### Heritage Committee Orientation Session



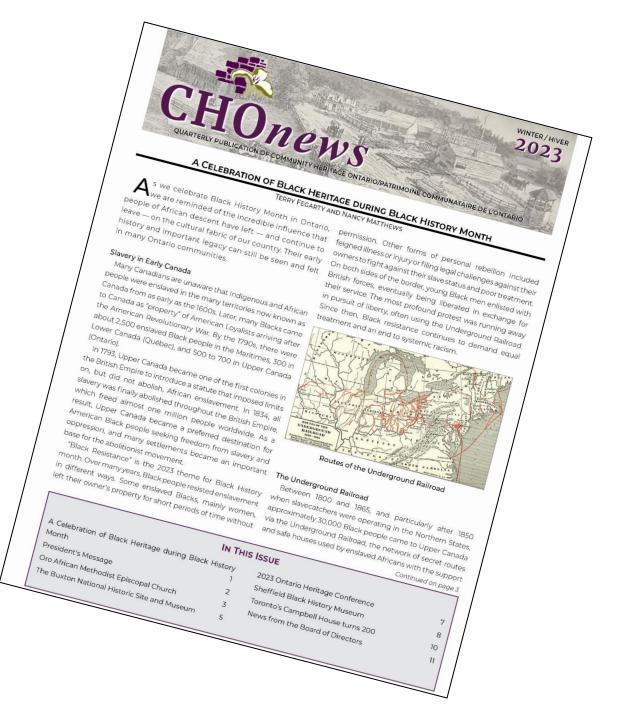
**CHO - PCO** Community Heritage Ontario Patrimoine communautaire de l'Ontario

2023

### **Introductions & Thanks**

• CHO

- Association of municipal heritage committees (MHCs)
  - Promote good heritage conservation practice among MHCs
- We are volunteers
- Annual conference London June 16 – 18, 2023
  - Encourage you to attend
    - Learn from others
    - Effect of OHA amendments
- Please renew your membership

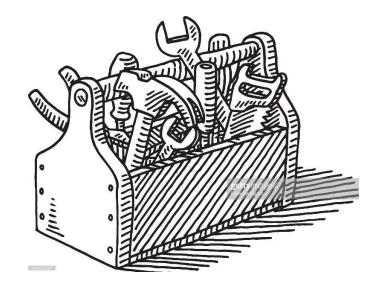


#### To assist:

- New Municipal Heritage Committee (MHC) members
- A refresher for existing MHC members
- All members in understanding recent Ontario Heritage Act (OHA) changes

### Takeaways:

- 1. Your role is important
- 2. There are many tools to protect heritage;
- 3. Each tool has strict process requirements;
- 4. Work with your Council & staff; and
- 5. Heritage conservation can be satisfying and rewarding.



### Scope of Session: (including recent changes)

- Background
- Role of MHC
- Heritage defined
- Council/staff relations
- Outreach/education
- Research
- Listing a Property in the Register
- Part IV Individual Property Designation
  - Designation
  - Alteration & Demolition
  - Amending or Repealing designation
- Part V District Designation
  - Designation
  - Alteration & Demolition

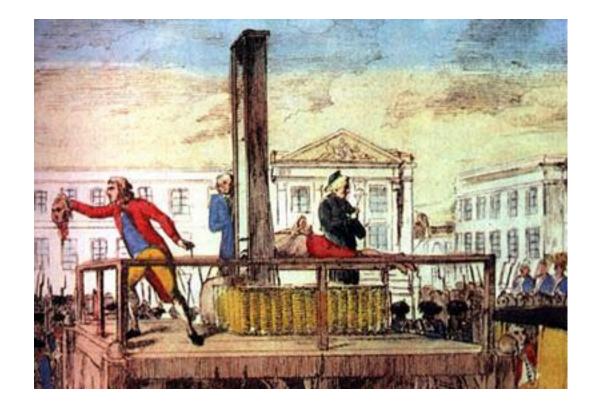
#### *If we have time:*

- Planning Policy & Application Reviews
- Heritage Easement Agreements
- Heritage Property Standards
- Grants & Tax Incentives

# Background

### Background:

- Welcome to heritage conservation
- It began in the late 1700s when many people lost their heads.



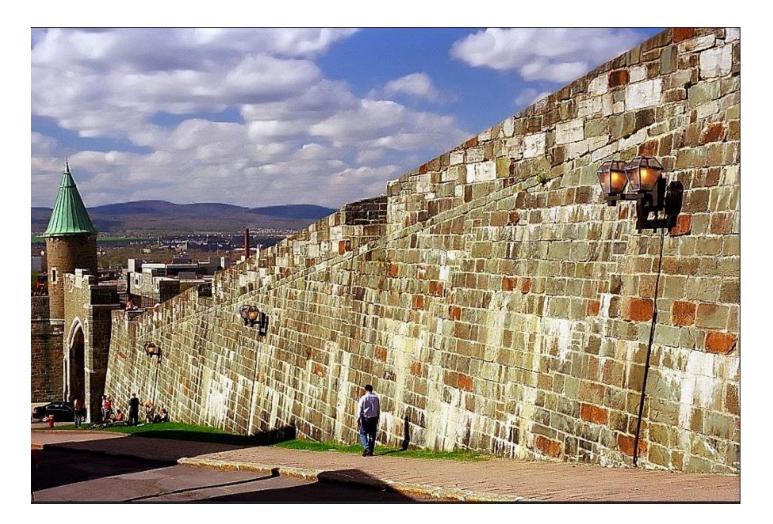
### Background:

- Heritage resources:
  - not just the wealthy, but workers who designed & built the resource, e.g., architects, masons, roofers, woodworkers etc. – many heritage values



### Background:

- In Canada began in the 1870s
- Governor General, Lord Dufferin, and a proposal to demolish Quebec City defense structures



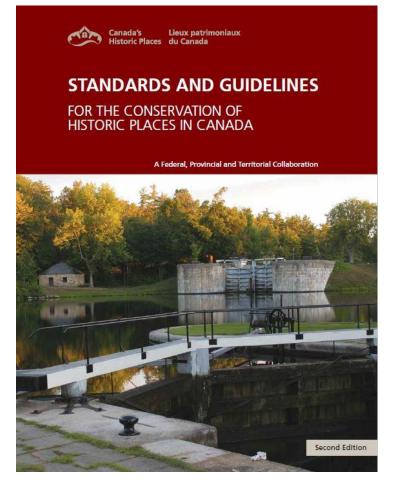
# Role of MHC

### The role of a MHC:

- To <u>advise</u> Council on <u>property based</u> heritage conservation matters
- OHA requires Council to consult its MHC on:
  - Listing in the Register;
  - Council's intent to designate an individual property (Part IV);
  - Council's intent to amend or repeal a designation (Part IV);
  - Proposed alteration of a designated property (Part IV);
  - Proposed demolition or removal of a building or structure on a designated property both individual and district designations (Parts IV of V);
  - Heritage Conservation District studies (Part V): and
  - Heritage Easement Agreements.
- Other matters in the municipal by-law or planning documents

### MHC members should be aware of:

- Municipal By-law establishing the MHC
- Ontario Heritage Act
  - Regulation 9/06 as amended Criteria for Designation
- Municipal Planning documents e.g. Official Plan
- Provincial guidelines & policies Ontario Heritage Toolkit (if updated) & PPS
- Standards and Guidelines
- Municipal protocols re: heritage
- Others?



