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Item No. 26 List of Historical Resources – Nomination of Hudson's Bay Company Store, 450 Portage Avenue

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On January 7, 2019, the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development concurred in the recommendation of the Historical Buildings and Resources Committee and submitted the following to Council:

1. That Hudson's Bay Company Store, 450 Portage Avenue be added to the List of Historical Resources, with the following character defining elements:

   Exterior:

   - Limestone clad, six-storey structure filling the north portion of the block on Portage Avenue between Memorial Boulevard and Vaughan Street, its three main facades facing west (Memorial Boulevard), east (Vaughan Street) and north (Portage Avenue) and its rear facade partially hidden by a parkade;
   - Canopy running along the east, west and north facades;
   - Metal base of beacon on roof; and
   - Its main floors with large display windows protected by a canopy, rounded northwest and northeast corners, five bronze framed entrances, upper floors with bays created by unfluted pilasters with Corinthian capitals, windows on all levels in rectilinear openings, cornice between fifth and sixth floors and parapet with balustrade.

   Interior:

   - Examples of reinforced concrete structural system;
   - Escalators;
   - Examples of the curved elevator lobby; and
   - Finishes of the main staircase.

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STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On January 7, 2019, the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development concurred in the recommendation of the Historical Buildings and Resources Committee and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

Councillor Klein asked to be recorded as having voted against the above motion, in accordance with Rule 47(7) of The Procedure By-law No. 50/2007.

Franco Perugini, VP, Associate General Counsel, Hudson's Bay Company, on behalf of the owner, submitted a communication dated December 20, 2018, in opposition to the matter.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On November 22, 2018, the Historical Buildings and Resources Committee recommended to the Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development, Heritage and Downtown Development that Hudson's Bay Company Store, 450 Portage Avenue be added to the List of Historical Resources, with the following character defining elements:

Exterior:

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (continued):

Interior:

- Examples of reinforced concrete structural system;
- Escalators;
- Examples of the curved elevator lobby; and
- Finishes of the main staircase.

The Historical Buildings and Resources Committee received a written submission from a representative on behalf of the owner, dated November 8, 2018, in opposition to the Hudson's Bay Company Store, 450 Portage Avenue, being added to the List of Historical Resources.