

## Heritage Action Items Summary – October 2022

The following table presents the current status of Heritage Action Items identified in the Heritage Policy and Program Review (2012) and status of work on each item.

<b>Heritage Plan Progress - 2021</b>		
<b>Category</b>	<b>Action Item</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>City History</b>	Confirm the City's leadership role in this significant area of public policy and inform the public of its intentions to achieve high heritage standards.	Ongoing
	Explore current best practices (e.g. City of Montreal and New York "Places Matter") in the treatment of a broader range of heritage resources.	Completed – to be updated
	Explore municipal best practice heritage policies regarding sustainability, economic revitalization, tourism and affordable housing.	Outstanding
	Integrate heritage initiatives with broader civic goals of economic development, sustainability, quality of life, affordable housing initiatives and neighbourhood planning in all aspects of the municipal planning framework. Revise or develop the City's policy framework to consistently reference what is "heritage" and how it will be conserved	Ongoing
<b>The City as a Property Owner</b>	Prepare Conservation Plans and Maintenance Agreements for City-owned heritage sites, based on the Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada.	Outstanding
	Review the protection, management, programming and interpretation of City-owned heritage and potential heritage properties.	Outstanding
	Provide other Departments with the training and resources to adopt proper heritage conservation procedures for City-owned heritage sites.	Outstanding
	Identify and evaluate the full range of City-owned heritage resources, including cultural and natural landscapes	Ongoing
	Undertake the development of a city-wide thematic framework and a historical context statement that will support the evaluation of Saskatoon's heritage resources	Outstanding
<b>The Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee</b>	Evaluate the ability for the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee to have an initiating role in bringing issues forward to Council.	Complete
	In consultation with the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee, the Heritage Coordinator should lead in implementing heritage strategies and actions identified in the Heritage Policy and Program Review	Ongoing
	Revise the wording of the Heritage Property (Approval of Alterations) Bylaw No. 8356 to exempt repairs and minor alterations from referral to the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee.	Complete

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<b>Heritage Evaluation</b>	Adopt the Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada as the basis for all City heritage initiatives and as the basis for all heritage permit applications and the granting of incentives.	Complete
	Provide City staff and Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee with the training and resources to fully understand the use of the Standards and Guidelines	Ongoing – Need to establish Process for Formal Training
	Provide improved training and resources for Building Standards staff in the proper application of Standards and Guidelines as well as in flexible responses to the application of building codes and standards in heritage situations.	Outstanding
	Review the City's existing heritage evaluation criteria and replace the numerical analysis component with values-based criteria and the use of Statements of Significance	Complete
	Require Statements of Significance as the basis of any building/development permit application or review of proposed interventions to heritage sites	Complete
<b>Heritage Inventory</b>	Establish the Saskatoon Heritage Register by Council Resolution, which will initially include identified heritage sites. Ensure that the Heritage Register is consistently referenced in the City's policy framework.	Complete
	Initiate an evaluation of the Built Heritage Database, to identify the sites of highest heritage value that can be included on the Register.	Complete
	Make the Heritage Register available on the City of Saskatoon's website.	Complete
	Use the Heritage Register as the basis for eligibility for heritage conservation incentives.	Complete
	Identify heritage resources other than buildings such as cultural landscapes that can be included on the Register.	Complete
	As it is developed, use the Saskatoon Heritage Register as the basis for flagging procedures on the municipal database.	Complete
	Continue to identify built, natural and cultural heritage resources using an expanded definition of heritage and heritage conservation.	Ongoing
<b>Incentives</b>	Undertake a review of a range of potential new heritage incentives, including mechanisms for developers to leverage abatements towards securing financing for conservation efforts, providing Statements of Significance and establishing grants for the ongoing maintenance of heritage buildings.	Ongoing

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	Review the application of building codes and standards on heritage projects. Consult with the Province of Saskatchewan regarding the provision of flexible exemptions and equivalencies. Determine if appropriate equivalencies and exemptions can be consistently offered on heritage projects.	Outstanding
	Undertake economic case studies of previous heritage incentive packages, determine how effective they were in achieving conservation outcomes, what would be required to improve the heritage response and the resulting community benefit.	Outstanding
<b>Education &amp; Awareness</b>	Realize heritage awareness through public programming, including commemoration, interpretation and public art, as well as the ongoing development of community partnerships.	Ongoing
	Support and increase the profile of Saskatoon's Heritage Awards Program by advertising the program details and award recipients.	Ongoing
	Develop a consistent brand and image for the City's interpretation initiatives.	Complete
	Encourage collaborations between heritage organizations and schools to enhance the teaching of local history.	Outstanding
	Develop a full range of partnership opportunities.	Outstanding
	Make historical information available through a variety of means to enhance public awareness and understanding of local history and heritage resources.	Ongoing
	Continue partnership initiatives to implement a program of interpretive features, such as commemorative plaques and signs throughout the city for built, natural and cultural heritage using common themes such as pioneer settlement, Indigenous settler relations and river history, as well as more recent historical themes such as post-World War II immigration and the boom-and-bust economy.	Outstanding
<b>Neighbourhood Heritage Resource and Heritage Conservation Districts</b>	Support enhanced conservation of neighbourhood heritage character through the Local Area Plan process and ensure heritage conservation policies are appropriately referenced and potential heritage properties are recognized as plans for heritage neighbourhoods are updated.	Ongoing
	Build upon historic integrity and infrastructure when developing infill plans for historic neighbourhoods. Ensure the inclusion of mechanisms that will provide incentives for the retention of historic resources.	Ongoing
	Support affordable housing policies through continued and adaptive re-use of existing housing stock.	Outstanding

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	Identify, and where appropriate, establish Heritage Conservation Districts as a way of recognizing a wide number and type of heritage resources.	Outstanding
<b>Cultural Landscapes</b>	Identify heritage resources other than buildings such as cultural landscapes that can be included on the Register.	Ongoing
	Identify and evaluate the full range of City-owned heritage resources, including cultural and natural landscapes.	Ongoing
	Continue to identify built, natural and cultural heritage resources using an expanded definition of heritage and heritage conservation.	Ongoing
<b>Artifacts</b>	Work with partners to ensure artifacts are identified and conserved.	Ongoing
	Support the public display of artifacts where appropriate for the enjoyment of Saskatoon residents.	Ongoing