## What is heritage?

### What Heritage do MHCs deal with?

- ONLY PROPERTIES -
  - Everything on and fixed to properties including:
    - Structures:
      - Main buildings such as houses, factories, stores, institutions
        - Exteriors and interiors
      - Accessory structures such as garages, sheds, gazebos
      - Monuments, bridges, ruins
      - Position of those structures on the property
      - Ornamental features & fixtures secured to the structures
    - Landscape features created by humans including:
      - Plantings, including planting beds, trees, bushes, grassed areas
      - Hard surfaces, e.g., roads, sidewalks, pathways
      - Design or inter-relationship of those features





### What properties are Heritage?

- OHA Regulation 9/06 as amended
  - 9 criteria for heritage values organized into 3 groupings:
    - Design or physical values
    - Associative or historical values
    - Contextual values
- Property must meet at least:
  - 1 of the nine criteria (new) if listed ;
  - 2 or more (new) if designated
- Note:
  - Age by itself is not a criteria for being heritage
  - Recently constructed structures / landscapes can be heritage

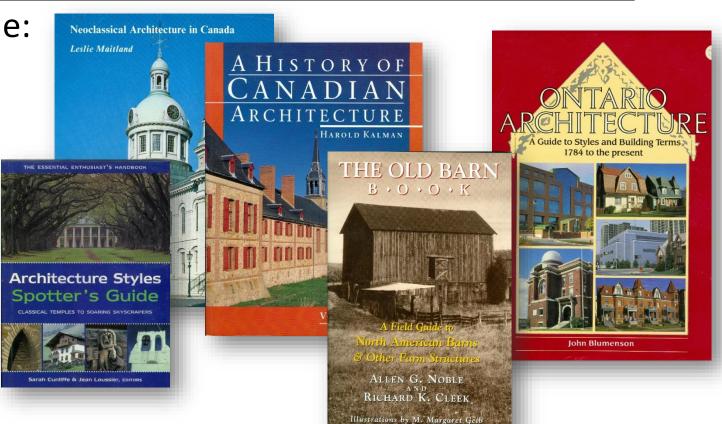
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1. Is a rare, unique, representative or early example of a style, type, expression or construction method

Representative example of style:



Caledon - Vernacular interpretation of Gothic Revival



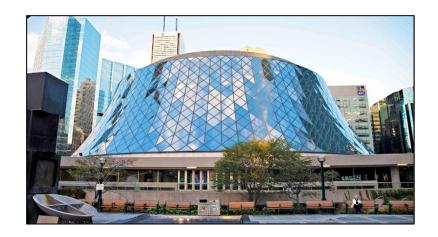
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Unique example of

type:





Modern architecture - Roy Thomson Hall – Toronto

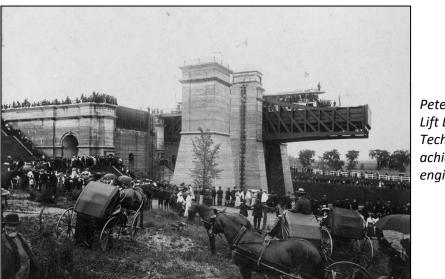


Deconstructivism architecture – OCAD - Toronto

### *Heritage Criteria* – Design or Physical Value

2. Displays a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit.





Peterborough Lift Lock – Technical achievement engineering

3. Demonstrates a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.

### Heritage Criteria –

#### Historical or Associative Value

4. Direct association with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization or institution significant to community:



5. Yields, or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture.

#### Heritage Criteria –

#### Historical or Associative Value

6. Demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer or theorist who is significant to a community

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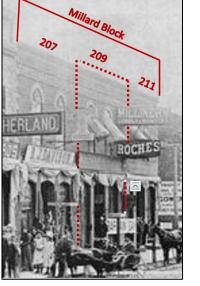


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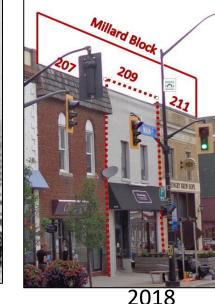
#### *Heritage Criteria* – Contextual Value

- 7. Is important in defining, maintaining or supporting the character of an area
- 8. Is physically, functionally, visually or historically linked to surroundings

Newmarket 209 Main St S supports area character & is linked to surroundings



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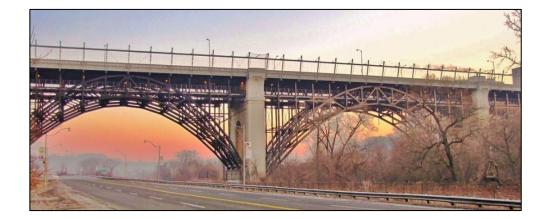




#### *Heritage Criteria* – Contextual Value

#### 9. Is a landmark





Toronto & Cobourg Prince Edward (Bloor Street) Viaduct; Cobourg City Hall -<u>Point of reference</u>; large, contextual <u>visual contrast</u>



# Council / Staff Relations

### Council / Staff Relations

- MHC communication to your Council:
  - Through a subcommittee of Council
  - MHC meeting agendas / minutes
  - Through the member(s) of Council on the MHC
  - Direct discussions with councillors who speaks for the MHC?
  - Reports to council
  - Through municipal staff
  - Other?

### Council / Staff Relations

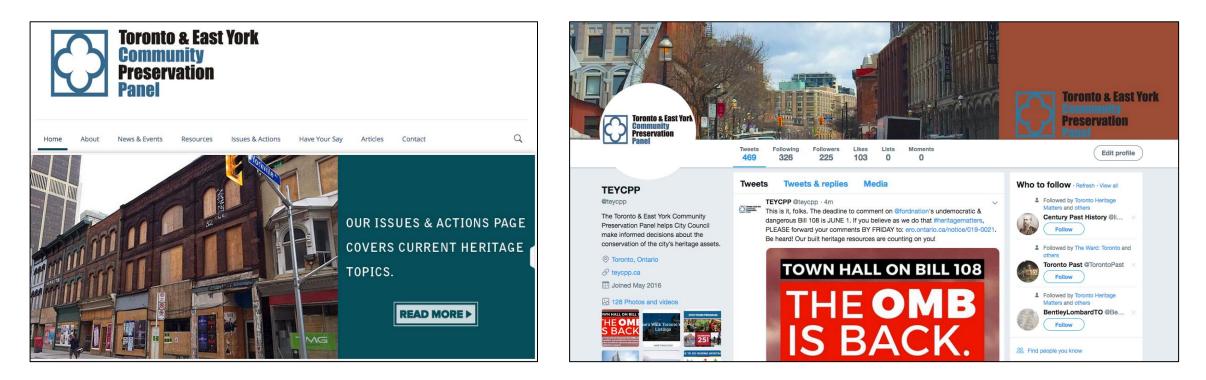
- MHC relationship with critical staff -
  - Clerk
  - Planning
  - Chief Building Official (building / demolition permits)
  - Culture / Recreation
  - Others?

