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October 10, 2024

Attn. Provincial Heritage Registrar
Ontario Heritage Trust
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

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Ontario Heritage Trust

Re: Notification of Intent to Designate, through Passage of a By-law, 14 Main Street South, legally described as "LT 5 & PT LT 16, PL 33, AS IN 596897; HALTON HILLS", and known as First Baptist Church under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.

This letter is to advise you that Notice of Intention to Designate the above property under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act was served on the property owner(s), via mail, on Wednesday, October 8, 2024.

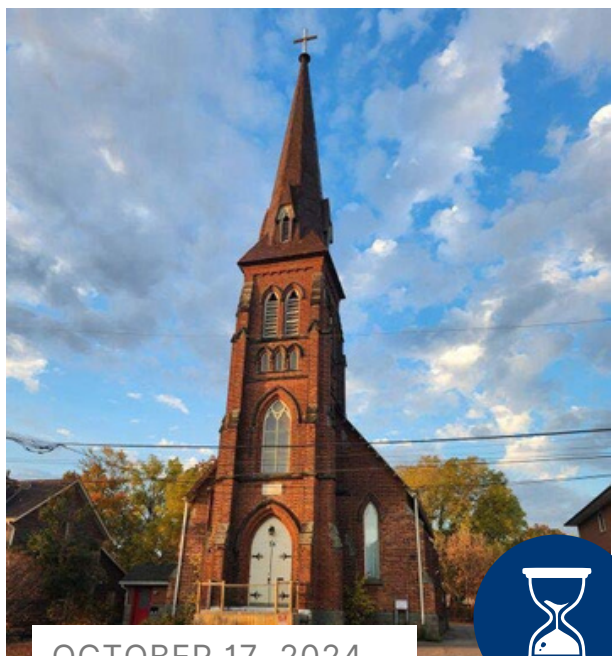
The Notice of Intention to Designate 14 Main Street South, Acton will be posted on the various Town sites Thursday, October 17, 2024. A copy of the attached proof for the notice was forwarded to the property owner(s) on Wednesday, October 8, 2024.

Sincerely,

Laura Loney
Manager of Heritage Planning
Planning and Development

UNDER THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

Notice of Intention to Designate



OCTOBER 17, 2024



IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT
AND IN THE MATTER OF the lands in the Town of Halton Hills known municipally as 14 Main Street South, legally described as "LT 5 & PT LT 16, PL 33, AS IN 596897; HALTON HILLS", Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as First Baptist Church.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Halton Hills intends to designate the property at 14 Main Street South under Section 29(1), Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

Known as the First Baptist Church, the property at 14 Main Street South has significant historical and associative value due to its association with early Baptist Christian communities in Georgetown and the surrounding area, and with the growth of Baptist congregations within the Township of Esquesing. As the location of the First Baptist Church, featured prominently on Main Street, the property has a long association with the Georgetown community.

The property is also associated with significant nineteenth-century community members in Georgetown, including the Deacon of the church Michael Dayfoot, who was the father of J.B. Dayfoot, the local shoe entrepreneur who established his famous Boot making factory with his brother in 1843.

As well, the property is deeply associated with its designer, architect Henry Langley, a profoundly significant architect in Ontario in the nineteenth-century. Known as the "dean of ecclesiastical architecture in Ontario," the First Baptist Church is one of seventy ecclesiastical buildings designed by Langley during his career, and one of many which he designed by adapting his famous principal drawings for ecclesiastical buildings.

The property at 14 Main Street South has contextual value as a long-standing ecclesiastical landmark along Main Street in the community of Georgetown. A landmark along Main Street, the red brick church with "soaring spire" has been in this location for over 150 years. While the property has evolved over time and is now an example of adapted re-use in the community, the church remains physically, functionally, visually, and historically linked to its surroundings within Georgetown.

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The heritage attributes of the property at 14 Main Street South are identified as follows:

- The setback, location, and orientation of the 19th century Gothic Revival church building along Main Street South in Georgetown within the Town of Halton Hills;
- The scale, form, and massing of the one-storey church building with central tower at the front elevation, including its stone foundation, red brick walls, and stone detailing;
- The materials, including brick exterior; stone foundation, sills, hood moulds, lintels, and detailing; wooden brackets, soffit, and louvres within existing openings;
- The central tower, featuring lancet-arched window and door openings, brick buttresses with stone coping, stone detailing and string courses, brick detailing, tower roof with dormers and spire;
- Lancet-arched window openings with stone sills and hood moulds throughout;
- Stepped brick buttresses delineating bays along the side elevations; and,
- Wooden brackets and soffits beneath the eaves.

Further information respecting the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and proposed designation of 14 Main Street South (refer to Report PD-2024-009) is available by contacting Laura Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning for the Town of Halton Hills at 905-873-2600 x 2358 or by email at lloney@haltonhills.ca

Any person may, by November 16, 2024 (within 30 days after the date of the publication of this notice) serve written notice of objection to the proposed designation to Laura Loney together with a statement for the objection and all relevant facts.

Dated at the Town of Halton Hills this 17th day of October 2024.

Laura Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning, Planning and Development, The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, ON L7G 5G2.

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