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BY-LAW NO. 289 - 84

OF THE

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Being a by-law of the City of Cambridge to designate the exterior of the Hugh Cant Building, 20 - 22 Main Street, Cambridge, as a property of architectural and historical significance.

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O., 1980, c. 337 authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of historical or architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS Notices of Intention to so designate the Hugh Cant Building at 20 - 22 Main Street, Cambridge, Ontario, have been duly published and served;

AND WHEREAS it is considered desirable to designate the property known as the Hugh Cant Building at 20 - 22 Main Street, Cambridge, Ontario;

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE ENACTS AS FOLLOWS: -

- THAT there is designated as being of architectural and historical significance the exterior of the original structure located on the real property, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto, known as the Hugh Cant Building at 20 - 22 Main Street, Cambridge, Ontario. The reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "B" attached hereto.
- 2. THAT the City of Cambridge is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owner of the said property and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of this by-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Cambridge.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME, ENACTED AND PASSED, THIS 17TH DAY OF DECEMBER, A.D., 1984.

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SCHEDULE "A"

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20 - 22 Main Street

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the City of Cambridge, in the Regional Municipality of Waterloo and Province of Ontario, and being composed of Part of Lot 3 to Part of Lot 5, Registered Plan 483.

SCHEDULE "B"

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The property located at 20 - 22 Main Street and known originally as the Hugh Cant Building is recommended for designation for historical and architectural reasons.

Historically, this distinguished stone Italianate building dates from the period ca 1880, when Galt was the largest town in Waterloo County and Main Street was Galt's commercial centre. Number 20 - 22 is of particular significance because it is one of a small number of 19th century commercial buildings remaining on the north side of Main Street. Prominent Galt citizen and future Mayor Hugh Cant commissioned its construction in 1872 after fire destroyed an earlier frame structure on the site. The builder was well-known local stone mason contractor, William Webster; the Webster brothers were responsible for the historic Granite Block across the street.

In the core area after 1850, Scottish Masons began to create the facades of coursed granite, carefully selected and split from scattered field boulders, which gave Galt its title of the Granite City. As the technique was refined, multi-coloured patterns gave way to gray colour-matched stonework. The work was so fine that it gave the appearance of stone quarried from a single location. The Hugh Cant Building is in this latter group. The facades have been completed altered at street level, the upper storeys of Number 20 - 22 and its neighbour, Number 18 to the west, form a single design unit of outstanding quality and completeness. The limestone string course continues across the two facades and there are identical round-arched windows with intricately moulded metal hood moulds. The four over four double-hung sash appear to be original. The roof detail is also of particular interest featuring wood cornices and bracketed eaves, brick parapet, stone pinnacles and rare carved limestone corbels.

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J. ANDERSON City Clerk