- MHC public outreach / education program -
  - Not a requirement under the OHA
  - Purpose promote knowledge of the community's heritage
  - Target audience Heritage property owners, public, other?
  - Method of Delivery Brochures, Doors Open, Digital, seminars
  - Alliance with other organizations
  - Keep Council informed of your programs / involve Council
  - Successes
  - Lessons learned

- E.g., public talks and presentations in association with other municipal agencies (libraries, museums, historical/genealogical societies, neighbourhood groups)
- Goals creating interest in municipal heritage & value of conservation



- Utilizing social media all platforms
- Goal of transparency & encouraging engagement in process (Have Your Say")



- Collaborate with other agencies, stakeholders in holding local events
  - Doors Open
  - Jane's Walk
  - Forums, lectures, etc



Toronto's Cultural Heritage Landscapes

From Plan to Action

#### FORUM SPEAKERS: Carolyn King, former Chief

sissaugas of the New Credit First Nation

er Executive Director. Willowbank

I Urban Designer, ERA Architects chael Ormston-Holloway, Partner.

ephen Robinson, Senior Heritage Inner, City of Guelph

Mark Warrack, Manager, Culture and Heritage Planning, City of Mississauga

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Michael McClelland, ERA Architect nd Advisory Council of The Cultural andscape Foundation

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Paul Bedford, Urban Mentor, forme Chief Planner, City of Toronto

MODERATOR: Alex Bozikovic, Architecture Critic. The Globe and Mail SAT • NOV • 5

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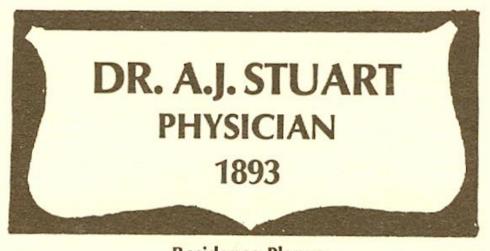
This is a FREE public event, but please REGISTER TO ATTEND online at tinyurl.com/TO-CHL

### Outreach:

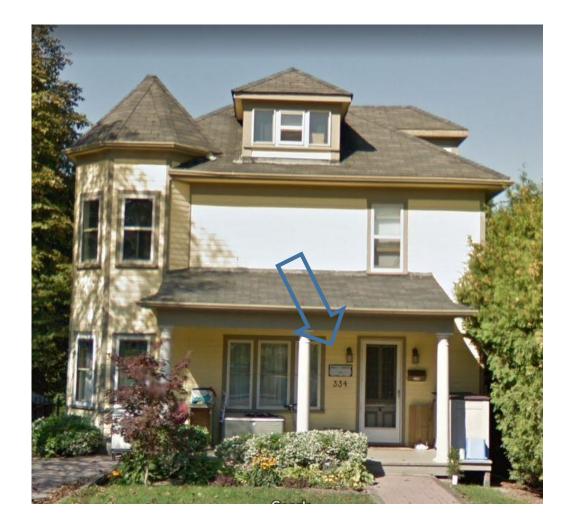
- Utilize local media form relationships with reporters, editors
- Focus on information issues (demolition by neglect, heritage policies, etc)
- Caution not critical of Council decision

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• Plaques - Newmarket



Residence Plaque 20" x 9½" 51 cm x 24 cm



• Plaques - Brampton





 Information Brochures -Ajax

#### Ontario Regulation 9/06: Criteria for determining cultural heritage value or interest

In order to be designated under Part IV (Section 29) of the Ontario Heritage Act, a property must be evaluated using a set of provincially regulated oriteria. If a property is deemed to satisfy one or more of the nine oriteria below, heritage designation is warranted.

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#### 3. Contextual Value

#### The property:

- is important in defining, maintaining or supporting the character of an area;
- is physically, functionally, visually or historically linked to its surroundings; or
- iii. is a landmark.

#### Where can I get more information?

For more information, contact the Town of Ajax's Heritage Planner at 905-619-2529 x3200 or heritage@ajax.ca. The Heritage Planner can also provide general information on heritage conservation and land use planning. Additional information can be found on the Town's website at ajax.ca.

#### Frequently Asked Questions from Property Owners

#### Will designation restrict interior renovations or the use of my property? Designation of interior features is very rare, so the vast majority of designated property owners are able to modify and redesign their interiors without seeking approval from the Town. Interior features are generally only included in designations for public buildings or in instances where an interior feature is on use or experial that if forms a critical

public buildings or in instances where an interior feature is so rare or special that it forms a critical component of the property's value. The use of your property is entirely regulated through the Town's Zoning By-Law, so hertage designation will have no bearing on the types of use that are permitted.

#### Will designation prevent future development on my property?

Designation will not prohibit development on your property but it will give the Town a role in determining the form and level of development that is appropriate. If the proposed development has the potential to impact the property's heritage attributes and/or value, the owner will have to hire a qualified heritage consultant to undertake a Heritage Impact Statement (HS) that will identify the impacts and provide recommendations for mitigation. The Town will consider the permit the development. There are many good examples in Ajax where designated heritage properties have been incorporated into new developments.

#### Will designation impact the real estate value of my property?

There have been relatively few studies conducted on this topic but those that have occurred in Ontario have demonstrated a positive relationship between designation and real estate value. Several studies conducted at the University of Waterloo have shown that real estate values for designated properties are more resilient in times of market fluctuation and can increase at a faster rate than non-designated properties.

#### Will being designated affect my property insurance?

The cost of your insurance is based primarily on two principles: the level of risk and the type of coverage. Older properties may be subject to higher risk due to antiquated systems and materials, so risk is likely to be higher regardless of whether they are designated. Similarly, some types of insurance, such as full replacement cost insurance, which provides for repair or replacement with "like kind and quality," can be more expensive than others. Since designation has no bearing on the type of coverage required, there should be no impact on insurance rates.

#### How can I have my property designated?

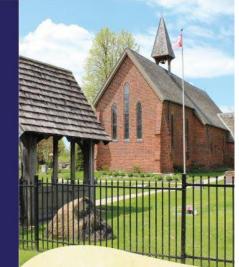
The first step is to contact the Town's Heritage Planner and to complete and submit a designation application form. Once the application is received by the Town, a Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report (CHER) will be commissioned. This CHER will be integral in influencing the Heritage Advisory Committee's recommendations on designation and Town Council's final decision. The designation process will take several months to complete and there will be no cost to the property owner.

