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July 25, 2024

Via Registered Mail and Email

Courtney Kovacich
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Ontario Heritage Trust
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

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Dear Ms. Kovacich,

RE: Notice of Intention to Designate 8 Properties to be of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest in the Town of Aurora

Please find attached the Notices of Intention to Designate for each of the 8 properties that were resolved by the Council of the Town of Aurora on June 25, 2024, to become designated. These Notices include a statement explaining the Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and a description of the heritage attributes for each property.

The 8 properties are as follows with each Notice of Intention to Designate attached:

71 Connaught Avenue	15 Kennedy Street West	19 Kennedy Street West
29 Kennedy Street West	77 Spruce Street	80 Spruce Street
139 Temperance Street	59 Tyler Street	

The Town's Heritage Advisory Committee was also consulted, including through the meeting held on July 31, 2023. The Notices also outline the objection process, and pursuant to Section 29(3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, they will be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality (The Auroran; August 1, 2024 edition) and will also be served to each property owner.

Yours sincerely,

Michael de Rond
Town Clerk

Attach.

c. Marco Ramunno, Director, Planning and Development Services
c. Adam Robb, Manager of Policy Planning and Heritage

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE 77 SPRUCE STREET

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora intends to designate the following property as a property of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest pursuant to the provisions of Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18, as amended. A statement of reasons is included.

77 Spruce Street
The Stephens House
Lt 4 PI 67
Town of Aurora
PIN: 03639-0087

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Description of Property

The property known municipally as 77 Spruce Street is located on the east side of Spruce Street, north of Maple Street. The property includes a representative example of an Edwardian/ Foursquare House constructed circa 1912.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

77 Spruce Street is of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest based on its design and physical value, historical and associative value, and contextual value.

Design and Physical Value:

The house is representative of a 2.5-storey brick Edwardian/Foursquare style home. The home includes a front porch, hipped roof, stone windowsills, and an attic dormer with window. The property displays a high degree of craftsmanship and contributes to the character of the streetscape.

Historical and Associative Value:

77 Spruce supports the theme of an Edwardian style home in the early 1900s. The property helps to contribute to the understanding of the early development of the Town and the area northeast of Yonge and Wellington Streets, being the initial historic Machell's Corners. The dwelling was first built by William Lewis Stephens, a descendant of Aurora's first settlers.

Contextual Value:

The property supports the character of the Spruce Street area as many of the houses along the street share a similar look and design, including those in the Northeast Old Aurora Heritage Conservation District. The property is visually and historically linked to its surroundings as part of one of the earliest communities within Aurora. The property helps tell the story of the evolution and early growth of the Town.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The following provides a description of heritage attributes for the property which contribute to the reasons for which the property is of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest. Important to the preservation of the property are the original key attributes of the building that express its value, which include:

Exterior Elements

- Overall 2.5-storey brick Edwardian/ Foursquare style home
- Covered front porch
- Original window and door openings
- Stone sills
- Hipped roof with central attic dormer

Notice of objection to this notice of intention to designate the property may be served on the Clerk of the Town of Aurora within 30 days after the date of publication of the notice of intention to designate in the local newspaper. This notice of objection must set out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts. If a notice of objection is received, the Council of the Town of Aurora shall consider the objection and make a decision whether to withdraw the notice of intention to designate the property or not.

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