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June 20, 2011

ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

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Ontario Heritage Trust
10 Adelaide Street East
TORONTO ON M5C 1J3

Re: Registration of Heritage By-law 82-2011
Thomas McCrae House
Pt. Lt. 16, Con 1 (Raleigh), Pt. 1, 24R-4296
7407 Riverview Line, Community of Raleigh

Registration of Heritage By-law 83-2011
Adams Block
Pt. Lt. 1, Block 47, Plan 14, Chatham
125 Queen Street, Community of Chatham


Registration of Heritage By-law 84-2011
Tye Block
Pt. Lts. 15 & 16, Block K, Plan 144 T/W & S/T ROW as in 276292, Thamesville
9 Victoria Street, Community of Thamesville

Attached is a copy of By-law 82-2011, approved by Chatham-Kent Council on June 6, 2011 for the above-noted property – Thomas McCrae House.

Attached is a copy of By-law 83-2011, approved by Chatham-Kent Council on June 6, 2011 for the above-noted property – Adams Block.

Attached is a copy of By-law 84-2011, approved by Chatham-Kent Council on June 6, 2011 for the above-noted property – Tye Block.

Sincerely,



Ryan Jacques
Planning Technician

Attachment(s)

BY-LAW NUMBER 83-2011

OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CHATHAM-KENT

A By-law to designate the property located at **125 Queen Street, Community of Chatham**, as being of historical and architectural value or interest.

PASSED the 13th day of June, 2011

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18 as amended, provides that the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent may designate a property within the boundaries of the Municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent has appointed the Heritage Chatham-Kent Advisory Committee and the said committee has recommended that the Municipality designate the hereinafter described property pursuant to The Ontario Heritage Act;

AND WHEREAS Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent has given Notice of Intention to Designate the hereinafter described property to be of cultural heritage value and interest pursuant to The Ontario Heritage Act;

AND WHEREAS no Notice of Objection to the proposed designation has been received by the Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent;

AND WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "A" annexed hereto;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipality of Chatham-Kent enacts as follows:

1. That the property municipally known as 9 Victoria Avenue, Community of Thamesville and more particularly described in the attached Schedule "B" be designated to be of cultural heritage value and interest pursuant to The Ontario Heritage Act.
2. The Clerk be authorized to register the by-law against the property described in Schedule "B" hereto in the proper Land Registry Office.
3. The Clerk be directed to cause a copy of this by-law to be served on the owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation and cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.


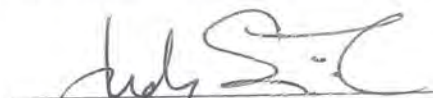
THIS By-law shall come into full force and effect upon the final passing thereof.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME this 13th day of June, 2011.

I hereby certify this to be a true copy of By-law Number 83-2011 passed by Municipality of Chatham-Kent Council at its' meeting held on June 13, 2011, and the same is now in full force and effect.



The Corporation of the Municipality
of Chatham-Kent


MAYOR - Randy R. Hope
CLERK - Judy Smith

Schedule A



Heritage Chatham-Kent

Municipal Heritage Committee

DESIGNATION REPORT

**Adams Block
125 Queen Street
Chatham**

Description of Property

The Adams Block is located at 125 Queen Street, Part of Lot 1, Block 47, Plan 14, (South East corner of Queen Street and School Street) in the City of Chatham in the Municipality of Chatham-Kent. The property consists of a c. 1915 two storey brick commercial building with cupola with a polygonal façade and corner entry door.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Historical/Associative (OHA Reg 9/06):

The structure on this property was designed by J.W. Keyt in 1915 as a residence and store for James M. Adams. Keyt, interestingly, was not an architect but rather was listed as a designer in the City Directory of 1909 and later was the superintendent at S. Hadley & Co. Lumber. Adams Brothers Grocery, is listed at this address in the City of Chatham Directory in 1916. In the 1930s, the focus of the business changed to confectionary and stationary. In the mid-1950s, James' son turned the store into a hobby shop which it remained until the late 1990s. As such, the building has a local legacy of being a long-standing one family business and a popular and well-remembered hobby shop for over fifty years.

Design/Physical (OHA Reg 9/06):

The Adams Block is an extremely well preserved example of a corner-designed early 20th century brick building that served as both a business and residence for its owner. Its relative lack of exterior decorative embellishments illustrates the architectural move towards more simplified design as expressed in the Arts &

Crafts/Art Deco movement and although the building is not a pure or quintessential representation of the style, it is, none the less, reflective of the trend. Specific notable features include :

- Distinctive polygonal façade configuration, the angled corner section containing the main entranceway.
- Parapet, step down, tile covered roofline on the north and south exposure.
- Very unusual diminutive glass enclosed cupola on the roof opening in to the second storey living quarters.

The interior of the Adams Block is an outstandingly well preserved commercial interior and an important example illustrating the use of embossed, tinned sheet iron panels for interior cladding and decorative effect. Original features of the interior are highlighted by:

- Embossed, sheet iron panelled walls, ceiling, frieze, and cove.
- Original wooden shelving
- Original electric ceiling fixtures.

Contextual:

The building has a strong visual presence especially when approaching from the north on Queen Street and from the east on School Street. This is a result of the situation of the structure very close to both streets on its corner location, and to the width of both street and the open parking lot area to the north.

Description of Heritage Attributes/Character Defining Elements

Key elements of the Adams Block that contribute to its value as a well preserved example of an early 20th century merchant's business/residence:

Exterior:

- Polygonal façade with the "cut corner" containing the principle entranceway.
- Parapet step down roofline.
- Stretcher bond brick construction
- Original brick chimneys
- Window and door placement throughout
- Window and door casements throughout
- Plain lug window sills
- Decorative raised brick frieze line
- Decorative brick vents in front façade
- Double hung wooden window sash
- Tile capping roofline
- Glazed cupola

- West and north commercial window casement, sash, and upper frosted glass.

Interior:

- Room layout on ground floor
- Embossed tinned sheet iron panelling on walls and ceiling with particular note of highly unusual frieze panels depicting hunting scenes.
- Original wooden shelving including dentilated frieze, decorative brackets, and coved cornices.
- Hardwood flooring on first floor
- Window and door trim
- Ceiling fixtures and shades
- Cast iron floor grates

Contextual:

Key elements of the Adams Block that support its contextual value include:

- Location on a prominent corner lot.
- Proximity to both streets
- Visual prominence due to surrounding open landscape/parking lots.

Schedule B

PART OF LOT 1, BLOCK 47, PLAN 14 CHATHAM (CITY)

PIN No. 00504-0205