

Appendix A: Draft 2024 Brantford Heritage Committee Priorities

1.0 Heritage Register Alternatives

Description: Proceed with the alternatives to the Heritage Register Project as approved by Council (refer to [Report 2023-153](#)), specifically: (1) research properties in Priority Group A for designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* and (2) consult with certain neighbourhoods for interest in designation under Part V of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Goals: (1) complete sufficient research to recommend 2 - 3 properties be designated by Council, and (2) report back to Council by the end of the year with the results of public consultation about potential districts.

Staff involvement: Staff will coordinate (1) property research received from Committee members for Part IV designation candidates with BHC input and reporting to Council, and (2) will coordinate neighbourhood consultation for Part V neighbourhood candidates.

Budget: \$25,528 remaining in a dedicated account, refer Report 2023-153

2.0 Sustaining Prominence Point

Description: The Prominence Point Subcommittee and Brantford Heritage Committee have recommended Constable Hickey be recognized on Prominence Point. Council will consider the matter on December 19th. A budget line will be requested to update a plaque in 2024.

Goals: Prominence Point Subcommittee will meet in 2024 as needed to assist with the nomination of Constable Hickey and with any new nominations put forward.

Staff involvement: Staff will coordinate with the Prominence Point Subcommittee and Brantford Heritage Committee as necessary.

Budget: \$7,650

3.0 Development of the Committee: Attending the Ontario Heritage Conference

Description: selected members will attend the 2024 Ontario Heritage Conference in Gravenhurst to learn about heritage matters across the province.

Goals: Have any members who attend the conference report back to Committee on the details of the conference and share what they learned.

Staff Involvement: coordinating conference registration.

Budget: \$1,500

4.0 Heritage Grant Program

Description: The Heritage Grant Program provides financial assistance to owners of designated properties to support projects that preserve heritage buildings. The Heritage Committee will review applications to the program through 2023. Consider strategies for adaptive reuse incentives.

Goals: Provide financial assistance to property owners and provide feedback to Staff.

Staff Involvement: Administer the Heritage Grant Program and report to Council on any new program recommendations.

Budget: \$42,425.91 remaining in a dedicated account, refer to [Report 2023-634](#).

5.0 Heritage Procedures Review

Description: Review heritage procedures as detailed in [Report 2023-634](#). Reviewing and improving procedures could also help dedicate more time to Heritage Register Alternatives.

Goals: Update procedures to reflect legislative amendments and to improve processes for applicants.

Staff Involvement: Draft and consult Brantford Heritage Committee with respect to procedures before reporting to Council.

Budget: n/a.