#### Can my property be designated without my consent?

The OHA does not require that a municipality acquire a property owner's consent prior to designation. Despite this, the Town of Ajax has a practice of notifying property owners at the earliest opportunity of potential designation in attempt to gain their support. This also ensures that owners are actively engaged in the designation process and are able to collect any information that they may be seeking. In some cases where there are imminent threats of demolition or unsympathetic alteration, Town Council may have to act in the public interest, despite objections by the owner, to designate a significant heritage property.

#### Is it possible to have a heritage designation removed?

The OHA provides a clear process for the repeal of a designation by-law, so the potential to remove a hertage designation does exist. It is, however, very rare for a municipal council to support such a request. The powers to remove a hertage designation are typically reserved for scenarios where properties are severely damaged by fine or other natural forces and the features that encompassed their heritage value have been destroyed. If a request to remove a heritage designation is refused by Town Council, the property owner may appeal to Council for a hearing before the Conservation Review Board (CRB), an independent provincial tribunal.



Town of Ajax Designated Heritage Properties





# Research

#### Research:

- Stay Focused
  - Regulation 09/06 Heritage Values:
    - Design Value
    - Associative / Historical Value
    - Contextual Value
  - Heritage Attributes
- Stay Organized:
  - Recording sheet
  - Document Sources
- Understand municipal historical development
  - Place property in that context

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		Landscape	
		Context	
		Adjacent/Nearby	
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Registry Office	Abstract Index		
	Survey		
Land Survey			
Archives	Provincial		
	Local		
Library	Photographs		
	Local Histories		
Directories	1837		
	1843		

- Where is this property?
  - Street Address (can change)
  - Legal Description e.g., Lot & Plan No. or Concession
  - Assessment Roll Number
  - PIN (property Identification #)
- Sources:
  - Smith Falls Maps; Google Earth
  - Clerk's Office Current Assessment Roll
  - Registry Office on-line onland.ca



30 Russell Street East, Smith Falls – former Post Office Lot 240, North Side Russel Street, Plan 13884 Lanark S South Elmsley PIN 05277-0009

- Who owned this property?
  - Owner's name may not have lived in the property
- Sources:
  - Registry Books Abstract index to deeds & mortgages
    - Registry Office now on line onland.ca
    - Ontario Archives historical books
  - Clerk's office current assessment roll
  - Historic assessment/collectors rolls
    - Ontario Archives 1851 1956 (Pickering Township)
    - help determine who lived on property



#### Registry Books – Abstract index to deeds & mortgages

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#### Historic Assessment Rolls

- -residents
- property values
- pre 1851 buildings

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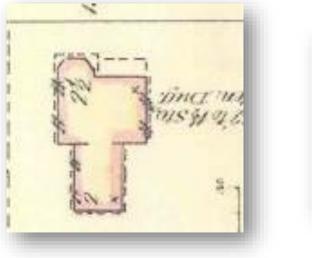
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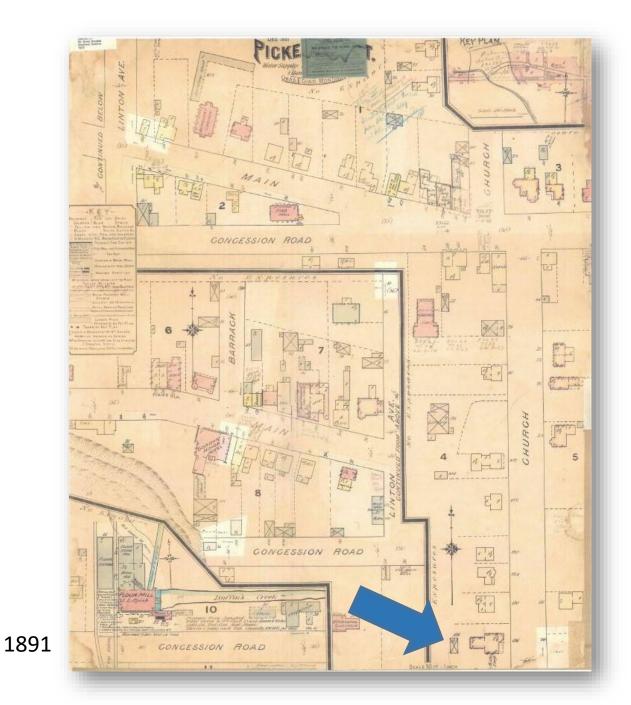
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    - Smith Falls 1916 & 1959 U of W. On archives;
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  - Historic aerial photographs



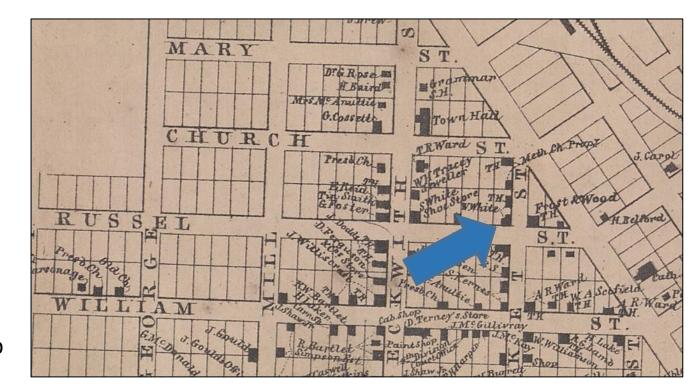
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County Map

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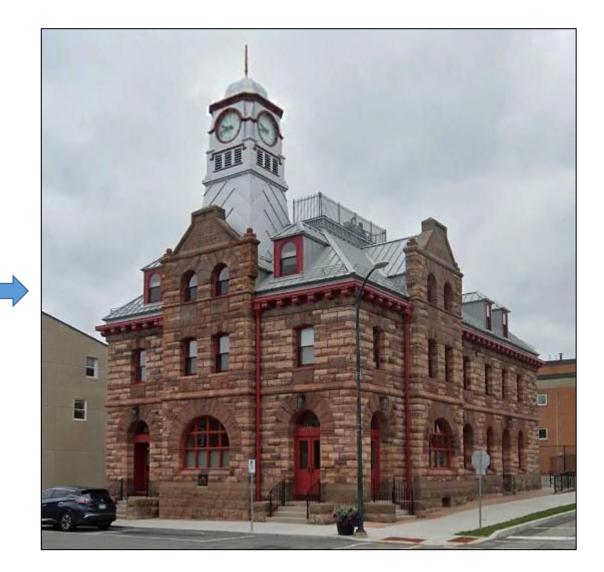
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  - Maps & insurance plans
  - Historic aerial photographs



1954

- Better photos in National Airphoto Library – 1925+

- What do the buildings and landscape look like?
- Sources:
  - Google Streetview
  - Your on-site photography
    - Do not venture onto property without owner's permission
- Significant landscape features



30 Russell Street East, 2019

- What do building interiors look like?
- Sources:
  - Websites
    - Realtors' website if property sold
  - Your on-site photography
    - Do not venture onto property unless you have the owner's permission

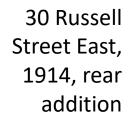


Recent interior view Peterborough House

- What did the buildings & landscape look like? – old photographs
  - note changes
- Sources:
  - Websites & digital archives
  - Museums
  - Local histories
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  - Libraries
  - Public Archives



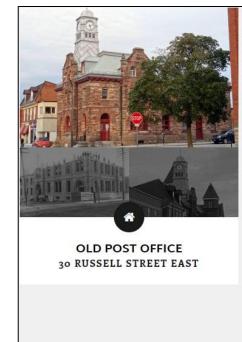
30 Russell Street East, 1901





- Check for prior research
  - Does the research confirm what you have found?

