

<b>City of Waterloo, Ward 2</b>			
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<b>What value to our community is preservation of heritage properties?</b>			
BB: <b>No replies to any questions, as of October 7 2014</b>	HK: <b>No replies to any questions, as of October 7 2014</b>	JM: I believe that there is a high value to the preservation of heritage properties. Our history is not just in books, and in papers, but it is in the bricks and mortar in our buildings. This summer I toured a plantation in the south. There were books in the rooms to read, and pictures on the wall, and they all told the history of the plantation, but it was the buildings that made the history come alive. The slave alley made you take a step back in time and brought tears to my eyes. The more we can save of our history, the better chance we have to remember and learn from it.	HW: <b>No replies to any questions, as of October 7 2014</b>
<b>What have you done to save built heritage in your municipality?</b>			
		JM: [no response]	
<b>How will you balance land development pressures against the need to preserve significant landscapes, heritage structures and older neighbourhoods?</b>			
		JM: I think that developers need to be educated on the value of preservation. I think that our planners in	

		<p>the city need to be educated and work with the developers on ways to incorporate growth with heritage preservation. Again, in my travels this summer, in Newfoundland, most of the core was repurposed, or the buildings that could not be saved, were incorporated into green space art or monuments. It spoke volumes to the cities value on its history.</p>	
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*Many studies have shown the environmental advantages of retrofitting heritage buildings vs. demolishing them and building new buildings, even new energy-efficient, LEED certified buildings. (e.g. [The Greenest Building: quantifying the environmental impact of building reuse](#)).*

**Would you encourage the adaptive reuse of your community’s built heritage? How?**

		<p>JM: Yes I would encourage the reuse of a built heritage. We need to ensure that it is part of the strategic plan of the city that preservation is a priority and we need to educate planners and developers on the benefits.</p>	
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**What two additional heritage landscapes/ properties/ districts would like to see protected through listing or designation?**

		<p>JM: I don’t have any districts at this time.</p>	
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**Will you support a grant to those who seek to conserve and restore their heritage properties?**

		<p>JM: The city has a grant matching fund, that is meant to be</p>	
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		used by the citizen groups to in the areas of “Projects that focus on either the arts, education, environment, history, public safety, place-making, community building or recreation”	
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**How large a grant would you offer to property owners to preserve a heritage building?**

		JM: The above statement directly mentions history. The grants are for up to \$2000, as long as the citizen or group matches the amounts.	
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**Are financial incentives important to encourage home owners to invest in heritage properties?**

		JM: This matching grant program was a pilot project and is set to end this year. As a councillor, I intend to support the extension of this program and increased funding towards it.	
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*Under the Ontario Heritage Act, listing and protecting heritage properties is a municipal responsibility, not a private responsibility. A heritage property may be designated by the municipality over an owner’s objection, and the owner may appeal the designation to the Conservation Review Board (for individual property designations) or the Ontario Municipal Board (for heritage district designations).*

**Do you agree that a municipal council should act if necessary to designate a heritage property even when the owner disagrees?**

		JM: Before we designate a heritage building, I think that working with the owner and getting them to agree to the designation is the	
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		<p>best course of action. If they agree with the designation they are in a better position to respect and protect it. Having said that all councils need to make decisions that may not make all citizens happy. It is the nature of the job. So yes, it might be at some time that a property would be designated although the owner disagrees.</p>	
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**Under what circumstances would you vote against the recommendation of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee to designate a building as a heritage landmark?**

		<p>JM: Committees of Council are made up of citizens giving their time on a volunteer basis to help the council make decisions at the municipal level. It is in council's best interest to listen to those advisory committees. But in the end, it is up to council to make the decision on any recommendation. If that decision is against the recommendation, I would be sure that the committee was well aware of the reasons that their recommendation was rejected.</p>	
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