

## **Report of Built Heritage Experts Panel**

March 11, 2020 12:00 p.m. Conference Room A, 4th Floor City Hall

Present: Glenn Barnes, Chairperson

Bruce Blackwood, Contractor Garnet Kindervater, Contractor

Rachel Fitkowski, Landscape Architect

Mark Whalen, Architecture

Regrets: Dawn Boutilier, Planner

Staff: Ken O'Brien, Chief Municipal Planner

Ann Marie Cashin, Heritage and Urban Planner

Rob Schamper, Technical Advisor Maureen Harvey, Legislative Assistant

## 2020 Heritage Financial Incentives Program

The Panel considered the information presented with respect to the Heritage Conservation Grant and agreed that residents wishing to maintain existing wrought iron fences and its impact on heritage throughout the City.

There are two types of Financial Incentives offered: Heritage Maintenance Grant and the Heritage Conservation Grant.

Under the current program, fences, outbuildings and landscaping are not eligible for assistance. Some citizens have asked the City to allow financial assistance for historic wrought iron fences given the associated cost to replace such fences, and that there are few wrought iron fences remaining. If wrought iron fences are to be included in the Heritage Financial Incentives Program, the grants could be limited to properties with existing historic wrought iron fences and only include fences along a

public street. New installations of wrought iron fences where they did not previously exist would not be included.

Wrought iron fences would be best included in the Heritage Conservation Grant only, which could issue a grant of 25% of the material and labour costs to a maximum of \$1,000 per building, per calendar year

Recommendation
Moved By Bruce Blackwood
Seconded By Garnet Kindervater

That Council include maintenance of existing wrought iron fences as part of the Heritage Conservation Grant which could issue a grant of 25% of the material and labour costs to a maximum of \$5,000 per building, per calendar year.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
GLENN BARNES, CHAIR