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Report No. ACS2024-PRE-RHU-0015

March 22, 2024

Trustees of Southminster United Church
1040 Bank Street
Ottawa, ON
K1S 3W9

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Ontario Heritage Trust

Dear Property Owner,

Re: Notice of passage of By-law 2024-113 to designate Southminster United Church, 1040 Bank Street, under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*

Ottawa City Council, at its meeting held on March 6, 2024, passed the following by-law:

2024-113 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to designate Southminster United Church, 1040 Bank Street, to be of cultural heritage value or interest.

Please find enclosed a copy of the by-law, including the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value and Attributes, for the property.

Notice of the passage of By-law 2024-113 will be published online at ottawa.ca/heritagenotices on March 25, 2024.

Please be advised that any person who wishes to object to the by-law may do so by appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal by giving the Tribunal and the Clerk of the City of Ottawa, within 30 days after the online publication of this notice, a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection.

The notice of appeal can be submitted via email to CityClerk-HeritageObjections@ottawa.ca. The notice of appeal can also be submitted via registered mail or be delivered in person, by appointment, at the following coordinates:

David White, Interim City Clerk
c/o Mélanie Blais, Committee Coordinator
110 Laurier Avenue West, Ottawa, Ontario K1P 1J1, mail code 01-71

To make an appointment, please contact Mélanie Blais, Committee Coordinator at (613) 580-2424, ext. 27005, or melanie.blais@ottawa.ca.

Office of the City Clerk
City of Ottawa
110 Laurier Avenue West
Ottawa, ON K1P 1J1
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Direct Line (613) 580-2424 Ext. 21933
david.white@ottawa.ca

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If no appeals are filed, By-law 2024-113 will come into force on April 24, 2024, and be registered on title. A copy of the registered by-law will be served on the Ontario Heritage Trust.

Should you require further information, please contact Taylor Quibell, Heritage Planner, at (613) 580-2424, 74708 or by email at taylor.quibell@ottawa.ca.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tyler Cox', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Tyler Cox

Deputy Clerk for David White
Interim City Clerk

cc: Taylor Quibell, City of Ottawa (by email to taylor.quibell@ottawa.ca)
Lauren Luchenski, City of Ottawa (by email to lauren.luchenski@ottawa.ca)
Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust (by email to registrar@heritagetrust.on.ca)

Encl.

BY-LAW NO. 2024 - 113



A by-law of the City of Ottawa to designate Southminster United Church, 1040 Bank Street, to be of cultural heritage value or interest.

WHEREAS the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18, as amended, authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Ottawa has caused notice of intention to designate to be served upon the owners of the lands and premises known municipally as Southminster United Church, 1040 Bank Street, (more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto), and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, the said notice being published online on Ottawa.ca on January 26, 2024, as permitted by by-law 2002-522 as amended;

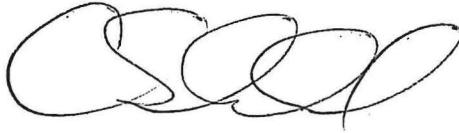
AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the said proposed designation was served upon the Clerk of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the statement of cultural heritage value or interest and description of heritage attributes reasons for designation are set out as Schedule "B" hereto;

THEREFORE the Council of the City of Ottawa, enacts as follows:

1. The real property known municipally as Southminster United Church, 1040 Bank Street, and more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto, is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest.
2. The Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and Description of Heritage Attributes are set out as Schedule "B" hereto.
3. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper Land Registry office.
4. The City Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served upon the owners of the property described in Schedule "A", and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, and to cause notice of this By-law to be published online on Ottawa.ca as permitted by by-law 2002-522 as amended.
5. The schedules attached hereto and marked Schedule "A" and Schedule "B" form part of this By-law, and all notations, references and other information contained therein shall be as much a part of this By-law as if all the matters and information set forth by the said Schedules were all fully described herein.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 6th day of March 2024.

