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ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

Provincial Heritage Registrar  
ATTN: Erin Semande  
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Dear Erin Semande:

**Re: Town of Gananoque – Notice of Intention to Amend Five (5) Heritage Designation**

As a requirement under the *Ontario Heritage Act*, Section 30(1), Part IV of the, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.8, please be advised that at a regular meeting of Council, held on Tuesday, July 17, 2018, the Council of the Town of Gananoque passed Motion #18-113, entitled "Notice of Intention to Amend Municipal Heritage Designations" for the following Municipally Designated Heritage Properties:

1	Old Foundry	9-15 King Street East	Lot 1027A, Block N, Plan 86, East of the Gananoque River	By-law No. 79-03
2	Town Hall	30 King Street East	Lot A, Plan 86, East of the Gananoque River	By-law No. 76-13
3	Former Provincial Hotel	98 King Street East	Lot 10, Plan 86, East of the Gananoque River, being part 1 on 28R-5737	By-law No. 2005-63
4	Old Post Office	110 Stone Street South	Lot 14, Block O, Plan 86, East of the Gananoque River	By-law No. 78-20
5	Clock Tower	140 Stone Street South	Part of Block O, Plan 86, East of the Gananoque River	By-law No. 78-21

Information regarding the above Municipally Designated Heritage properties are attached.

Any person wishing to object to the proposed amendment(s) may submit a written Notice of Objection to the Clerk's Department that provides a statement for the objection and all relevant facts. These submission will be received up to and including Friday, August 31, 2018 at 12:00 PM.

Should you require further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me at [clerk@gananoque.ca](mailto:clerk@gananoque.ca) or 613-382-2149 ext. 1120.

Sincerely,



Penny Kelly  
Clerk / CEMC

Attachments: Description of five (5) Heritage Designated Properties

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**TOWN HALL, 30 KING ST EAST, GANANOQUE, ONTARIO**

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Building/Property Name: Town Hall  
 Address: 30 King St East  
 Legal Description: Lot A, Plan 86, East of the Gananoque River  
 Original Use: Residential  
 Present Use: Public Service  
 Date Designated: July 6, 1976  
 Designation Bylaw: Bylaw 1976-13  
 Registration:

**Description of the Property:**

A former residence, the two storey brick Gananoque Town Hall is centrally located within an urban park on the west side of King Street East in downtown Gananoque, and near the north bank of the Gananoque River. The large, irregular-shaped property includes a circular drive with central fountain, several monuments and historical plaques, a designated band shell<sup>1</sup>, and is covered in mature trees.

**Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:**

The Town Hall's design or physical value is evident in its finely executed Neo-Classical massing, style, and details, including its full two-storey height, side gable roof with strong cornice, double large brick chimney stacks and parapets at the gables, its expert combination of brick and stone construction, and its symmetrical fenestration with large central entrance and porch. Its date of construction between 1831 and 1832 and combination of decorative elements also makes it a relatively early and representative example of its style.

The property's historical and associative value stems from its direct association with John McDonald, a local landowner, merchant, postmaster, and member of the Legislative Council of Canada who had the house built as a family residence. The McDonalds were early arrivals to Gananoque and are recognized as founders of the community; this prominence is reflected in the property's location on Town's main street and overlooking the Gananoque River. Contextually, the property's heritage value is recognized through its status as a local landmark, and it defines and supports the historic character of the surrounding area, which includes many other 19<sup>th</sup> century structures. As part of a designed cultural heritage landscape, the house remains physically, functionally, and historically linked to its maintained grounds with formal circular entrance and fountain, band shell, and numerous large and mature trees.

**Description of Heritage Attributes**

<sup>1</sup> The band shell is designated under By-Law 1992-32, enabled under Part IV of the OHA.

Key attributes that express the design or physical value, and historical or associative value, of the Gananoque Town Hall and its cultural heritage landscape include its two storey, five-bay residence built in the Neo-Classical style with;

- Symmetrical fenestration;
- Wide central entrance with semi-elliptical transom, sidelights, and flat-roofed open porch with balcony;
- Red brick masonry combined with stone detailing at the lintels and sills, string or belt course, and gabled parapets;
- Large and brick double chimney stacks at both gables; and,
- Moulded wood cornice and denticulated frieze;
- Key attributes that express the property as a designed cultural heritage landscape include the:
  - Residence sited in the middle of a large estate lot;
  - Formal vehicle entrance from King Street East circling in front of the house around a decorative fountain;
  - Formal plantings, maintained lawns, and mature trees at the property lines but also distributed throughout the property;
  - A number of commemorative plaques and monuments; and,
  - Visual relationship with the designated band shell.

Key attributes that express the property's contextual value include its:

- Location in the centre of the Town on a main thoroughfare and on a promontory overlooking the Gananoque River; and,
- Visual relationships with other 19<sup>th</sup> century historic properties including the Old Foundry (9-15 King Street East) and Public Library (10 King Street East).

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