Inventory & Research Working Group (IRWG)

Meeting Notes Special Meeting – March 18, 2022 (10:00am-11:00am) City of Hamilton WebEx Virtual Meeting

Present:	Janice Brown (Chair); Lyn Lunsted; Graham Carroll; Alissa Denham- Robinson
Staff Present:	Alissa Golden (Heritage Project Specialist); Amber Knowles (Cultural Heritage Planner)
Guests:	Carol Priamo (Beasley Neighbourhood Association)
Regrets:	Chuck Dimitry; Jim Charlton

NOTES

1. Chair's Remarks

Janice welcomed all present to this special meeting to deal with the community-led Beasley Inventory project.

2. Beasley Inventory - Batches 4 and 5

Alissa G gave an introduction on the draft recommendations for review from Batches 4 and 5 of the Beasley Inventory project, which are the final batches for IRWG's consideration. Summaries of the draft recommendations were provided to the members in advance of the meeting organized by batch, including Batch 4 (Cathcart, Elgin, Murray, Robert and Wellington Streets) and Batch 5 (Barton and Cannon Streets). Alissa G also gave the members a refresher on the history of this community-led inventory project, which began in 2020.

Carol gave PowerPoint presentation summarizing the findings and recommendations of the two batches, indicating that 197 properties were being recommended for listing on the Register, including 2 Significant Built Resources, 43 Character-Defining Resources and 151 Character-Supporting Resources. Carol provided an overview of the historical context of the neighbourhood as well as the domestic architecture characteristics and building types and styles found within the area. She then presented a high-level summary of the different property classifications by Batch.

Following Carol's presentation, the IRWG members pulled out a few properties for further discussion, including 111 and 113 Cannon Street East, 12-16 Murray Street East, 49 Murray Street East and 73-77 Robert Street. Carol and Alissa G discussed the rationale for the classification and recommendations for these properties, specifically why some were identified as Character-Defining Resources and others Character-Supporting Resources. The IRWG did not recommend any changes to the proposed classifications.

The Batch 4 and 5 findings were received by the Inventory and Research Working Group, which was supportive of the proposed classifications and recommendations for listing on the Register, as presented.

Alissa G advised that staff will now be preparing a staff report addressing the recommendations for Batches 2 through 5, which have been reviewed and supported by IRWG, for consideration by the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee at an upcoming meeting. Staff will also be preparing notices to the affected owners in advance of their consideration by HMHC.

3. Meeting Adjourned: 11:05AM

4. Next Meeting: March 28, 2022