Municipal website – designated & listed properties



#### About the Property:

This building was designed by architect Thomas Fuller in the Romanesque Revival style, and was constructed for use as a post office in 1894. The original building was two and a half storeys with a single storey wing on the north end. In 1914 an addition on the north end filled in the corner of the courtyard and raised the L wing to two storeys. The clock tower was added in 1915.

The exterior of the building is of local red-brown sandstone on a foundation of Beckwith limestone, with red sandstone trim from New Brunswick. The front rectangle of the building presents a balanced façade, with a cottage roof of metal shingles and a belvedere on top with a flagpole. The heavy overhanging wood cornice is decorated with rounded brackets.

The building was up-to-date for its time, with electricity and indoor plumbing, and a coal furnace to heat the water. Originally the Post Office occupied the first floor and the second floor housed the Customs Office. The caretaker and his family lived in an apartment on the top floor.

The Post Office was closed in 1964, then bought by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Kingston in 1965. There was a separate high school for grades 11 and 12 on the first floor, a retreat on the second floor, and nuns' living quarters on the third floor. In 1977 the property was bought by Heritage Holdings. There are law offices on the first floor, and apartments on the second and third floors.

The old post office was designated a heritage property in 1978 for its historic and architectural value or interest.

- Other Sources:
  - Biographical Dictionary of Canadian Architects (on line) - George Thomas Martin; Thomas Fuller
  - Institutional/business archives
  - Local Newspapers
  - National & Provincial Archives
  - Cdn Inventory of Historic Bldgs Recorder
    - <u>http://ip51.icomos.org/~fleblanc/projects/1971-</u> <u>1979\_PC/p\_pc\_cihb\_inventory\_form.pdf</u>

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## Listing a Property in the Register

Protection – 60 day demolition delay – opportunity to decide if worth designating

#### • Legislation – OHA Section 27

- Clerk keeps the Heritage Register (may delegate to others)
- Register shall include all DESIGNATED properties
- Register <u>may include</u> property not designated but <u>Council</u> "believes to be of cultural heritage value or interest" – LISTED

kample of Heritage vister that	Street Address	Legal Description	Owner & address as per 2022 assessment roll	By-law number if designated, or date Council added property to Register if listed	Statement of Cultural Heritage Value & List of Heritage Attributes
ets legal irements	22 Main Steet	Part Lot 21, Plan 50	Joe Smith 22 Main Street	Designated - By-law 22-053	Refer to By-law
	23 Main Steet	Part Lot 22, Plan 50		Listed – Jan 21, 2022	

Registry <u>must</u> be published on **New** the municipal website

#### • *EFFECT* of a property LISTED in Register

- Delay in demolition 60 days notice to Council of a municipality
- Flag to municipality & other agencies that property may have heritage value

- Legislation:
  - Listed property must include a location description of the property
  - Must consider 'prescribed principles' 26.0.1
    - Not defined at this time ignore
  - Council must notify owner of listing within 30 days after inclusion in Register
  - Notice to property owner must include:
    - Why property of cultural heritage value or interest;
    - Owner may object to Council to listing with reasons for objection
      - No time limit for objection or number of times owners may object
    - Statement of effect of listing demolition delay
  - After filing objection, Council must decide on continued inclusion in Register
    - Provide notice to owner within 90 days of Council's decision

#### • New

- To be listed, property must meet one of the 9 criteria
- Listing expires after two years
- Cannot be relisted for 5 years

## Suggestions

- Recommend designation of priority listed properties within the next 2 years
  - Council must express its intent to designate within the 2 year period
  - Priority significance to community; possible threat of demolition
- For properties for which listing expires and are not designated
  - Include in a Council recognized Heritage Inventory referenced in municipal official plan
  - Does not protect against demolition

## • Municipal Experience:

- Who researches listed properties MHC, staff, consultants?
- Who initiates listing MHC, Council, public, planning application?
- Notify property owners? Who? When? Now required after Listing
  - Any additional municipal requirements?
  - <u>Suggestion</u> notify prior to taking to heritage committee and/or Council
- Handling objections?
- Scope of information:
  - Heritage values Reg 9/06? Now required
  - What structures / landscape features are significant *suggestion*
- Removal from Register- process?
- Emergencies how handled?

## Listing - Ajax – Heritage Register Experience

#### Ontario Regulation 9/06: Criteria for determining cultural

#### heritage value or interest

Non-designated properties being considered for listing on the Town's heritage register are evaluated using a set of provincially regulated criteria. If a property is deemed to satisfy one or more of the nine criteria below, listing on the heritage register is warranted.

#### 1. Design or Physical Value

#### The property:

- is a rare, unique, representative or early example of a style, type, expression, material or construction method;
   displays a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit: or
- iii. demonstrates a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.

#### 2. Historical or Associative Value

#### The property:

- has direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization or institution that is significant to a community;
- ii. yields, or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture, or
- iii. demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer or theorist who is significant to a community.

#### 3. Contextual Value

#### The property:

- i. is important in defining, maintaining or supporting
- the character of an area; ii. is physically, functionally, visually or historically
- linked to its surroundings; or
- iii. is a landmark.

#### Where can I get more information?

For more information, contact the Town of Ajax's Heritage Planner at 905-619-2529 x3200 or heritage@ajax.ca. The Heritage Planner can also provide general information on heritage conservation and land use planning. Additional information can be found on the Town's website at ajax.ca.

#### Frequently Asked Questions from Property Owners

#### Is special approval required to renovate or make changes to my listed property?

There are no special requirements for a listed property over and above those applicable to all properties in the Town. However, if a building permit is required for any renovation work, the Town's Heritage Planner may contact you to provide suggestions on how to ensure that the heritage value of the property is protected through the renovation process.

#### Will being listed prevent future development on my property?

Listing on the heritage register will not prevent future development on your property. However, if the Town receives a development application for your listed property, it may decide to proceed with a heritage designation which could influence the form and level of development that is permitted. There are many good examples in Ajax of new developments that incorporate heritage properties. It is the goal of the Town to balance the benefits of heritage conservation with those of new development.

#### Will being listed impact the real estate value of my property?

Listing on the heritage register should not impact your property's real estate value since the process of listing is purely an administrative one with no legal implications. Interestingly, however, studies conducted in Ontario involving designated heritage properties have demonstrated a positive relationship between designation and real estate value. These studies have shown that real estate values for designated properties are more resilient in times of market fluctuation and can increase at a faster rate than non-designated properties.

