

## **Appendix H: Council Resolution (March 3, 2020) of Support for the Brant Historical Society**

WHEREAS City Council passed By-law 6-85 on January 21, 1985 which designated the Crystal Cottage, located at 35 Chatham Street, under the Ontario Heritage Act as having architectural and historical value or interest; and

WHEREAS the Crystal Cottage displays unique architectural features such as one course of green glass bottles located above arch radiating voissors over windows and entranceway, enclosed in one layer of red brick top and bottom and the name "Crystal Cottage" ornamentally inset in the gable of the cottage; and

WHEREAS an application by Market Street Developments Inc., to amend the Zoning By-law and for Site Plan approval has been received by the Planning Department for lands on Market Street which also includes 35 Chatham Street, for the redevelopment of an Apartment Building with ground floor commercial uses; and

WHEREAS the preservation of the City's designated and architecturally significant and historical buildings is a key objective of City Council and preventing demolition of designated properties is to be avoided; and

WHEREAS Market Street Developments Inc. has agreed to sell the Crystal Cottage to the Brant Historical Society for \$10 and they have further agreed to relocate the Crystal Cottage, at their own expense, to a vacant lot known as 53 Charlotte Street, with the owner (Brant Historical Society) agreeing to pay at their own expense for the site grading and site works, servicing connections and related work to receive the Crystal Cottage; and

WHEREAS the relocating of the Crystal Cottage to 53 Charlotte Street will include municipal approvals including but not limited to an application for site alteration, re-designation under the Ontario Heritage Act, an application for a minor variance to recognize deficient parking on site or the payment of cash-in lieu of parking, road closure costs, possible costs to address overhead hydro lines, and street tree removals; and,

WHEREAS, the Brant Historical Society will be providing a site for the future protection of the Crystal Cottage and are unable to pay the above-noted municipal approvals fees; and

WHEREAS the City of Brantford has a rich history and many cultural and built heritage assets that contribute significantly to civic pride, quality of life and tourism potential within the local community; and

WHEREAS the City of Brantford endeavors to support local not-for-profit heritage organizations financially through the Community Cultural Investment Program, Cultural and Built Heritage Funding Program, and City Grants; and

WHEREAS the approved City of Brantford Economic Development and Tourism Strategy (2016) supports the continued implementation of the Municipal Cultural Plan in order to increase the creative capacity of the city and further develop local arts, culture and heritage opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Brant Historical Society is unable to pay for the construction of a sound foundation and related work identified below for the relocation of the Crystal Cottage; and

WHEREAS intake for the Cultural and Built Heritage Funding Program does not open until May 1, 2020 with first installments of grants typically issued in Q3;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT Council waive all municipal permit and application fees that the Brant Historical Society may incur in the relocation of the Crystal Cottage to 53 Charlotte Street; and
- B. THAT \$50,000 BE ALLOCATED to the Brant Historical Society from the Council Priorities Reserve to be used for eligible costs related to the relocation of the Crystal Cottage; where eligible costs are third party costs for parts and labour for:
  - i. Site work, tree removal, landfill or any debris;
  - ii. Site servicing, installation, and connections for water, sanitary, electrical, and gas;
  - iii. Pouring the concrete foundation and insulating the foundation;
  - iv. Replacing the basement doors, stairs, and windows;
  - v. Replacing the HVAC or furnace;
  - vi. Installing an electrical panel;
  - vii. Obtaining permits and inspections;
  - viii. Site grading and landscaping (including sod); and
  - ix. Constructing a driveway
- C. THAT, subject to execution of a Cultural and Built Heritage Funding Program Grant Agreement, in a form approved by the City Solicitor or designate, the Brant Historical Society BE ALLOCATED up to \$50,000 (less ineligible HST) from the Cultural and Built Heritage Reserve (RF0570) in lieu of a formal application to the

2020-2021 Cultural and Built Heritage Grant Program, to be used for items outlined in section b) of this resolution, and to be paid upon completion of the project and submission of a final report, as required by the Grant Agreement; and

- D. THAT the General Manager, Community Development, EXECUTE the Grant Agreement in accordance with the Execution of Routine Documents By-law.
- E. THAT a letter of appreciation BE SENT to the developer on behalf of Brantford City Council.