

October 18, 2020

Re: Heritage Inventory Removal – 56 Angus Crescent
Request to submit to the City Council Meeting of October 28, 2020

Your Worship and Members of City Council,

We support the application to remove the Bagshaw Residence from the Heritage Inventory and the proposed demolition of the property. This house backs Lavender Lane, the beautiful back alley located between Angus Crescent and Leopold Crescent. Our homes share the back alley with this house.

Since 2007, the residents sharing Lavender Lane have worked together to beautify the area and create a greater sense of community. We pride ourselves on the tidy alley filled with flowers and friendly neighbours. The vacant building, however, has become dilapidated and its poor physical condition sticks out among the neighbouring homes. We are not professionals, but the house appears to have many issues (hanging eaves, sagging roof, broken screens, apparent structural issues, etc). Suffice it to say, it hasn't been maintained for quite some time, and common sense says it will be expensive to repair and/or not financially feasible. Rather than walking past the house in its current state, or state of further disrepair, we would prefer to welcome a newly-built home and its residents. The tone of a run-down, vacant home at the opening of the alley is not one we, as neighbours who walk down this alley daily, enjoy.

We appreciate heritage homes and the diverse houses in this neighbourhood; however, the condition of this particular house does not add value to the block. The neighbourhood has seen a small number of new builds in the last few years, which have contributed to the on-going vibrance of the community. A new build in this location has the potential to improve the quality of the neighbourhood and welcomes even more diversity to its existing character. We, residents of this community and neighbours to the house in question, submit that the circumstances sufficiently support demolition of the building.

Thank you,



Amanda Schmeling
Lavender Lane Neighbour

This letter has been reviewed and approved by owners of the following residences:

13 Leopold Cr.
(address)
75 Leopold Cr.
(address)
69 Leopold Cr.
(address)

MS
(initials)
RS
(initials)
MO
(initials)