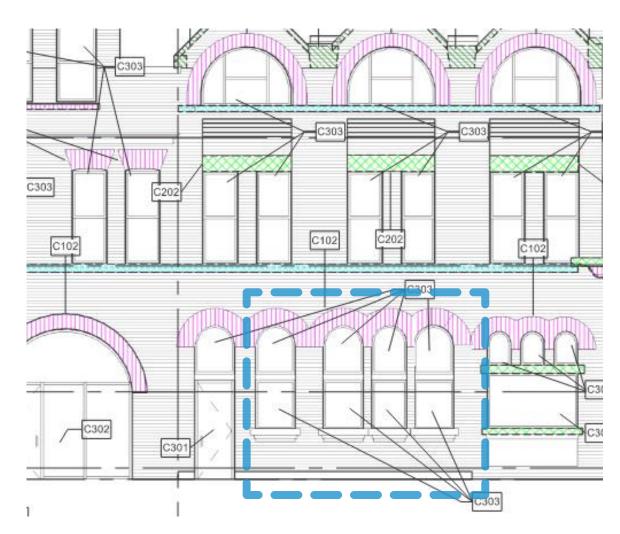
## **PROPOSAL ENHANCEMENTS**

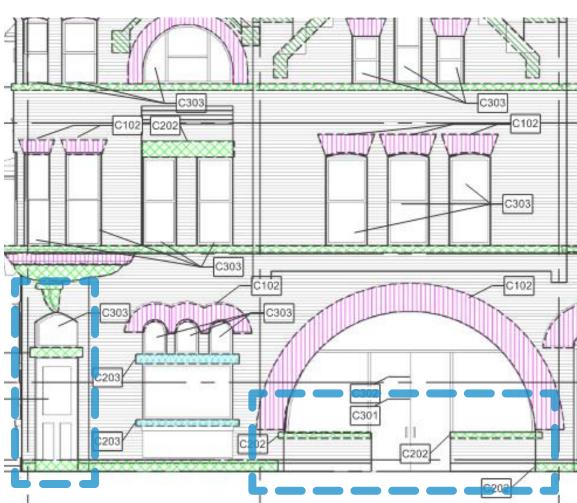
**ORIGINAL PROPOSA** 

# **REVISED PROPOSAL**















#### **PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT**



Reconstructed heritage facade with proposed development behind. Note: rendering does not reflect proposed enhancements.



