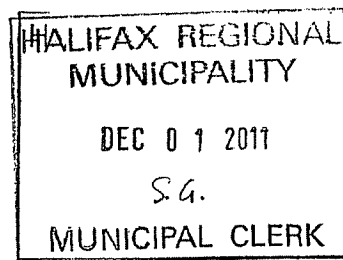


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December 1, 2011

Mr. Alan Parish, QC, Chair,
And Members of the Design Review Committee
Halifax Regional Municipality

Dear Alan and Committee Members:

Thank you for your recommendation in Case 16655.

I am writing to ask that the Heritage Trust be allowed to make an oral presentation on 1592 Barrington Street, if this matter comes before your committee.

As described at an information session last week, this proposal would involve the demolition of the Tip Top Tailors Building, a cubist structure. If the application goes forward as described, this would be the first demolition application in the new Barrington Street Heritage Conservation District. The Trust is also concerned that the proposed design would not respect the Heritage Building Conservation Standards and the Heritage Design Guidelines. In particular, it would not respect the cornice line and design of the abutting Church of England Institute. It risks placing a snow load on the skylight above the staircase in the Institute, which is owned by HRM, and in which the Trust is a tenant.

I hope you will agree to hear us, if this matter comes before you.

Yours sincerely,

Phil Pacey
Chair, HRM Committee
Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia