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Notice of Heritage Designation

The Corporation of the City of Quinte West

By-law Number 24-080

Being A By-law To Designate The Property Known As 62 County Road 5 As Being A Cultural Heritage Value Or Interest.

Whereas Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, 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 Corporation of the City of Quinte West has caused to be served upon the owners of the land and premises known as 62 County Road 5, and upon The Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intention to designate the properties, and has caused the Notice of Intention to be published in The Trentonian, a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality for a period of 30 days in accordance to notice requirements under the Ontario Heritage Act;

And Whereas no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the municipality:

Therefore, The Council of the City of Quinte West enacts as follows:

- 1. The properties at 62 County Road 5, more particularly described as Schedule "A" attached to this by-law, is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest.
- 2. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" to this by-law in the proper Land Registry Office.
- 3: The City Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owners of the property 62 County Road 5, and upon The Ontario Heritage Trust, and to cause notice of this by-law to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality for a period of 30 days in accordance to notice requirements under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Read A First, Second And Third Time And Finally Passed This 5th Day Of June, 2024.

SCHEDULE A

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE REASONS FOR DESIGNATION 62 County Road 5

1. Description of Property

The Wooler Schoolhouse is a 20th century institutional building located on the north side of County Road 5 on part of Lot 19, Concession 5 in the community of Wooler in the former Murray Township, now the Municipality of Quinte West, in Northumberland County. The approximately 2.83-acre property comprises a three-storey concrete, rockface concrete block, and Insulbrick -brick look siding—institutional building.

2. Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest;

The Property has design and physical value because the building is a rare example of a vernacular building in the Prairie Style of architecture. The building exhibits Prairie Style

elements through its projecting eaves, rectangular windows, natural materials with strips of wood, open plan, wings radiating from a central core, ornamentation through color and texture, abstract cubic massing, and simple clean lines.

The Property holds historical and associative significance because it is directly linked to an institution, an organization, and a theme that are of great importance to the community. The Property shares a direct association with the Public School Board of the Township of Murray, tracing its roots back to the community members who constructed the original schoolhouse. The Property also has a direct association with the Boy Scouts of Canada, who acquired ownership in 1968 until the early 2000s, where the building transformed into a central hub for youth activities and community events. In addition, the Property is closely tied to the theme of education in Wooler and Murray Township, witnessing the growth of the schoolhouse in response to increasing enrollment and educational trends, including the development of the continuation school, which called for a larger education structure.

The Property has contextual value because it plays a crucial role in preserving the character of Wooler, holds historical connections to its surroundings, and stands as a significant landmark. Serving as one of the few institutional buildings in the village, the schoolhouse contributes to the distinctive character of Wooler. It maintains historical ties to its surroundings, having evolved and expanded over time to accommodate the growing local population and educational demands. Moreover, the schoolhouse stands as a well-known and cherished landmark, prominently shaping the identity of Wooler and serving as a testament to its rich history within the community.

3. Description of Heritage Attributes;

Heritage attributes that illustrate the cultural heritage value or interest of 62 County Road 5 include:

- Its orientation to the road;
- Key attributes of the exterior are:
 - The scale and massing of the building;
 - Rectangular footprint with a deep projecting bay on the south elevation and a shallow projecting bay on the north elevation;
 - Concrete foundation;
 - Three-bay facade;
 - Medium pitch hip roof
 - Closed pediment gable roof on the south elevation's projecting bay;
 - Projecting eaves with wood soffit, small brackets and dentils at the base of the roofline;
 - Rock-face concrete block cladding on the first floor, and horizontally patterned brick-red cladding on the second-floor exterior walls;
 - Plain trim between the rock-face first and second floors on the exterior walls;
 - Symmetrical arrangement of window openings;
 - Window openings with concrete lug sills and lintels on the first floor;
 - Plain trim around the second-floor window openings; and,
 - Flat-headed double door entrance with transom and a shallow, wood, shed roof awning with dentils.

4. Legal Description

LT 19 PL 38 MURRAY; PT LT 19 CON 5 MURRAY AS IN CL46229; QUINTE WEST

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