THE HAMILTON MUNICIPAL HERITAGE COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 09-004 TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE AND RESPECTFULLY ADVISES AND REQUESTS:

1. All Saints Church and Rectory, 15 Queen Street South, Hamilton – request to consider the possibilities for adaptive re-uses (Item 8.4)

That the following resolution be forwarded to Council and the Anglican Diocese of Niagara:

Whereas the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee recognizes the architectural, cultural and contextual significance of All Saints’ Anglican Church, and
Whereas All Saints’ Anglican Church, designed by Hamilton architect, William Leith and built in 1872, is a fine example of the late Victorian interpretation of early English Gothic country churches, and

Whereas the Rectory and Sunday School of All Saints’ Anglican Church, built in 1891, were designed by Hamilton architect, James Balfour, and

Whereas the stained glass windows of All Saints’ Anglican Church were designed by the internationally acclaimed firm of Robert McCausland Company, and

Whereas All Saints’ Anglican Church was founded as a mission church of Christ’s Church Anglican Cathedral and was the mother church of two churches designated under the Ontario Heritage Act, St. Mark’s on Bay St. and St. George’s at Tom and Strathcona, and

Whereas All Saints’ Anglican Church was the site of the first Synod of the Diocese of Niagara in 1875, and

Whereas All Saints’ Anglican Church has unique historical associations with late nineteenth century community builders including Senator Samuel Mills, who financed its construction, Thomas and Helen Leather, and Senator Donald MacInnes, and

Whereas the scale and construction of All Saints’ Anglican Church and its related buildings add significant visual and historical interest to its important corner location strategically sited at the intersection of King St. W. and Queen St. S., and

Whereas the All Saints’ Anglican Church complex stands as a marker of the later nineteenth century phase of downtown Hamilton development;

Now therefore the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee respectfully advises Council and the Anglican Diocese of Niagara of the heritage value of All Saints’ Anglican Church;

Further Hamilton City Council has made a commitment to conserve and protect Hamilton’s built heritage;

Further in the last decade, a record of ecclesiastical adaptive re-use has developed in major Canadian centres such as Toronto, Brantford and Ottawa, including the Glebe Lofts, formerly Riverdale Presbyterian Church at 660 Pape Ave., Toronto, the Abbey Lofts, formerly Howard Park United Church at
384 Sunnyside Ave., Toronto, and the Church Lofts, formerly Centennial United Church at 701 Dovercourt Rd., Toronto;

**Further** the American organization, Partners for Sacred Places ([www.sacredplaces.org](http://www.sacredplaces.org)), is an excellent source of practical and imaginative solutions geared towards the preservation of historic churches and the revitalization of congregations;

**Further** the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee would encourage the Anglican Diocese of Niagara and the congregation of All Saints’ Anglican Church to fully examine the possibility of adaptive re-use of buildings on the All Saints’ Anglican Church site;

**Further** the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee would welcome the opportunity to continue this dialogue with the Anglican Diocese of Niagara and the congregation of All Saints’ Anglican Church.

2. **Correspondence from Linda Muir and Peter Hyland respecting traffic problems on Mill Street, Waterdown, copy hereto attached as Appendix A.** (Added Item 8.7)

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the Ward Councillor and to Public Works staff for a report to the Public Works Committee.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE

(a) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)**

George Zajac declared a conflict with respect to Item 8.4 respecting All Saints Church and Rectory as one of the principals is his client.

Councillor Bratina declared an interest with respect to Item 8.4 respecting All Saints Church and Rectory as he has had discussions with the Parish and with the proponents and has taken a position with respect to this issue.

(b) **All Saints Anglican Church, 15 Queen Street South, Hamilton**

(i) **Heritage Evaluation Statement, All Saints Anglican Church, 15 Queen Street South, Hamilton (Ward 5) – (D. Cuming) (Item 8.4)**

David Cuming provided a brief overview of the background respecting this site and of the staff memorandum included in the agenda which outlines why the *Heritage Evaluation Statement* received by staff does not satisfy the requirements for a heritage impact assessment.
On a motion (Pearson/Adkins), Committee approved the staff recommendation as follows:

That the staff memoranda dated November 6 and November 16 2009, and the accompanying *Heritage Evaluation Statement* be received by the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee and that any further revisions or amendments to the *Heritage Evaluation Statement* be forwarded by staff to the Policy and Design Subcommittee for review and comment.

(ii) **Motion from Anne Charlton requesting that the possibilities for adaptive re-uses of All Saints Anglican Church, 15 Queen Street South, Hamilton be considered (Added Item 8.4(a))**

Anne Charlton presented a motion respecting All Saints Church and advised that it is one of the first four Anglican churches built in Hamilton and all of the other three churches have been designated.

A discussion followed on how the motion would fit in with the staff memorandum. The Committee amended the motion by removing the word “all” before the word “building” in the second last paragraph and approved the motion as amended and as outlined in Item 1 of this Report.

Respectfully submitted,

Art French, Chair
Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee

Ida Bedioui
Legislative Assistant
Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee
November 26, 2009
From: Peter  
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2009 1:39 PM  
To: Bedioui, Ida  
Subject: Mill St., Waterdown  

attn; Hamilton Municipal Heritage Society  

We have concerns about the level of traffic on Mill St. which is the heart of the designated Heritage area in Waterdown.

Up to 10 school buses, several times a day, use Mill St. to access schools north and west of Parkside.

There are several trucks a day using Mill St. as a convenient "truck route".

A recent (2008) traffic study found that the average daily traffic on Mill St., between Church and Hwy 5, to be 3500 vehicles. If you assume that most of that traffic is during daytime hours, this means a vehicle passes our houses approximately every 10 seconds!

The planned new north subdivision will only add to this already heavy traffic. We can't see drivers arriving at the planned circle, turning east, then north, then west, when they could go straight north on Mill St.

We feel that there are measures that should be taken now and hope that we can count on your support.

No empty buses on Mill St.
The police have agreed to monitor Mill St. for truck traffic, but we wonder how often?  
The best solution, we feel, is to discourage traffic. This could include more stop signs, speed bumps and one way areas. An advanced green signal light at Mill and Dundas, as traffic comes from the south, would encourage left turns.  
Any other suggestions would be welcome.

There is still a feeling of small town on our street and we know that the Heritage Committee expends great effort to keep it that way. Parents and children walk on the sidewalks. People sit on their front porches. We are afraid that this is being destroyed by the noise and pollution of constant heavy traffic and that the traffic will continue to worsen and destroy the atmosphere of our street if something is not done soon.

We hope that you will be able to help us and we look forward to your reply.  
Sincerely,  
Linda Muir & Peter Hyland