

The Regimental Museum of The Lorne Scots (Peel, Dufferin and Halton Regiment)

HCol (Ret'd) William A. Adcock OMM CD Chair

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Committee of Council
The Corporation of the City of Brampton
Via the Office of the City Clerk
Email only

Dear Committee of Council

Re: Staff Report on the Proposal for "The City of Brampton-Lorne Scots Military Museum"

On behalf of the Regimental Museum of the Lorne Scots (Peel, Dufferin and Halton Regiment) I would like to thank City staff for their consultation process with respect to the proposal to create "The City of Brampton-Lorne Scots Military Museum" to be located in the vacant space at the Carnegie Library. More particularly, we thank Jayne Holmes, Acting Commissioner Public Works & Engineering, David Bottoni, Director, Building Design and Construction, and Sean Cressman, Manager, Building Design and Construction. We also thank Gary Collins of the Office of the Mayor for his ongoing advice to our committee.

We have been briefed with respect to the staff report on this proposal to come before you on April 14, 2021. We concur with the report and appreciate the extent in which we were invited to participate in its creation.

If approved by Committee of Council, and later the full Council, this proposal will create a community partnership between the City and the Lorne Scots. In relation to this particular project, this partnership may be new, but it is a manifestation of the ongoing partnership between The City and the Regiment that has existed since before Brampton was incorporated as a village. This new project will celebrate that fact.

The location of the new museum is also poignant. As you are aware the upper floor of the Carnegie Library has been vacant for many years. We can think of no better location than this Heritage Building to be used as a site to celebrate an important aspect of our history. In the housing of the Brampton Concert Band (another heritage institution of Brampton) and the City of Brampton-Lorne Scots Military Museum on the same premises, this building will become a Heritage destination in this city.

While this project will commemorate the past, it will also celebrate the present and educate future generations. It will be a resource centre for schools and youth groups in the area particularly cadets and other such organizations. It will also serve historians in their research of our archives as to the traditions of this city going back to pre-confederation days.

In celebrating the present, we honour the Mosaic that is Brampton. The Lorne Scots (Peel, Dufferin and Halton Regiment) is one of the most diverse units in Canada and truly representative of this community. Our planned displays will demonstrate this diversity both historically and in the present day. The composition of our Board of Directors for this Museum also reflects our community.

In closing, on behalf of the Regimental Museum of the Lorne Scots (Peel, Dufferin and Halton Regiment) I commend the staff report under your consideration with the certainty that you will look upon it with favor.

Going forward, I am available to you for any communications, and you may also refer to our Government and Community Liaison, Henry F Verschuren CD, whose contact information is a matter of record. Until such time, I remain:

Yours Truly

HCol (Ret'd) William A. Adcock OMM CD

Chair – The Regimental Museum of the Lorne Scots (Peel, Dufferin and Halton Regiment)