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DEPUTY CITY CLERK

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Sutcliffe" in a cursive script.

MAYOR

SCHEDULE "A"

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PART LOT 8 AND PART LOT 6, EAST GALT STREET AND PART LOT 3, WEST
BANKSTREET, PLAN 36, PART 2 PLAN 4R33626; CITY OF OTTAWA

SCHEDULE "B"

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value

Description of Property – Southminster United Church, 1040 Bank Street

Southminster United Church, 1040 Bank Street is a large, gable roofed church constructed of cinderblock and clad in sandstone. The church was built in 1932 and is located at the corner of Bank and Aylmer streets, overlooking the Rideau Canal in the Old Ottawa South neighbourhood.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value of Interest

Southminster United Church has design value as a representative example of the modern interpretation of the Gothic Revival style. Many of its features are characteristic of the style including, the symmetrical design, an emphasis on verticality including pointed arch windows and doors, with uniformly coloured façades of Nepean sandstone.

Southminster United Church displays a moderate degree of craftsmanship in its architectural elements. This includes its intricate stonework, impressive wood paneled ceiling and modest motif decoration adapted from Sherbourne Abbey in England. Other elements include with the decorative stonework, the ornamental gates, and stained-glass windows.

The property has historical value as a representative work of local architect John Albert Ewart, a well-known architect in Ottawa. His most famous works include the Booth Building at 185 Sparks Street, the Wellington Building at 180 Wellington Street, Knox Presbyterian Church at 120 Lisgar Street, and several schools in the area as the main architect for the Ottawa Collegiate Institute Board. The property also has historical value because it contributes to the understanding of the United Church in Canada, a union of Methodists, Presbyterians, and Congregationalists in 1925. Soon after its formation, in 1931, Southminster United Church was established, uniting the Methodist and Presbyterian congregations in Ottawa South.

Southminster United Church has contextual value because it is important in defining and maintaining the character of Old Ottawa South. Southminster United Church's location at the intersection of Bank and Aylmer, overlooking the Rideau Canal, next to the Bank Street Bridge makes this an important site in the area that is historically and visually linked to its surroundings. The property is a landmark in Old Ottawa South, as a gateway to the community with its deep setback and prominent front lawn.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The key exterior attributes that contribute to the heritage value of Southminster United Church as a representative example of the English Gothic Revival style include:

- Cruciform plan aligned along an east-west axis
- Two storey massing;
- Nepean sandstone cladding
- Symmetrical east façade

- Steeply pitched gable roof and its details including:
 - Slate shingles
 - Copper coping around the edge of the roof
 - Stepped parapet
- Pointed arch stained-glass windows with concrete surrounds and horizontal mouldings on the north, west and east façades
- Rose window on the west façade
- Oriel window on the north façade
- Decorative stonework
- Prominent front vestibule including:
 - Tall, ribbed stone arched opening topped with stone accents
 - Ornamental wrought iron gates
 - Ribbed vault with brackets adorned with oak leaves
 - Stone banding
 - Wooden doors
 - Stained glass windows
- Pier buttresses on the north and south facades
- Pointed arch wood doors on the south façade

The key interior elements that contribute to the design and physical value of 1040 Bank Street include:

- Cedar ceiling
- Modest motif decoration adapted from Sherbourne Abbey in England

Key attributes that contribute to the historic value include:

- Ottawa South Methodist Church Cornerstone (1908)
- Calvin Presbyterian Cornerstone (1914)
- Southminster's Cornerstone (1931)

Key attributes that demonstrate its contextual value include:

- Its location at the corner of Bank and Aylmer Streets

The interior of the building except for the attributes outlined above is excluded from the designation.

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Enacted by City Council at its meeting of
March 6, 2024.

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COUNCIL AUTHORITY:
City Council January 24, 2024
Agenda Item 12.6
(Built Heritage Committee Report No. 10)