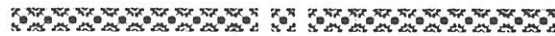


- Re items 5 & 6 [on the inaccessibility of city and corporate decision-making processes]: It's the **quality** of decisions that counts. Foreign investors are a scapegoat - the problem is civic government inability to channel development pressures toward community-benefitting ends. - MJ, Toronto
- 1. Retention of park space, open space, and urban wilderness. 2. Avoiding pseudo-historicism (e.g. downtown Unionville). 3. "Educating" politicians. - JRC, Toronto
- Toronto is so overbuilt downtown, which area can only be approached from the north, [that] traffic will soon be impossible, unless there is another north-south subway and another east-west subway, more parking at outlying subway stations (i.e. York Mills and on the Bloor line), and **more frequent** bus service. The pollution is harming buildings and is bak for people - public transportation is **essential** and it is **inadequate** now. The GO-train parking lots, in Brampton, Pickering and Rouge are now filled before 8 a.m. - so people are forced to drive - York Mills is filled by 8 a.m. - AH
- Lack of strong laws to protect heritage buildings and the heritage streetscape. I would also suggest
- Preservation and renovation. Tax credits to corporations and developers re: making conservation a positive thing to decision making in land development and urbanization. - NM, Toronto
- Preservation and development of good surface transit systems as [an] essential part of overall healthy cities (buildings stand, people **move!**). - PW, Toronto
- Funding incentives for preservation like many states in the U.S.A., where tax incentives and grants act as a "carrot". In Ontario, our "stick" is weak (the Ontario Heritage Act), and our "carrot" for domestic preservation - \$3000 - is laughable. - JB, North York
- [I am] primarily interested in a) theatre buildings, b) maintaining main-street flavour in small towns. - BW, Toronto
- Bureaucratic obtuseness and obstruction together with token co-operation in heritage program development by city officials, particularly professional engineers. - JAC, Castlegar, BC

- Preservation of cultural landscapes in suburban areas, i.e. Scarborough, or making preservation meaningful in Metropolitan areas outside but adjacent to Toronto. Private sector contributions to presevation through development agreements, i.e. a "user pays" concept. - MT, Toronto
- Maintaining [a] healthy human scale - the importance of street-level vitality. - PT, Toronto
- Simplistic solutions to traffic/transit problems, such as one-way Bay and Yonge [streets], and the refusal to expand public transit. - MDG, Toronto
- It is difficult to pick out the most important [issues] when all issues need to be treated. Renovating for reuse could be a profitable topic. - Anon.
- Scale of the street, [and the] use of "street furniture". - MP, Toronto
- I am a member of the Architectural Conservancy and interested in preserving a beautiful Canada and **maintaining its traditional character!** - KP, York
- I am very concerned with replacement of "nice older homes" on old streets by mega houses and abysmally ugly terraces. This alteration in streetscape has happened repeatedly on my street. - MES, Toronto



Future of Briarly In Doubt

The fate of Briarly, one of Etobicoke's oldest homes, remains uncertain following a recent decision of Etobicoke City Council. The site of the house is slated for condominium development, and a proposal to save the historic structure involved moving it to a city-owned site and restoring it there. Etobicoke council refused to vote the required funds, casting the rescue plan into doubt. Stay tuned.

Lecture

Where Have All the Churches Gone?

Date: Sunday, May 28, at 3:00 p.m.

Place: Hydro Auditorium, Hydro Place at College and University.

Lecturer: Margaret Baily, staff member at the Toronto Historical Board

Unlike Twentieth Century Toronto, which has put much of its collective disposable income, energy and architectural innovation into office towers and commercial development, Toronto in the 19th Century was called "the City of Churches". It was in church design and construction that many of the most prominent architectural firms expressed their creativity and engineering skills.

Religious structures gave Toronto many of its most prominent landmarks. Today, with the high price of land and the declining importance of collective worship, many of these monuments have disappeared. Using slides of past and present churches and synagogues, Margaret Baily will cast a backward glance at a "kinder, gentler" Toronto of yesterday.

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