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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. 2978-1

A by-law to amend the Municipal Heritage Designation of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church By-law No. 2978

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 Counci! 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 St. Andrews Presbyterian Church 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 St. Andrews Presbyterian Church.

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

 That By-law No. 2978, be amended to remove in its entirety Section 1 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: St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

Address: 1 Drummond Street West

Original Owner: Presbyterian Church

Present Owner: Presbyterian Church

Date Built: 1927/28

Architect/Contractor: Cecil Burgess, Architect/ Stewart Christie & Sons, Contractors

Original Use: Church

Present Use: Church

Designation: By-law No. 2978 - May 12, 1992

Registration:

Description of Property:

Prominently located on the south-east corner of Drummond and North Streets, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church is a Gothic Revival structure in local stone. The building is a raised cruciform in plan with an apse and narthex. It is anchored by a square tower in its north-west corner equal in height to the top of the steeply pitched roof, gabled on the Drummond Street façade.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

Built in 1927/28, this church building is a conservative example of the traditional Gothic Revival style prevalent in ecclesiastical architecture of the period. It is the descendant of three original Presbyterian churches in Perth. The first church was opened by the Reverend William Bell in 1819 at the corner of Drummond and Halton Streets. St. Andrew's, located at the corner of Drummond and Craig Streets opened in 1832. The third Presbyterian Church, Knox, is now known as St. Paul's United on Gore Street at D'Arcy. First and St. Andrew's amalgamated around the time of Rev. Bell's death (1857) and both buildings were destroyed by fire before the new St. Andrew's was built. The Merchants Bank building (originally the Commercial Bank of Canada) was used by St. Andrew's as a Sabbath School and as a Hall from 1921, and purchased from the Bank of Montreal on May 26th 1923. Though attached, this building is designated separately. The present structure is part of a streetscape of impressive late 19th and early 20th century buildings. The church contains numerous stained glass windows donated by parishioners and installed at the time of construction.

The interior has a nave, transepts, gallery and choir loft, with a total seating capacity of 636. The interior finish is a rough plaster, with open truss roof and purlins and trusses stained in chestnut brown.

On the St. Andrew's property, at the Drummond Street entrance, is a Province of Ontario historical plaque dedicated as a memorial to the Reverend William Bell, the first Protestant clergyman in Perth, arriving in 1817. He was one of the most influential Presbyterians in Upper Canada and ministered to the settlers in the Bathurst District for some 40 years. His journals are one of the most valuable records of life in the province in the first half of the 19th century.

Description of Heritage Attributes:

Major architectural elements which reflect the key attributes of this building are:

- The plan of the composition including the cruciform shape with apse and narthex.
- The castellated, square corner tower with double, lancet arch openings on the bell chamber.
- Moulded stone surrounds detailing the protruding gable of the west front elevation.
- Square-headed window openings on the sides of the nave enclosing triple segmented stained glass windows.
- · Moulded stone belt course at the main floor level.

Legal Description:

- 1 Drummond Street West
- Plan 8828
- Pt. Lot 5N Foster
- Assessment Roll # 030 055 010

References:

- 175 Years of Presbyterian History: St. Andrew's Church, Perth; compiled by J.R. Ernest Miller; 1992.
- Perth LACAC Research Papers
- Interview with Rev. Marilyn Savage

Revised: December 2008, by Sam Kingdon. further revised by LACAC May 6th, 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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