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Comments Please find our attached letter

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## In reference to the Civic Operations in the North Downtown Report:

The Heritage Society has an interest in the development of the North Downtown and has participated in the original Master Plan of 2014.

We became aware of the current information report being considered by the Planning, Development and Community Services Standing Committee only very recently. We have some concerns.

The report states that, apart from the Financial Implications, there are no other implications or considerations. One of the Policies in the recently adopted OCP - under Heritage Conservation, 4.2 – states that consideration is to be given to "the impact of heritage resources and opportunities for heritage conservation in the review of Sector Plans, Concept Plans ... and other planning documents".

At the very least, this report should provide for an inventory of heritage assets in the area and ensure that consideration of heritage assets be included in the "Implications" section.

We are particularly concerned about the status of the John Deere Building. This 1910 warehouse – we believe it to be the oldest in the city - is a well-known landmark and part of a diminishing number of warehouses which played such an important role in solidifying Saskatoon as a major distribution centre during the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The City deemed it of sufficient interest to include it in the Doors Open event of 2017.

The OCP is clear in the importance of encouraging conservation of our built heritage. This is repeated in the City Centre Plan.

Please include heritage conservation implications and considerations when considering North Downtown development and any other development.

Peggy Sarjeant

Saskatoon Heritage Society