

HISTORIC NEIGHBOURHOOD STRATEGY

Recommended Action Plan, **Medium Priority**, updated to 1 November 2016

			Goals	Results to Date
1.0	Public and Private Property well kept.	a	City Property Standards:	By-law 2011-107 approved (Aug 2011).
		b	Property Standards:	Initial matters identified by neighbourhood associations dealt with. Action only on citizen complaint.
		c	Garbage and Graffiti: Ensure Public spaces are clear of garbage and graffiti.	First mural to cover area with graffiti, Owen St. South of Wellington. Very successful. More Public Art planned.
2.0	Infrastructure, including roads and sidewalks in good repair and support pedestrian accessibility	a	Roads: Increase maintenance and replacement schedule for roads in Historic Neighbourhoods, many of which are in a	Maintenance and upgrades face severe financial limitations, although some improvement under Federal Gov't Infrastructure funding.
		b	Boulevards: Prepare a streetscape plan for the creation and beautification of landscaped boulevards on key busy streets to calm vehicular traffic, where possible and where removal of healthy trees would not be required.	Staff report went to Council on 10 Jan 2011, adopted by Council 11-G-09. This report address different types of traffic calming measures for all streets in Barrie. Portable speed bumps in use in some places.
		c	Sidewalk Replacement: Identify stretches of sidewalk that require replacement and create a plan to replace these sections.	Maintenance and upgrades face severe financial limitations, although some improvement under Federal Gov't Infrastructure funding.
		d	Sidewalk Snow Clearing: Ensure sidewalks are correctly cleared of snow and properly de-iced in winter.	Currently being done by Operations Division and private contractors.
		e	Sidewalk Widening: Identify busy areas where sidewalks can be widened without loss of healthy tree cover.	Long term project.

3.0	City By-laws proactively enforced.	a	Noise By-laws: Proactively enforce the noise by-law in the downtown to reduce the negative impact of late-night entertainment establishments and modified motorcycles.	
		b	Overnight Parking: Use discretion in ticketing overnight parked cars in the downtown when there is little snow, especially after entertainment events and weekends.	Parking Strategy adopted in March 2012. Available on City website: <i>Doing Business/Planning and Development/Parking Strategy</i> .
		c	Residential Street Parking: Address concerns with residential street parking by looking at alternatives such as permit parking.	Parking Permits under consideration for Allandale to cope with parking when GO becomes all-day service. Residential permits issued for parking around beaches.
4.0	Residents have a strong sense of community and communicate with each other routinely and in an inclusive manner, addressing new ideas and challenges with enthusiasm and humour.	a	Association Support: Encourage and support the formation of neighbourhood associations as a means to support formal dialogue and interaction with the community.	Currently two strong neighbourhood associations: Allandale Neighbourhood Association (ANA) and Barrie Downtown Neighbourhood Association (BDNA). Through the HNS the formation of other neighbourhood associations is being encouraged.
		b	HNS Website: Maintain the HNS website as part of the ongoing implementation of this Strategy and as a communication tool for the community.	The web site has been updated with new contacts, links are now being directed to the staff contact in the Planning Department.