



October 29, 2020

Lorraine Dooley

Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism
and Culture Industries - Culture Policy Unit
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Toronto, ON, M7A 0A7

RE: [ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT \(BILL 108\) PROPOSED REGULATIONS \(16.11\)](#)

[Appendix A – Summary Chart of Markham’s Comments/Feedback](#)

Dear Ms. Dooley;

This will confirm that at a meeting held on October 27, 2020, the Markham City Council adopted the following resolution:

1. That the report titled “*Ontario Heritage Act* (Bill 108) – Proposed Regulation”, dated October 26, 2020, be received; and,
2. That the report including Appendix ‘A’ - Summary Chart of Markham’s Comments/Feedback be submitted to the Province as the City of Markham’s response to the Environmental Registry request for comment; and,
3. That the Province be advised that to proceed with implementation of these changes (proclamation of new legislation and the proposed Regulation) on January 1, 2021, which will require substantive changes to municipal protocols and procedures during a pandemic, imposes an unreasonable burden on stakeholders whose focus should be on responding to this unprecedented health challenge, and therefore proclamation should be postponed to July 1, 2021; and,
4. That if the Conservation Review Board (CRB) is replaced by the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) as the ultimate appeal body for municipal decisions related to the designation, amendment, repeal, or alteration of a heritage property under the *Ontario Heritage Act*, the Province ensure that Tribunal members assigned to such appeals possess appropriate expertise in cultural heritage matters and an appropriate understanding of the *Ontario Heritage Act*; and further,
5. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Should you have any questions, please contact Regan Hutcheson at rhutcheson@markham.ca

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kimberley Kitteringham', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Kimberley Kitteringham
City Clerk