From: David Southern <

Sent: Tuesday, March 15, 2022 2:33 PM

To: Public Hearings

Subject: Support for Roberts Street Heritage Conservation Area

Hello City Council,

I received a notice of public hearing in the mail today.

I wanted to register my support for designating Robert Street as a Heritage Conservation Area. There are some lovely old houses in this area & it would be wonderful to see them protected.

Sincerely,

David Southern 801-335 Maitland St, Victoria V9A7E9 From: Jim Lee

Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2022 7:20 AM

To: Public Hearings

Subject: HCA Robert Street Bylaw No 22-026

To Mayor & Council:

It has been a number of years of working with City staff from the planning & heritage departments to finally get to this final stage & the adoption of the bylaw to officially designate Robert Street as a Heritage Conservation Area. This is a short block with a mix of rental apartments, strata condos & townhouses, a house that has been converted into 4 rental units and 12 single family homes.

In this small area there are four houses that have received City of Victoria Heritage designation so with this bylaw, it will protect the streetscape & the ambience for future generations to enjoy. With some of the larger homes or properties, additional housing can still be provided with conversions or garden units without destroying the unique neighbourhood feel. With 6 houses that are excluded, the guidelines under this bylaw will hopefully ensure that any alterations, additions or new construction will respect the character of the street as a whole. Concerns raised by homeowners in prior public hearings have, for the most part, been addressed & explained so that everyone understands how HCA designation could affect their properties.

I would like to express my appreciation for the time, work and research by City staff, especially John O'Reilly, Councillors Madoff & Loveday, to move this along despite delays due to Covid 19.

I fully support the adoption of this bylaw.

Yours truly,
Jim Lee
223 Robert Street