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Provincial Heritage Registrar  
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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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## **OLD POST OFFICE, 110 STONE STREET SOUTH, GANANOQUE, ONTARIO**

Building/Property Name: Old Post Office  
Address: 110 Stone Street South  
Legal Description: Lot 14, Block O, Plan 86, East of the Gananoque River  
Original Use: Commercial  
Present Use: Commercial/Residential  
Date Designated: July 4, 1978  
Designation Bylaw: Bylaw 78-20  
Registration:

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### **Description of the Property:**

The two-storey brick former post office with single storey rear wing is located on a rectangular lot with paved parking and greenspace at the southwest corner of the intersection of Stone Street South and Pine Street, approximately two blocks south of Gananoque's historic commercial core.

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

From its imposing massing to solidity expressed in its combined brick and stone construction, the former Post Office has design or physical value as a representative example of an institutional building rendered in the Romanesque Revival style, and for the high degree of craftsmanship required to build its semi-circular relieving arches filled with basket weave brickwork, shaped and rock-faced rusticated sills and lintels, belt or string courses, corbelling, and stone and wood finials.

As the Town's first post office (built 1887-1888), the building has historical or associative value as a community institution, but also for its direct association with Thomas Fuller, who designed the building while serving as Chief Architect of the Department of Public Works. Fuller is renowned as a prolific designer of public structures in Canada, having achieved fame in 1866 as one of the principal architects of the Parliament Building's Centre Block.

Although the Post Office ceased operating as a post office in 1914, it retains contextual value through its visual and historical links with the Town's downtown just a short distance to the west. Together with the Clock Tower at 140 Stone Street and three nearby stone churches, the Post Office also aids to define and support the institutional character of the immediate area.

### **Description of Heritage Attributes**

Key attributes that express the design or physical value of the former Post Office at 110 Stone Street South include its:

- Imposing two storey massing;
- Symmetrical fenestration with balanced off-centre entrances;
- Combination of red brick and stone detailing including:

- Tall rock-faced rusticated stone foundation with smoothed stone watertable;
- Semi-circular relieving arches filled with basket weave brickwork and with floral carved impostes and keystones;
- Multiple stone belt or string courses, the top-most of which is carved;
- Heavy stone lintels and sills;
- Brick corbelling;
- Central gable with large stone finials;
- '1888' date stone on the west corner of the front façade and large 'POST OFFICE' signage stone beneath the central gable;
- Thick wood cornice with heavy modillions;
- Steep, slate-clad hip roof topped with a parapet with corner finials;
- Prominent metal hoppers and rainwater leaders on the front façade;
- Tall brick chimney; and,
- Single storey rear wing with hip roof.

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

- Location near the commercial core of Gananoque and association with other institutional buildings; and,
- Visual relationship with the Clock Tower and nearby churches.

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