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REGISTERED MAIL

October 10, 2023

Trustees for the First Church of Christ, Scientist
58 Water Street North
Kitchener, ON N2H 5A8

Re: Council Resolution - Notice of Intention to Designate 64 Water Street North
under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act

Dear Trustees for the First Church of Christ, Scientist,

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kitchener at its regular meeting held Monday, August 28, 2023 passed the following resolution:

"That pursuant to Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, the Clerk be directed to publish a Notice of Intention to Designate the property municipally addressed as 64 Water Street North as being of cultural heritage value or interest, as outlined in Development Services Department report DSD-2023-317."

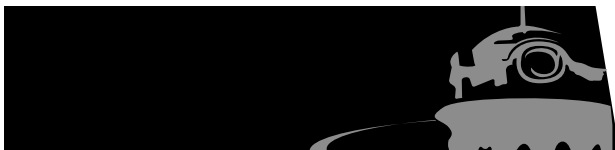
Attached is a copy of Development Services Department report DSD-2023-317, dated July 3, 2023, as well as a Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest for 64 Water Street North and a description of the heritage attributes related to the property to be protected. Also attached is a copy of the Notice of Intention to Designate.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Mills".

Marilyn Mills
Committee Administrator

cc: Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust
V. Grohn, Heritage Planner
(cc'd parties by email only)



IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER O.18, AS AMENDED, AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL ADDRESS(ES) IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF INTENTION

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kitchener intends to designate the following municipal addresses as being of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18, as amended.

64 Water Street North

The property municipally addressed as 64 Water Street North demonstrates design/physical, historical/associative and contextual values. The existing church building is a rare and unique example of a blending of architectural styles including the Arts and Craft style, Tudor Revival style, and the Gothic style. The church building is in excellent condition.

This building has significant historical and associative value. This church was the first Christian Scientist church built outside of the United States of America, in what was then known as the British Empire.

The church has significant contextual value because of its location. The church still exists in its original location, on a triangular plot of land located at the intersection of two streets at a sharp angle. This plot of land was purposely chosen to mimic the Mother Church in Boston. Furthermore, because of its prominent but unique form and architecture, this building has been recognized as a landmark in the community.

35 & 43 Sheldon Avenue North

The properties municipally addressed as 35 & 43 Sheldon Avenue North demonstrate design/physical, historical/associative and contextual values. The buildings possess design value, being representative examples of the Tudor Revival Style in good condition with many intact elements. They also display a high degree of craftsmanship and artistic merit, with the symmetrical design of the properties being a unique characteristic.

The historic and associative value of the subject property relates to the ownership of the home as well as the architect who designed the buildings. 35 & 43 Sheldon Avenue North were constructed by Barney Joseph and Irving Somer, uncle and nephew. Both were prominent merchants within the community. Other notable owners include Edith Macintosh and Egbert Seegmiller.

The contextual value of the subject property relates to the contributions the buildings make to the continuity and character of the Sheldon Avenue North streetscape. The buildings are located in-situ and as such are historically linked to their surroundings and each other.

90-92 Queen Street South

The properties municipally addressed as 90-92 Queen Street South demonstrate design/physical, historical/associative and contextual values. The existing buildings are a unique example of the Art Deco architectural style and is the only example of Art Deco architecture in the area.

The historic and associative values relate to the early use of the building for the local business known as 'Pearl Laundry Cleaners and Dryers'. Pearl Laundry Cleaners and Dryers was founded by David Knipfel in 1897.

The building has contextual value because it is important in maintaining the commercial/industrial character of the Queen Street South streetscape. This building represents the industrial development that was taking place in Kitchener in the early 20th century.

The full Statements of Significance, containing a list of the heritage attributes, is available in the Office of the City Clerk by contacting clerks@kitchener.ca during normal business hours. Any person may send by Registered Mail, or deliver to the Clerk of the City of Kitchener, notice of their objections to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for objection and all relevant facts, to be received by the Clerk no later than the 5th day of November, 2023. If a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kitchener will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board (<https://www.pas.gov.on.ca/Home/Agency/434>) for a hearing and report.

Dated at Kitchener the 6th day of October, 2023.

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