#### Will being listed affect my property insurance?

The cost of your insurance is based primarily on two principles: the level of risk and the type of coverage. Older properties may be subject to higher risk due to antiquated systems and materials, so risk is likely to be higher regardless of whether they have been listed on a heritage register. Similarly, some types of insurance, such as full replacement cost insurance, which provides for replac or replacement with "like kind and quality," can be more expensive than others. Since listing has no bearing on the type of coverage required, it should not have an impact on your insurance rate.

#### How can I get my property listed on the heritage register?

The first step is to complete and submit the required application form. Once the application is received by the Town of Ajax Heritage Planner, a summary report will be written that provides a recommendation to the Town's Heritage Advisory Committee. The matter will then be forwarded to Town Council for a final decision.

#### How can I get my property removed from the heritage register?

To initiate this process, the applicant must complete and submit the required application form along with any required reports. Once the application package is received by the Town of Ajax Heritage Planner, a summary report will be written that provides a recommendation to the Town's Heritage Advisory Committee. The matter will then be forwarded to Town Council for a final decision. Applications for removal must be supported by a Cultural Heritage Levaluation Report (CHER) completed by a qualified heritage consultant. The Town will only support the removal a property from the heritage register if it is demonstrated that the property does not possess heritage value.

#### How do I go about demolishing a building on my listed property?

Anyone wishing to demolish a building on a liated property must complete and submit a Notice of Intention to Demolish application to the Town along with any required reports. Once this application package is received, the Town has 60 days to determine whether or not to proceed with heritage designation under the OHA. If the Town does not pursue heritage designation, a demolition permit can be submitted to the Town following the expiration of the 60-day period. In the event that the Town does pursue heritage designation, the applicant will be bound by the requirements of the OHA.



#### Town of Ajax Non-Designated ("Listed") Heritage Properties



## Listing - Ajax – Heritage Register Experience

#### 34 Arnold Estate Lane

Name: The Arnold Estate Year Built: 1867 Historic Use Category: Residence Historic Use Type: Single Dwelling Style: Georgian Structure Type: Masonry - Stone Cladding: Stone - Dressed Heritage Status: Heritage Inventory

#### Design/Physical Value:

- 2-storey, 5-bay rectangular-plan main house with single-storey rear and west wings, all constructed of dressed fieldstone
- Original single-storey house was modified in 1924 with the addition of a second storey to give a traditional Georgian appearance
- Gabled roof is clad in imitation slate, includes bell-cast eaves and reveals stone chimneys at both ends
- Main entrance includes half-sidelights and a brick lintel under a gabled portico with columns executed in the Doric order
- Value exists in craftsmanship and as a rare two-storey stone dwelling Historical/Associative Value:
- Built by wealthy Irish businessman William Wright in 1867 on lands purchased from Major John Smith in 1829
- Sold to John Fothergill in 1908 and Harry & Irene Arnold in 1924 (\$25k) Contextual Value:
- The property originally fronted on Kingston Road but is now located within a condominium development with a small parkette to the west
- Front entrance is located on a cul-de-sac and is marked by a plaque
- Layout of Arnold Estates preserves visual connection to Kingston Road





View of northwest corner (2016

## 34 Arnold Estate Lane



ii. yields, or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture, or

iii. demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist. builder, designer or theorist who is significant to a community.

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iii, is a landmark.



## Listing in the Heritage Register - Cautions

#### • Cautions:



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: 181 and 183 COLLEGE STREET (REASONS FOR INCLUSION)

The properties at 181 and 183 College Street are worthy of inclusion on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register for their cultural heritage value, and meet Ontario Regulation 9/06, the provincial criteria prescribed for municipal designation, which the City also applies for inclusion on its Heritage Register. This assessment indicates that the properties meet the criteria under design and contextual values, and further research may identify additional values, including associations with communities, individuals and architects.

Description

The properties at 181 and 183 College Street were identified for their potential cultural heritage value in the College Street Study Official Plan Amendment adopted by the City of Toronto in 2017.

Located on the south side of the street between McCaul and Henry streets, the properties at 181 and 183 College Street contain a pair of semi-detached house form buildings that were first recorded as "unfinished" in 1886 in the City Directory. Occupied the following year, the dwellings were later converted for mixed residential and commercial uses.

Statement of Significance

The properties at 181 and 183 College Street have design value as surviving examples of late 19th century house form buildings on College Street, west of McCaul Street, with detailing from the popular architectural styles of the Victorian era, including the Italianate and Gothic Revival. Placed in the centre of a trio of semi-detached house form buildings that were constructed together, the pair is further distinguished by the surviving decorative wood detailing in the gables.

Contextually, the properties at 181 and 183 College Street are valued for their role in defining, supporting and maintaining the historical character of College Street, west of McCaul Street, which originally developed as a residential neighbourhood. With their later conversion for mixed commercial and residential uses, the buildings reflect the ongoing evolution of the thoroughfare.

The buildings at 181 and 183 College Street are historically, visually and physically linked to their setting where they are part of a series of complementary late 19th century house form buildings adjoining both sides of the intersection with Henry Street.

Heritage Attributes

The heritage attributes of the building at 181 and 183 College Street are:

 The setback, placement and orientation of the buildings on the south side of the street between McCaul and Henry streets

 The scale, form and massing of the 2½-storey plans above the raised stone bases Inclusion on Heritage Register - College Street Properties

Toronto developers accused of carrying out 'stealth' demolitions amid heritage-designation backlog





## Listing – Demolition Application

- Council must approve any structure demolition on a listed property
  - Cannot delegate to staff
- Council can specify information to accompany demo application
  - E.g., plans, reasons for demo, heritage impact assessment
- Council decision within 60 days of Council notification or demolition deemed approved
- Useful to know in advance what structures on the property have heritage value
- If Council wishes to refuse the demolition, it must express its intent to designate the property under Part IV of the OHA within the 60 days

## Listing – Expiry after 2 years

 Council must express its intent to designate under OHA Part IV before the 2 years expires if it wishes to prevent any future demolition on the property

### • NOTES:

- Council can express its intent to designate any property, even ones removed from the Registry, at any time
- Properties do not have to be listed for Council to express its intent to designate
- Provincial and Federal properties may be listed, but cannot be designated
  - Council considers they have heritage merit should the Feds or Province sell them

*Protection –Council can manage change to property's heritage attributes* 

- Legislation OHA Sections 29, 30 & 33:
  - Council may designate if property meets two (new) prescribed criteria Reg 9/06
  - Council must consult with MHC prior to expressing intent to designate
  - Notice intent to designate Owner, Trust & published in newspaper
    - Property location; statement of value & heritage attributes; notice
  - Council passes by-law
  - 2 stage objection by owner process
    - 1. to Council on notice of intent to designate
    - 2. to Local Planning Appeals Tribunal (LPAT) after designation
- **<u>EFFECT</u>** starting from notice of intent to designate
  - Prior permits permitting alterations or demolition are void
  - No owner may alter or demolish affecting <u>heritage attributes</u> without Council approval

