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RE: Scoped EIS, 35 William St.

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Dear Mr. Santaguida,

I am writing in response to a request from the City of Ottawa to complete a Scoped EIS in support of the redevelopment of the property at 35 William St (Dec. 4 email from Matthew Hayley, Environmental Planner for the City of Ottawa).

The City identified concern that the site may offer potential habitat for species at risk, namely the Chimney Swift, or three bat species at risk, suggesting the need for a Scoped EIS. Today, I have visited the site and can confirm that there is no habitat for any of these species on the current site. Not only are there no open chimneys on the site, but there is no roof remaining, and only the William St. façade was able to be retrieved. Please see Figures 1 and 2, attached.

I trust that this letter serves the purpose of the Scoped EIS requested by the City of Ottawa. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like further information.

With best wishes,



Figure 1. Aerial view of 35 William St. preceding 2019 fire. Only chimneys circled in red are on the subject property. Chimneys in blue are on the neighbouring property and not subject to this application. The photo in Figure 2 was taken from approximately the yellow star on the photo, facing William Street.

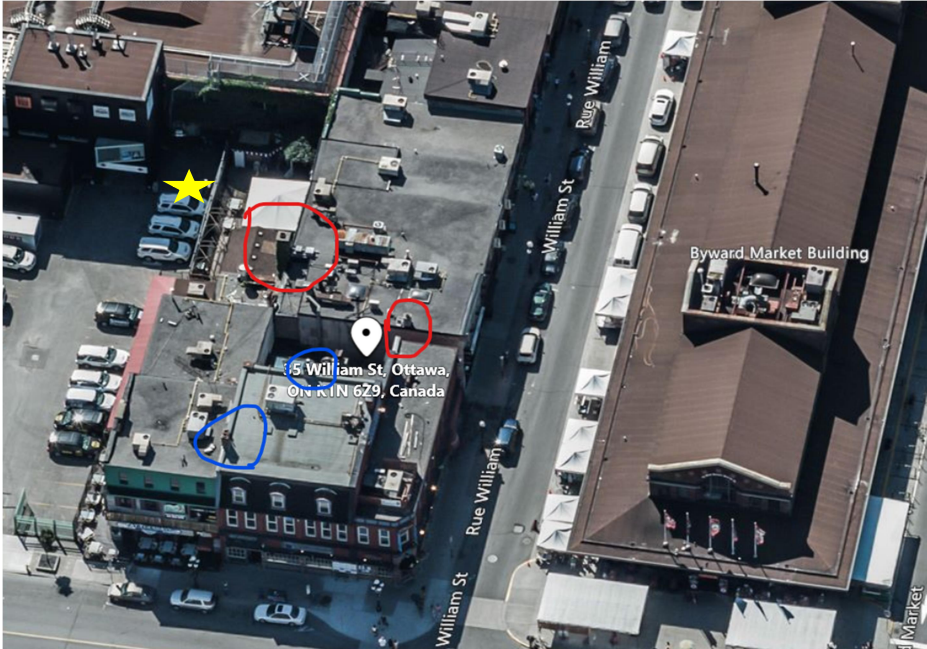


Figure 2. Photo taken facing William Street. Note that none of the former structure on the plan view above remains, except the façade.

