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Queen Street East – Leslieville: Properties recommended for inclusion on the City's Heritage Register

This notice is to advise you that City Planning staff have completed a review of properties that were identified within the Leslieville Urban Design Guidelines as having potential heritage value, and will be recommending 54 properties for inclusion on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register as "listed" properties. The addresses of these properties is contained on the back of this notice.

The Leslieville Urban Design Guidelines, adopted by City Council on May 27, 2014, were the result of a study of Queen Street East between Jimmie Simpson Park and Leslie Street. The study was initiated to develop urban design guidelines that respect the area's unique character and take into account community objectives. Historic research and a heritage survey were completed as part of the Queen Street East/Leslieville Planning Study, including a list of potential heritage properties.

Over the last year, at the direction of City Council, City Planning staff have been reviewing past heritage surveys, including the Queen Street East/Leslieville Planning Study, with the goal of recommending properties for listing on the City's Heritage Register. As a result of this review, City Planning will recommend 54 properties in the Queen Street East-Leslieville area for inclusion on the Heritage Register. A list of those properties is included below. All of the properties recommended for listing have been individually evaluated to ensure they meet one or more provincial criteria for determining cultural heritage value or interest and that they contribute to the historic context. Throughout the Planning Study significant efforts were made to inform and engage the local communities and all studies were reviewed and adopted by Council:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2014.TE33.14>

Heritage surveys and register listings allow City Planning to be proactive and transparent about where heritage resources are located. They also provide an opportunity to identify and communicate individual and contextual values of properties and to describe their contribution to an area's heritage character or history. Properties with heritage value are placed on the heritage register in order to provide interim protection should a property owner seek demolition.

Heritage Planning is finalizing a report for Council and consideration at forthcoming meetings of the Toronto Preservation Board and the Toronto and East York Community Council. As soon as the timing of the report is confirmed, you will receive further notices of the meeting agendas.

What does being "listed" on the Heritage Register mean?

Our city's heritage resources help define our unique sense of place, support cohesive and resilient communities, and contribute to environmental sustainability through adaptive re-use. Growth and conservation are not mutually exclusive; all of the surveyed areas have been previously reviewed with a view to accommodating growth and change.

A "listed" property has no legal protection under the Ontario Heritage Act; the only change for a property owner is that they will need to provide 60 days' notice when applying for a demolition permit, or prepare a Heritage Impact Assessment when submitting a planning application.

When a property is listed it does not necessarily mean that it will be subsequently “designated” under the Ontario Heritage Act. Listed means further evaluation of the property will take place.

"Listing" a property does not change the existing building permit process - it does not restrict an owner's ability to make exterior and interior alterations, when demolition is not involved. It does not trigger maintenance requirements over and above existing property standards

If you have questions about the properties being recommended for listing on the Heritage Register, or about what "listing" means, please contact:

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Properties recommended for inclusion on the City's Heritage Register within the Leslieville Planning Study Area

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