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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PERTH

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Notice of Intention to Amend Heritage Designations Bylaws

Bylaw 2381- McMillian Building
Bylaw 2439- Matheson House
Bylaw 2458 Sheriff House
Bylaw 2529- Rockcliff Cottage
Bylaw 2522 Farmers Block
Bylaw 2586- Town Hall
Bylaw 2785 St. James Church
Bylaw 2978 St. Andrew's Church
Bylaw 2980 Codes Mill

Pursuant To the Provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act R.S.O. 1990 Section 29, Section 30.1(2) to (10)

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Perth intends to amend Bylaw Numbers 2381, 2439, 2458, 2529, 2522, 2586, 2785, 2978, and 2980

The intent of the amendments to the bylaws is to clarify the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest, the description of heritage attributes, and legal descriptions of properties.

Further information is available upon request from the Heritage Manager, Karen Rennie at 613-267-1947.

Any notice of objection, setting out the reason for objection and all relevant facts, must be served upon the Clerk within 30 days of the first publication of this notice.

Dated at Perth, Ontario this 8th day of January, 2010 Lauren Walton, Clerk, Town of Perth 613-267-3311 ext. 2239

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PERTH

BY-LAW NO. 2381-1

A by-law to amend the Municipal Heritage Designation of the Perth Public Library By-law No. 2381

WHEREAS, Section 29 in Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, as amended, provides that the Council of a municipality may by by-law designate a property within the municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS Council wishes to bring the designation into compliance with the current standards for designation of heritage buildings as prescribed by the Ontario Ministry of Culture under the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND WHEREAS the Committee of the Whole has reviewed CoW Report 2010-4.UB.3 and concurs with staff and LACAC recommendations;

AND WHEREAS Council of the Town of Perth passed Motion #09-185 authorizing staff to publish the Notice of Intention to amend the designation;

AND WHEREAS on January 8th 2010, notice of intention to amend the heritage designation of the Perth Public Library was served on the property owner, the Ontario Heritage Trust, and published as per the Town's Public Notice Policy;

AND WHEREAS the public was provided an opportunity to object to the intention to amend the designation within 30 days of the notice, to the Clerk;

AND WHEREAS the Clerk has not received any objection to the proposed amendment to the designation as of February 8^{th} , 2010;

AND WHEREAS the Corporation of the Town of Perth is desirous of enacting such an amendment to the by-law regarding the Municipal Heritage Designation of the Perth Public Library.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Perth hereby enacts as follows:

1. That By-law No. 2381, be amended to remove in its entirety Section 1 and 2 and be replaced as follows:

The following property is hereby designated to be of cultural heritage value or interest:

PERTH HERITAGE DESIGNATED PROPERTIES

Building/Property Name: Perth Public Library

(currently known as the McMillan Building)

Address: 77 Gore Street East

Original Owner: The Corporation of the Town of Perth

Present Owner:

Date Built: 1907

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Architect/Contractor: Frank Darling of Darling & Pearson, Architects,

Toronto/Unknown

Original Use: Public Library

Present Use: Commercial

Designation: By-Law 2381 - January 27, 1981

Registration:

Description of Property:

A three storey, square plan, elaborately finished brick building with angled main entrance facing the north-east intersection of Gore and Basin Streets.

Statement of Cultural Value or Interest:

This building is the only institutional example of the Beaux Arts Style in Perth. It was erected as the Perth Public Library in 1907, with the assistance of a \$10,000 grant from the Carnegie Foundation. The third floor held meeting rooms and housed the Archibald Campbell Memorial Museum exhibits until they were moved to Matheson House in 1966. The building served as Perth's Library until January 1980 when a fire destroyed the contents. In 1981 the building was designated as a historical building. Local contractor, Mr. Gordon McMillan purchased the property and re-built the interior retaining all the significant elements of the exterior façades. The interior was altered to suit building codes and commercial demand and has housed a succession of commercial enterprises since 1984.

Typical of the Beaux Arts style, the building displays a highly visible central entrance flanked by temple-like side façades. Rectangular, mostly red brick, protruding yellow brick columns with Ionic stone capitals segment the two street façades and there are triple keystones above the round arched tops of the windows on the second floor. A deep, moulded wood course with protruding eaves and brackets above the second floor provides a base for a wide, boxed gable on each street façade with centered, circular window. White brick columns above the eave repeat the vertical lines of the lower columns on either side of the gables and the same brick is used in the balustrade, which caps the edge of the flat roof. The building is designed in red and yellow (buff) brick set on a purple-streaked sandstone base and modeled after the main office of the Bank of Montreal in Toronto (1885, Darling and Curry, architects), which is now the Hockey Hall of Fame.

Description of Heritage Attributes:

The entire exterior features merit retention or replacement in kind including but not limited to the following:

- · Red and buff brick walls, columns and balustrade
- · Purple-streaked sandstone base, coursing, keystones
- Wood frames windows of distinctive design and special configuration on each of the 3 levels
- · Temple-front façades with ionic columns, bull's eye windows and modillions

Legal Description:

- 77 Gore Street East (Gore and Basin Streets)
- · Part Lot 5 on North side of Basin Street
- Plan 8828 Cockburn Island, designated as part of Plan 27R-2103 (RP27R6566 Pt 1)
- Roll # 0921 020 045 018

References:

- Going to Town: Architectural Walking Tours in Southern Ontario; Katherine Ashenberg; Macfarlane, Walter & Ross, 1996
- Ontario Architecture: A Guide to Styles and Terms; John Blumenson; Fitzhenry & Whiteside, 1990
- Perth: Tradition & Lifestyle in Eastern Ontario; Larry Turner, 1998
- · Perth Library Vertical Files
- Perth Courier L.A.C.A.C. write-up of the McMillan Building January 9, 2002

Revised: December, 2008, by Sam Kingdon Further revised by L.A.C.A.C., June 2009 Read a first time, second and third time and finally passed this 16^{th} day of March, 2010.

John Gemmell, Acting Mayor

Lauren Walton, Clerk

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