

14. Re: Letter dated April 17, 1973, from Mr. Jean-Pierre Daem  
Coach House - Kingsway at Royal Oak Avenue

Appearing on the Agenda for the May 7, 1973 meeting of Council is a letter from Mr. Jean-Pierre Daem, 3018 Carina Place, regarding the proposed preservation of an old coach house which is located at the intersection of Kingsway and Royal Oak Avenue. Following is a report from the Director of Planning regarding this matter:

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Chief Building Inspector and Director of Heritage Village be requested to study and comment on the desirability of relocating the subject building to the Heritage Village Museum.

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PLANNING DEPARTMENT

MAY 3, 1973

OUR FILE: RZ 68/72

RE: COACH HOUSE - KINGSWAY AT ROYAL OAK AVENUE  
LETTER FROM MR. DAEM DATED 17 APRIL, 1973

Appearing on the Agenda for May 7 is a submission from Mr. J. P. Daem relating to preservation of an existing building on a site at Royal Oak and Kingsway, recently rezoned to the C2 Commercial category and proposed for development of a new supermarket.


In satisfaction of one of the prerequisites to this rezoning, an undertaking was received to guarantee the removal of all existing structures from the site within six months of the effective date of the rezoning.

As reported, the historical significance of this building has been reported in recent articles in the Sun and Province newspapers. As to the building's physical condition, it has in recent years been used as quarters for a taxi dispatch office, the offices of a building maintenance firm, and residential apartments. Accordingly, because of the extensive conversions that have taken place, there is some question as to the value of the structure as it stands in terms of authenticity and architectural character.

The Department has contacted both the project architects and the manager of the Design and Construction Department of Canada Safeway Limited. We are advised that no demolition contract has yet been let for the buildings on the site, and that demolition is to form part of the general contract, scheduled to go to tender within a week. Full assurances have been given that no demolition work on this building will take place until Council has had opportunity to deal with the matter, and the developers have expressed willingness to allow relocation of the building to Heritage Village should preservation be desired.

It is recommended that the Chief Building Inspector and the officers of the Century Park Museum Association be asked to view the building and advise of the desirability of this building as an element of the Heritage Village complex, and practicality of such a move.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

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c.c. Chief Building Inspector  
Century Park Museum Association