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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. 2586-1

A by-law to amend the Municipal Heritage Designation of the Perth Town Hall By-law No. 2586

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 Town Hall 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 8th, 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 Town Hall.

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

1. That By-law No. 2586, 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 Town Hall

Address: 80 Gore Street East

Original Owner: The Corporation of the Town of Perth

Present Owner: As above

Date Built: 1863

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Architect/Contractor: John Power, Kingston / Alex. Kippen & Son, Perth

Original Use: Town Hall

Present Use: As above

Designation: National Historic Site National Heritage Sites and Monuments Board of Canada - 1984 By-Law No. 2586 - January 8, 1985

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Registration:

2.

Description of Property:

Prominently situated in the downtown area of Perth, this square, 2 storey public building combines a Palladian framework with Italianate detailing. Built in local sandstone, it has a slightly protruding frontispiece capped by an elaborate wood cornice, a boxed gable and tower/cupola. A storey and a half, centered rear extension completes the composition surrounded by Market Street at the entry to Stewart Park.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

As opposed to the many more simply designed stone buildings on Gore Street, the Town Hall is more imposing in scale and features an extensive amount of architectural detailing in both wood and stone. Examples of these embellishments include the vermiculated stone surrounds of the elongated round top windows, string coursing, prominent quoins and dentils, banded front entrance, large inset gable over the frontispiece, and the elaborate bell and clock tower/cupola assembly added in 1874. These details portray a building designed to distinguish a significant public edifice at the period of its construction. Major renovations in 2001/03 included exterior restoration work which was sensitive to the heritage values of the building.

Initially, the building housed the offices of the municipality and the Post Office and the entire second floor provided a large assembly hall for public meetings, concerts etc. The rear extension was designed to accommodate rental market stalls which, over time did not prove successful and it was converted for use by the fire and police departments, and the Perth Citizens Band. The fire and police departments moved to a new building on Rogers Road in 1999. It is noteworthy that the building has served as the Town Hall for almost 150 years.

Indicative of the heritage value of the building, the Town Hall was designated by the National Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada in 1984. A plaque commemorating this designation is prominently located near the main entry.

Description of Heritage Attributes:

Given its history and heritage recognition at both the local and national levels, the entire exterior details, materials and design merit conservation and replacement in kind when required. On the interior, the center hall and lobby plan and the open stairwell warrant the same attention.

Legal Description:

- 80 Gore Street East
- · Part of Lot 2, Concession 1 of the Township of Drummond, Lanark County
- Market Square Schedule "A"

References:

- Lanark Legacy; Howard Morton Brown; The Corporation of the County of Lanark; 1984
- Going to Town: Architectural Walking Tours of Southern Ontario; Katherine Ashenburg; MacFarlane, Walter & Ross; 1996.
- Algonquin College Paper; John Le; 1992.

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 16th day of March, 2010.

John Gemmell, Acting Mayor

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Lauren Walton, Clerk

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