

**The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes**  
**Kawartha Lakes Municipal Heritage Committee Report**  
**Report Number KLMHC2020-17**

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**Meeting Date:** September 10, 2020

**Title:** Old Mill Heritage Conservation District Study Update

**Description:** Update on current status of the Old Mill Heritage Conservation District Study

**Ward Number:** 5 and 7

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**Recommendation(s):**

**That** Report KLMHC2020-17, **Old Mill Heritage Conservation District Study Update**, be received; and

**That** an Old Mill HCD Study Subcommittee be formed to participate in the study process.

## **Background:**

At the Council Meeting of June 23, 2020 Council adopted the following resolution:

**That** Report ED2020-009, **Proposed Old Mill Heritage Conservation District Study**, be received;

**That** staff be authorized to proceed with a Heritage Conservation District Study of the Old Mill neighbourhood in Lindsay; and

**That** the Old Mill Heritage Conservation District Study area be within the boundary identified in Appendix C to Report ED2020-009.

## **Carried**

Staff have since commenced the proposed study. This report provides an update for the Municipal Heritage Committee on the progress of the study to date and next steps.

## **Rationale:**

As the study progresses, the Municipal Heritage Committee and its members will have a significant role in its development. The following is a summary of the study progress to date, different groups that have been formed to assist with the development of the study and community engagement.

**Current Progress:** The study is currently in its very early stages. Some preliminary historic research has been undertaken on the study area in general. Property surveys are being planned for the fall. These will likely take place in October.

A tentative timeline for the study is attached as Appendix A.

**Community Meetings:** The first community meetings were held on August 13 and August 18 on Zoom. These meetings provided an overview of the study process for property owners and a chance for questions and answer. Staff are intending on holding two additional public engagement sessions in November/December 2020 and March/April 2021. These engagement sessions will be more interactive and provide the community with a greater opportunity for input.

**Jump In and Public Engagement:** An project page has been launched for the HCD study on Jump In, the City's online public engagement platform. The page includes several surveys that members of the public can participate in, an interactive map, and resources and news regarding the study's progress. The

page will be updated as the study progresses and additional information and public engagement pieces become available.

**Community Advisory Group:** A Community Advisory Group has been formed for the Old Mill study comprised of residents from the local area. A terms of reference has been created for the group which states that it may contain up to 12 community members. The group will meet several times throughout the study to provide more in depth feedback than in the community engagement sessions. Ideally, one or two representatives from the Municipal Heritage Committee will also participate in this group.

**Historical Research Group:** A historical research group is being formed to help undertake research on properties throughout the district. This is an informal group and is open to anyone who would like to contribute to the historic research for the study. Participants can undertake as much or as little research work as they would like.

**Canopy Survey Group:** A canopy survey group has been formed to help undertake a canopy and vegetation survey in the study area. This is an informal group and is open to anyone who would like to participate.

**Internal Technical Group:** An internal staff group has been formed to help guide the study and provide comment and input as it progresses. The group is comprised of staff from Economic Development, Planning, Building, Parks, Recreation and Culture, Housing, and Clerk's. The group met for the first time on August 25 and will continue to meet throughout the study, as well as provide input on policy direction and the study as it is drafted.

**First Nations Consultation:** Staff reached out to all Williams Treaty First Nations at the beginning of the study to invite input and undertake consultation if desired. Staff have met informally with Scugog Island First Nation who are interested in participating in the study process and will continue to work with them throughout the process. No response has been received from other Williams Treaty First Nations.

**Stakeholder Consultation:** Staff reached out to a number of key local stakeholders at the beginning of the study process to inform them that the study was going to be taking place, to invite input, and to let them know that individual meetings could be arranged to discuss the study, if desired. Staff have communicated with St. Mary's Church and will be holding follow up discussions with them.

**Old Mill HCD Subcommittee:** Ideally, the Municipal Heritage Committee should form a subcommittee for the HCD study. The subcommittee will undertake more in-depth discussions of the study's progress and participate more actively in

research and community consultation. The subcommittee should ideally be composed of 3 to 5 members.

### **Other Alternatives Considered:**

There are no recommended alternatives.

### **Financial/Operation Impacts:**

There are no financial implications resulting from the recommendations of this report.

### **Consultations:**

N/A

### **Attachments:**

Appendix A – Old Mill HCD Study Timeline



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