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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PERTH

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March 26, 2014

Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust, Heritage Programs and Operation ATTN: Mr. Jim Leonard 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

Re: Notice of Amendment to Five (5) Municipally Designated Heritage Properties

Dear Mr. Leonard,

The Town of Perth and the Municipal Heritage Advisory Panel (MHAP) have been working to update municipal heritage designations in order to bring them into compliance with the current standards for designations of heritage buildings as prescribed by the Ontario Ministry of Culture under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

As the Registrar for the Ontario Heritage Trust, the Town is hereby providing you with notice of the approved five (5) amendments, attached, to the following properties:

- 1. 2457-1 The John Hart House, 37 Herriott Street;
- 2. 2587-1 The Old Burying Ground (Craig Street Cemetery);
- 3. 2699-1 The Bandstand, 80 Gore Street East;
- 4. 2870-1 St. Paul's Old Methodist Burying Ground, and;
- 5. 2875-1 11 15 Mill Street.

The amendments clarify the Statement of Heritage Value or Interest and the Description of Heritage Attributes of said properties.

If you have any questions please contact Karen Rennie, Heritage Manager / Curator at 613-267-1947.

Sincerely,

Lauren Walton, Clerk

Encl.

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PERTH

BY-LAW NO. 2699-1

A By-law to amend By-law No. 2699, being a By-law regarding the Municipal Heritage Designation of the Bandstand located at 80 Gore Street East

Recitals:

- 1. 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.
- 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.
- The Committee of the Whole reviewed Report 2013-CoW-12.2 and Report 2014-CoW-4.UB.1 and concurs with the information presented.
- 4. The Council of the Town of Perth passed Motion #13-177 authorizing staff to publish the Notice of Intention to amend the designation.
- 5. On December 19th, 2013, Notice of Intention to amend the heritage designation of the Bandstand was served on the property owner, the Town of Perth, and published as per the Town's Public Notice Policy.
- 6. The public was provided an opportunity to object to the intention to amend the designation within thirty (30) days of the notice, to the Clerk.
- 7. The Clerk has not received any objection to the proposed amendment to the designation as of January 27th, 2014.
- 8. Council for The Corporation of the Town of Perth deems it advisable to pass this By-law.

Accordingly, the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Perth enacts as follows:

1. AUTHORIZATION

1.1. That By-law No. 2699, be amended in its entirety and be replaced with the following:

PERTH HERITAGE DESIGNATED PROPERTIES

Building/Property Name: Bandstand (Market Square)

(Commonly called the "The Bandstand")

Date.

Address: 80 Gore Street E (Market Square)
Original Owner: The Corporation of the Town of Perth

Present Owner: The Corporation of the Town of Perth

Date Built: 1931

Architect/Contractor: Supervised by W.G. Howie

Original Use: Bandstand Present Use: Bandstand

Date Designated: By-law No. 2699 - December 9, 1986

Registration: N/A

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Lauren Walton, Clerk

Town of Perth, County of Lanark

Reason for Designation:

A raised octagonal bandstand in the traditional style consisting of a base of local sandstone and concrete elements surmounted by a simply detailed wood structure. Since its erection, the bandstand has been the focus of concerts performed by the Perth Citizens Band on a regular basis each summer and a gathering place for many community events.

Statement of Cultural and Historical Value or Interest:

The Perth Citizens Band lays claim to being the oldest, continuously operating, Town band in Canada; having been formed in 1884. Several short-lived predecessors dated back to the 1850's. A plaque has been erected above the stairs of the Bandstand which reads "Since 1852" reflecting the Band's origins. The Band has established an enviable track record of musical variety and is one of the standing pillars among town arts organizations. It is committed to regular summer concerts as well as an annual Christmas concert and performances at Town events such as the Festival of the Maples, the Santa Claus Parade and the Perth Fair. In addition, the Band frequently acts as an ambassador of the Town in other Eastern Ontario communities. There is no doubt that it is a valuable contributor to the trademark of Heritage Perth.

The Bandstand was built in 1931 and officially opened on July 31st, 1931. It was designed and its construction supervised by the Town Foreman, Mr. W.G. Howie, using Town tradesmen, at a cost of \$1,700. A major renovation, in the same style and using many original elements such as the roof, took place in 1988 under the direction of Commonwealth Resource Management Ltd.

Architectural Value:

The bandstand is constructed on a raised concrete base in an octagonal form. The exterior of the base is dressed with rock-faced cut sandstone, broken coursed. Eight (8), similar stone column bases support slender, slightly tapered, wood columns. Low, decorated concrete walls fill the spaces between the columns except for an entry staircase protruding on the east side which is similar in construction and materials to the base walls and is decorated with cast concrete spheres. sSupported by large, simple wood beams with wide soffits, the roof is an eight-sided pyramidal form surmounted by a flag pole. A hardwood slatted ceiling curves downward and inward to a reverse peak in the centre - a unique feature of the design.

Heritage Attributes:

The octagonal shape of this composition is used in many of its elements and is the most significant feature of the structure. In addition to this aspect and its prime location in a park-like setting in the centre of Town, the following components are important in retaining its heritage character:

- > The rock-faced, local sandstone laid in a broken coursed manner.
- The simply detailed, low concrete walls.
- > The plain, undecorated columns.
- > The elaborate, re-curved wood ceiling
- > The medium pitched, pyramidal roof which evokes a circus tent.

Legal Description:

Part of Lot 2, Concession 1, Drummond Township, as in RS95484; Perth

References:

- Daphne Overhill; Sound of the Trumpet: The Story of the Bands of Perth 1852 – 2002; published by A. Rosenthal; 2002
- Perth Courier article: August 7, 1931



Revised:

• September 11, 2012

2. EFFECTIVE DATE:

2.1. That this By-law shall come into force and effect upon passage thereof.

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 25th day of March, 2014.

John Fenik, Mayor

Lauren Walton, Clerk

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