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**Town of Midland
Notice of Intention to Designate
422 King Street (Letherby Home)**

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Midland, on Monday June 23, 2014, resolved to issue a Notice of Intention to Designate **422 King Street (Letherby Home)** located being Part of Block A, Registered Plan 464, Town of Midland, County of Simcoe and being all of PIN 58463-0222, under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act R.S.O. 1990, c.18*, as a property of cultural heritage value and interest.

Description of the Property

Letherby Home is a two and a half storey residential brick building located on the west side of King Street, between Ellen Street and Hannah Street. The home was built prior to 1904, primarily in the Classical Edwardian architectural style. This architectural style is reflected by the smooth, red stretcher-brick walls, medium hip roof with multiple gables, large-paned sash windows with simple rectangular transoms and the shallow oriel portion of the facade. Additional significant features include the stone accents of the decorated lug sills, which show a transition from the earlier Queen Anne style, and the exceptionally large paired cornice brackets on the façade.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Letherby Home is strongly linked to Midland's lumbermill era as being one of four adjacent homes belonging to some of Midland's foremost lumber barons. The property was purchased by Edwin Letherby in 1903 and was sold upon his death in 1953. Mr. Letherby was a prominent lumberman including being president of both the Letherby-Terry-Nicholson Lumber Company and the Letherby and Sons Lumber Mill.

Letherby Home also has cultural heritage value for its contextual value. The property is located on the main street of the Town adjacent to three other heritage properties, together being known as the "Grand Homes of King Street". The four properties all contain large heritage homes and are of equal size, being significantly larger than other downtown residential properties. The properties also act as an entrance into Downtown Midland and are highly important to the character of this area.

The building has significant physical and design value for external and internal architectural features and elements. Interior elements include decorative hardwood floors, original doors and windows, five (5) fireplaces, five (5) stained glass windows, decorative moldings and spherical baluster tops on the servants' staircase.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Key exterior attributes that embody the cultural heritage value of Letherby Home and to be included in the designation:

- The 2¹/₂-storey form of the residence including scale, form and massing;
- 2-storey bay window structures on the south and east façades;

- Original structure materials including the red stretcher-brick façade and wooden trim for the north, south and east façades (west façade not included);
- Gables and pitch of the roof;
- Configuration of large pain sash windows and wood window frames (west façade not included); and
- Decorated lug sills and large paired cornice brackets (west façade not included).

Key interior attributes that embody the cultural heritage value of Letherby Home and to be included in the designation:

- Matching hardware present on first floor windows, doors and pocket doors;
- Decorative hardwood floors on the first floor;
- The pocket doors on the first floor;
- The spherical baluster tops on the servants' staircase;
- The five stained glass windows;
- The five fireplaces; and
- The decorative molding around the doors and windows of the third floor.

Objections

Pursuant to the *Ontario Heritage Act*, any person may, within thirty (30) days, present Notice of Objection to the proposed designation. All Notices of Objection must be presented in writing to the Town Clerk via registered mail or delivery to the Town Office, no later than **Monday, August 4, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.** Notices of Objection must include a statement of the reasons for objection as well as any relevant facts. The designation of 422 King Street will be considered at the Council meeting on Monday, August 25, 2014.

Notices of Objection may be directed to:

Laura Lee, Town Clerk

Town of Midland
575 Dominion Avenue
Midland, ON
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Detailed information regarding the proposed designation of the 422 King Street can be obtained by contacting the Town of Midland Planning and Building Services Department at (705) 526-4275, ext 2214 or planning@midland.ca.