### • Legislative Requirements:

- Must consider 'prescribed principles' Not defined ignore
- Council may not designate 90 days after 'prescribed event'
  - Generally after submission of a <u>complete</u> planning application
- By-law must contain:
  - statement of cultural heritage value and heritage attributes
- must comply with 'prescribed requirements' and therefore contain: Municipal address less labeled
  - {Municipal address, legal description (Inc. PIN)} and {location within municipality
- Schedule B
  Identify area of property that has cultural heritage value by site plan, drawing or description
  Identify which 09/06 criteria are met
  Description of heritage attributes and how each attribute contributes to the cultural heritage
  - - value

- Legislative Requirements objections / appeals:
  - Two stage process:
    - Council expresses intent to designate
      - When Council publishes intent to designate owner has 30 days to object to Council:
      - Council must decide whether or not to withdraw notice of intent to designate in 90 days
    - Council passes designation by-law if it does not withdraw intent
      - Must pass within 120 days of publication of intent to designate unless 'prescribed circumstance' exists
      - Publishes notice of passage of by-law
      - Owner may appeal to LPAT within 30 days of published notice
        - LPAT holds hearing
        - issues a final decision dismissing appeal or directs Council to repeal by-law in whole or part as determined by LPAT

## • Municipal Experience:

- Who researches properties for designation MHC, staff, consultants?
- Who initiates designation MHC, Council, public, applicant for development?
- Does Council have additional property notification requirements?
- Who prepares designation By-law?
  - Legal description of property
  - Statement of heritage value and list of heritage attributes
- How do you put it forward to your Council?
- Emergencies how handled?
- Appeals who goes to LPAT?

## Designating a Property - Part IV – West Grey



Carnegie Free Library 240 Garafraxa Road North, Durham





## Designating a Property - Part IV – West Grey

#### SCHEDULE B TO

THE BY-LAW

Durham Carnegie Free Library – Reasons for Designation (Statement of Significance)

#### 6 of 9 Criteria met & general

location

Design values 🔶

Associative values

Contextual values

Heritage Attributes Description The property at 240 Garafraxa Street North is worthy of designation under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act for its cultural heritage value, and meets six of the nine heritage value criteria for municipal designation prescribed by the Province of Ontario under the three groupings of design, association and contextual as described in the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value below. Located on the west side of Garafraxa Street North, north of George Street West immediately north of the Knox United Church in the community of Durham, the Durham Carnegie Free Library, built 1911 to 1912, is a 1 storey institutional building constructed as an area library and meeting room.

#### Statement of Cultural Heritage Value

**Design Values:** The Durham Carnegie Free Library (the Building) meets the <u>1<sup>st</sup> criteria</u> as a well preserved, representative example of a stone and brick, Beaux-Arts Classical Revival style, institutional building in the community of Durham. The Building meets the <u>2<sup>nd</sup> criteria</u> as it exhibit a high degree of craftsmanship in the exterior and interior detailing.

Associative Values: The Building meets the 4<sup>th</sup> criteria through its association with an international organization significant to the community. It was constructed for the Town of Durham in response to a \$8,000 grant from the Carnegie Foundation for the construction of a free, public library. The Foundation, founded in 1905, is a philanthropic organization established by the American industrialist, Andrew Carnegie, which, in the early twentieth century, provided grants to municipalities in the English-speaking world for the construction of free public libraries to further Carnegie's belief of a society governed by meritocracy through self-education. The Building was used as the community library from its opening until 2017. The Building, in its original location facing east, retains the architectural features required by the Carnegie Foundation and in particular, James Bertram, Carnegie's secretary.

The Building meets the <u>6<sup>th</sup> criteria</u> as it was designed by the Guelph Architect William Austin Mahoney (1871 – 1952), a provincially and locally significant architect. It was constructed by builders who were significant to the community - Hugh McDonald (masonry) and George Kress (carpentry) on land that had been donated to the Town by a mayor, David Jackson Jr.

**Contextual Values:** The Building, located immediately north of the Knox United (originally Presbyterian) Church, meets the <u>7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> criteria</u> through its historic contribution to, and strong visual presence on, the streetscape of this predominantly residential area just north of the commercial core of Durham.

#### Heritage Attributes

Each exterior heritage attribute of the property 240 Garafraxa Street North listed below is indicative of the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> criteria (design and associative values) as they are part of the original building design while the third heritage attributes also relates to 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> criteria (contextual values) :

- The 1-storey institutional Building on a raised basement
- The scale, form, height and massing of this square Building on a rectangular-shaped lot
- The setback of the building from the street
- The broken coursed, cut limestone basement and the red brick clad first floor; the latter with banding on the principal (east) elevation
- The low pitched, black asphalt shingled, hip roof with its projecting, plain wood clad eaves on the main Building and on the portico
- The symmetrical arrangement of the principal (east) elevation with the central entrance, positioned mid-way between the basement and the first floor, flanked on either side by pairs of window openings on the first floor and the basement
- The central portico on the principal (east) elevation, which shelters the front entrance, with arched openings with stepped concrete voussoirs on the three sides, lonic columns and pilasters on red brick piers supporting the portico and key-stone cartouche in the east opening
- The straight staircase and plain concrete balustrade leading to the portico and the front entrance
- The first floor large rectangular window openings with one over one wooden sash and transom above and concrete lug sills on all elevations
- The concrete lintels over all window openings except those on the first floor of the principal
  elevation where there are large stepped voussoirs over the semi-circular window openings
- The shorter window openings on the basement with one over one wood sash
- The wide front entrance opening with its semi-circular head, door leafed door and semi-circular transom

Each interior heritage attribute listed below is indicative of the  $1^{st}$ ,  $2^{nd}$ ,  $4^{th}$  and  $6^{th}$  criteria as they are associated with the designs of the architect W. A. Mahoney and the requirements of the Carnegie Foundation:

#### On the fist floor:

- The high ceilings
- On all windows wood casings and sills
- Around all door openings wood casings
- The wood framed, glass paneled swinging doors from the vestibule to the first floor
- All baseboards and chair rails
- The pair of tapered, square, paneled wood columns immediately west of the entrance vestibule
   The moulded wood casing at the base of the arched and straight openings, that latter supported
- The moulded wood casing at the base of the arched and straight openings, that latter supported by the pair of square columns,
- The paneled doors to the office and to the basement staircase

#### In the basement:

- The staircase leading from the first floor to the basement, including newel posts, balusters, hand
  rail, string course, treads and risers
- The door and wall of the basement entrance vestibule
- On all remaining windows wood casings and sills

