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**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Erin intends to designate the property, known municipally as 194 Main Street, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18* as amended.

**Description of the Property**

The subject property is legally described as LT 17 PL 167 ERIN VILLAGE; PT LT 18 PL 167 ERIN VILLAGE AS IN ROS599749; ERIN with a civic address of 194 Main Street in the Village of Erin. It consists of a two-storey Italianate building constructed between 1885 and 1891.

**Statement of cultural heritage value or interest**

**194 Main Street is a representative example of a building constructed in the Italianate architectural style.**

The large two-storey building follows a rectangular plan with dichromatic detailing expressed in the red brick construction and buff brick detailing on quoins and window surrounds which are all design elements associated with Italianate architecture. The building has a hip roof with overhanging eaves and one-storey bay window with hip roof topped with metal cresting showcase the asymmetrical but balanced nature of the façade. The heavily stylized window treatments which showcase stone sills and segmentally arched window openings that are adorned with a dichromatic and decorative brick voussoirs creating a hood mould effect are representative of Italianate design. The centrally placed rectangular door opening on the main level of the façade, includes an ornate, rectangular transom with stained glass which is representative of Italianate architecture.

**194 Main Street is associated with the historic core in the Village of Erin and Matthews Overland.**

194 Main Street is located within the historic core of the Village of Erin. The development of the historic village core in the 19th and early 20th century played a significant role in the social and economic development of the Village of Erin. The lots lines, layout, and built form of the historic core is consistent with typical 19th century rural communities found throughout Ontario. As the home of one of Erin's early landlords and a prominent businessman, 194 Main Street contributes to the historic character of the Village of Erin. 194 Main Street was constructed between 1885 and 1891 as the private residence of local livery owner, carpenter, and landlord Matthews Overland. Matthews Overland was the son of an early settler to the Village of Erin, Charles Overland Senior, who arrived in Erin in 1855 and built a house which is still extant at 199 Main Street. Matthews Overland owned a livery, worked as a carpenter, and was also the owner of the commercial building at 92-94 Main Street, which served the local community as a general store.

**194 Main Street is important in supporting and maintaining the late 19th and early 20th century character of the historic Village of Erin.**

The residential portions, extending from the commercial core and into several side streets, were developed at the same time as the commercial core and supports the legibility and character of the historic village core. Located on or just off Main Street, the residential buildings are comprised of predominantly one to two-and-a-half storey residences, primarily brick construction, with modest setbacks. 194 Main Street exhibits setback, massing, style, and decorative details consistent with the character of the historic Village of Erin.

**Description of heritage attributes**

**194 Main Street is a representative example of a building constructed in the Italianate architectural style.**

The property contains the following heritage attributes that reflect this value:

- Two-storey building constructed in the Italianate architectural style
- Rectangular plan
- Asymmetrical but balanced façade
- Dichromatic detailing expressed in the red brick construction and buff brick detailing on quoins and window surrounds
- Hip roof with overhanging eaves
- One-storey bay window with hip roof topped with metal cresting
- Heavily stylized window treatments which showcase stone sills and segmentally arched window openings that are adorned with a dichromatic and decorative brick voussoirs creating a hood mould effect
- Centrally placed rectangular door opening includes an ornate rectangular transom, with stained glass window

**194 Main Street is associated with the historic core in the Village of Erin and Matthews Overland.** The property contains the following heritage attributes that reflect this value:

- Two-storey building constructed in the Italianate architectural style
- Overall massing, setback, and decorative details

**194 Main Street is important in supporting and maintaining the late 19th and early 20th century character of the historic Village of Erin.** The property contains the following heritage attributes that reflect this value:

- Two-storey building constructed in the Italianate architectural style
- Overall massing, setback, and decorative details
- Location on Main Street



**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE**  
**By The Corporation of the Town of Erin**

**194 Main Street, Erin**

**Notice of Objection to the Notice of Intention to Designate**

Any person may serve written objection to this proposed designation on the Town Clerk before 4 p.m. on January 12, 2026. The Notice of Objection to the Notice of Intention to Designate the property must be sent by registered mail or delivered to the Town Clerk and must set out the reason(s) for the objection and all relevant facts.

If a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the Town of Erin shall consider the objection and make a decision whether or not to withdraw the Notice of Intention to Designate the property within 90 days after the end of the 30-day objection period.

If Council decides not to withdraw its intention to designate, a heritage designation bylaw must be passed within 120 days after the date of publication of the Notice of Intention to Designate. Council must publish a Notice of Passing of the designation by-law which is followed by a 30-day appeal period when appeals of the by-law may be filed with the Town Clerk for a hearing and decision by the Ontario Land Tribunal.

**Additional Information** regarding the Notice of Intention to Designate the property, is available by contacting the Planning and Development Department at 519-855-4407 or by email to [planning@erin.ca](mailto:planning@erin.ca).

Dated at the Town of Erin  
This 11th day of December 2025

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