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March 25, 2013

Ms. Beth Hanna, Executive Director
Ontario Heritage Trust
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

Dear Ms. Hanna:

Re: St. James Anglican Church – Heritage Act Designation

This is to advise you that Council passed the following by-law at its meeting held on March 18, 2013:

2013-35 A By-law to amend By-law Number 1980-260 of the City of Orillia, which designated St. James' Anglican Church as being of architectural and historical value or interest.

This by-law amends the original 1980 designation by-law to provide a corrected legal description while still protecting the St. James' Anglican Church property (58 Peter Street North).

Attached is a certified copy of the by-law, as amended.

Sincerely,

Gayle Jackson, C.M.O.
Deputy CAO/City Clerk

GJ:mw

Copy to: Ian Sugden, Director of Development Services
William Koughan, Solicitor

BY-LAW NUMBER 2013-35 OF THE CITY OF ORILLIA

**A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NUMBER 1980-260 OF THE CITY OF ORILLIA,
WHICH DESIGNATED THE ST. JAMES' ANGLICAN CHURCH AS BEING OF
ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL VALUE OR INTEREST**

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the City of Orillia ("City Council") passed By-law No. 1980-260, being a by-law to designate the St. James Anglican Church as being of architectural and historical value or interest pursuant to the *Ontario Heritage Act*, 1974, on the 8th day of September, 1980;

AND WHEREAS By-law No. 1980-260 contained an error in the legal description of the property to which By-law No. 1980-260 related;

AND WHEREAS City Council now desires to correct the legal description set out in By-law No. 1980-260 in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 30.1 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18 (the "Act");

AND WHEREAS City Council has consulted with the Orillia Municipal Heritage Committee respecting the proposed amendment, before giving notice of the proposed amendment to the owner of the property in accordance with Sec. 30.1 of the Act;

AND WHEREAS City Council has given written notice to the owner of the property designated in By-law No. 1980-260, in accordance with the requirements of Sec. 30.1 of the Act;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed amendment was filed by the owner of the property with the Clerk of the Corporation of the City of Orillia.

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ORILLIA HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT By-law No. 1980-260 is hereby amended by deleting Schedule "A" attached thereto and replacing it with Schedule "A" attached to this By-law.
2. THAT By-law No. 1980-260 is further amended by adding as Schedule "B" thereto the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and the description of heritage attributes for the designated property attached as Schedule "B" to this By-law.
3. THAT the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" attached hereto for the Land Registry Division for the County of Simcoe.

4. THAT the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "C" attached hereto for the Land Registry Division for the County of Simcoe for the purpose of confirming that By-law No. 1980-260 was never intended to, and does not, affect the lands described in Schedule "C" attached hereto.

5. THAT the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served upon the owner of the property described in Schedule "A" attached hereto, and the Ontario Heritage Trust.

BY-LAW read a first and second and third time and finally passed this 18th day of March, 2013.



MAYOR

DEPUTY CAO/CLERK

CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT
COPY OF BY-LAW NUMBER 2013-35



CITY CLERK

DATE March 26, 2013

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 2013-35 OF THE CITY OF ORILLIA

PIN 58667 0030 (R) being Lots 6 and 7, south side of Coldwater Road, Lot 7, Plan 8, save and except RO783883; Orillia

SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 2013-35 OF THE CITY OF ORILLIA

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value

St. James Anglican Church has been recommended for designation for architectural and historical reasons. This solid brick, Gothic Revival Church, was designed by W.H. Croker and built in 1891. The Sunday School addition was built in 1903. The first religious services in Orillia were held on this site and the present building is the third church on this location.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The structure is of a solid brick construction laid in a stretcher bond fashion, sitting on a cut stone foundation. Typically, the Church employs a Gothic Revival style, with a single offset tower on its front facade. The exterior walls of the Church are comprised of a variety of features which include buttresses, plinth, and elaborate corbelling and imbrication. Limestone is used to create several string courses, and to adorn the tops of the buttresses and exposed gable ends. All structural openings are gothic or centre pointed in shape. The building's larger windows employ limestone sills, quoins, radiating voussoirs, and labels which are finished with terra cotta rosettes.

The secondary windows maintain brick for the voussoirs and labels. Stained and leaded glass is used extensively throughout the Church. All entrances to the Church are marked with heavy wooden doors with gothic shaped transoms above. The narthex at the front of the Church was built in 1970, replacing a small porch. It was designed by Mr. Robert Sinclair, an Orillia architect, as a memorial to Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wright. Built largely of limestone and old brick, the upper walls have been constructed of wood and boast several leaded glass windows. The roof is gable shaped surrounded by decorative wood trim similar to that found on the eaves of the main Church structure. The roof of the Church is a steep gable with smaller cross gables. The roof line between the main gable and the bell tower consists of crenellated parapets made up of limestone blocks. The main gable itself is flanked by two large round brick and limestone projections. The spire is sheathed in slate and carved wood trim. Metal finials and crosses are used to decorate the spire and gable peaks.

The Sunday School Building was erected in 1903. This large two storey structure is also of a solid brick construction. The hip shaped roof has a large centre gable on each of its façades. Each corner of the building consists of a multi-storied bay; the main entrance is located at the base of one of these bays. All of the structural openings are either rectangular or centre pointed in shape. On the main façade there is one large gothic window in which the glass has been removed and replaced with wood and decorated with a wooden cross sometime during the 1950's. The only other changes to the exterior of the building are to the entrance where the main doors and steps have been replaced. The Sunday School Building is located off to the left and slightly behind the Church, and in 1956 an addition was designed by Switzer and West which joined the two structures together. Hardly visible from the street, this addition houses offices, parlor and a kitchen. Through the use of red brick the building has been incorporated with the original structures without creating a strong contrast.

SCHEDULE "C" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 2013-35 OF THE CITY OF ORILLIA

PIN 58667 0031 (LT) being part of Lots 7 and 8, south side of Coldwater Road, Plan 8, as in RO783883; Orillia