#### Heritage Attributes

# Altering a Designated Property – OHA Part IV

*Protection – Managing change to property's heritage attributes* 

- Legislation OHA Section 33:
  - Council approval required to alter heritage attributes
  - Application for a Heritage Permit to alter
    - with plans as required by Council and as prescribed by regulation (385-21) *NEW*:
      - Applicant name, address & contact info
      - Municipality
      - Description of the property subject to the application
      - Photographs showing existing condition
      - Site plan showing location of alteration
      - Drawings of the proposed alteration
      - Reasons for the alteration
      - All relevant technical studies
      - Any additional information required by municipal by-law

- Legislation OHA Section 33:
  - Application for a Heritage Permit to alter:
    - Council issues notice of complete application within 60 days application commenced 'as determined by regulation' – date when Council receives application
    - Council, after consulting with its MHC, must decide within 90 days of notice;
    - Council must render a decision even if the application is not complete
      - Within 150 days of application commenced
    - No decision within time limits, application deemed approved
  - Council may:
    - Approve
    - Approve with conditions
    - Refuse

- Council may delegate its approval authority to municipal employee
  - Approval often based on conformity to Cdn Standards and Guidelines
  - Refusal of application normally a Council decision
- Council issues notice of its decision
- Applicant may appeal Council's decision to LPAT
  - Appeal within 30 days of Council's notice of its decision
- Appeal referred to LPAT which holds hearing & issues decision
  - Dismiss appeal
  - Approval appeal in whole or part and so direct municipal council

## • Municipal Experience:

- Who deals with the applicant in preliminary meeting MHC, staff?
- What does your Council require to accompany an application to alter?
  - Anything in addition to provincial regulation?
- Do you have a formal heritage permit process?
- Has your Council delegated approval of alterations to staff?
- Who prepares the report to Council on the application?
- Have you negotiated conditions on past approvals to alter?
- Appeals who goes to LPAT to defend Council decision?

### Altering a Part IV Designated Property

#### • Things to consider:

- Are the alterations:
  - SYMPATHETIC to the property's heritage value?
  - SUBORDINATE to the property's heritage?
  - COMPATIBLE to the property's heritage values?
  - Compliant with the Cdn Standards & Guidelines for Historic Buildings?
- Are there options which would achieve the owner's objectives but be better for the property's heritage values?
- Are the alterations reversible?
- Do the alterations restore documented heritage features?

### Altering a Part IV Designated Property -Georgina





Proposal – Rear Addition on a farm property

### Altering a Part IV Designated Property -Georgina

- Conditions of Approval
  - Heritage Easement Agreement
  - Amend designation by-law to include landscape features
  - Resolve condition issues on heritage building
  - Maintain views of house from main road landscaping
  - Financial guarantees



# Demolition on a Designated Property – OHA Part IV

Protection – Council can prevent demolition but owner can appeal to LPAT

### Demolition on a Part IV Designated Property

- Legislation OHA Section 34:
  - Council approval required for demolition or removal of <u>any structure</u> on a Part IV designated property
  - Application to demolish Heritage Permit
    - With 'prescribed information' *NEW* (regulation 385/-21) & other Council requirements
      - Applicant name, address & contact info
      - Municipality
      - Description of the property subject to the application
      - Photographs showing existing condition
      - Site plan showing location of demolition
      - Drawings of the proposed demolition
      - Reasons for the demolition
      - All relevant technical studies
      - Any additional information required by municipal by-law

### Demolition on a Part IV Designated Property

- Legislation OHA Section 34:
  - Council issues notice receipt of complete application within 60 days application served on Council
  - Within 90 days of notice, Council, after MHC consultation, decides & issues notice of decision:
    - Approve
    - Approve with conditions
    - Refuse
  - If application not complete, Council must decide within 150 days application began
  - Failure to decide within timelines, demolition deemed approved
  - Council <u>cannot</u> delegate demolition to staff
  - Applicant may appeal Council's decision to LPAT within 30 days of notice of decision
  - LPAT which holds hearing & makes final decision in an order to municipal council
  - If demolition approved, Council must consider whether repeal of all or part of designation by-law is required

### Demolition on a Part IV Designated Property

#### • Municipal Experience:

- Who deals with the applicant in preliminary meeting MHC, staff?
- What does your Council require to accompany an application to demolish?
  - In addition to the information required by regulation?
- Do you have a formal heritage demolition permit process?
- Who prepares the report to Council on the application?
- Have you negotiated conditions on past approvals to demolish?
- Appeals who goes to LPAT to defend Council's decision?

### Amending or Repealing an individual Heritage Property By-law – OHA Part IV

*Outcome – Heritage protection removed* 

### Amending or Repealing a Part IV Designation

- Legislation OHA Section 30.1 (Amending), 31 (Repeal):
  - Council approval required to amend or repeal a Part IV designation by-law
  - Amendment process not required:
    - To clarify or correct statement of cultural heritage value or list of attributes
  - Amendment process: with time limits
    - Notice to property owner
    - Consult with MHC
    - Owner may object; if Council does not withdraw, appeal to LPAT
  - Repeal process: with time limits
    - Notice to property owner & publish in newspaper
    - Consult with MHC
    - Anyone may object; if Council does not withdraw, appeal to LPAT
  - LPAT
    - Holds hearing
    - Renders final decision and orders Council as appropriate

# Designating a Heritage District – OHA Part V

Protection – Manages change for a group of heritage properties, including public properties; municipality may not pass by-law contrary to the HCD Plan

- Legislation OHA Part V, Sections 39 41
  - Municipal decisions under Part V comply with prescribed principles (ignore)
  - Municipality may undertake study of area for HCD *recommended* 
    - Section 40 (2) defines scope of study:
      - Area character
      - Boundary
      - Objectives of designation and context of HCD Plan
      - Changes to municipal official plan and by-law
    - MHC must be consulted on HCD study
  - Municipality may restrict alterations, demolition and new buildings in study area for up to 1 year
    - Subject to appeal to LPAT
    - *Not recommended* unless there is an emergency

- Legislation OHA Part V, Sections 39 41
  - Municipality may designate an area as a HCD
    - Must inform the public and have at least one public meeting
    - New at least 25% of properties in HCD meet to of the criteria of 09/06 as amended
      - Not every property in an HCD has to have cultural heritage value
      - Non-heritage properties HCD Plan would have policies to ensure replacement buildings fit into the HCD
    - MHC must be consulted on HCD designation
    - Subject to appeal LPAT
  - Municipality must have policies in its Official Plan permitting HCDs

- In designating a HCD, the municipality must also adopt a HCD Plan
  - Plan content defined by OHA 41.1 (5)
    - Statement of HCD objectives
    - Statement of cultural heritage value of interest
    - Heritage attributes of the HCD and properties in the HCD
    - Policy statements, guidelines and procedures for managing change
    - List of minor alterations that do not require a heritage permit
    - Plan should address public areas streets, sidewalks, parks, etc.

• **EFFECT** - Once the HCD established, a heritage permit required for:

- Exterior alterations;
- Erection, demolition or removal of any heritage attribute of a property
- Municipality may not pass by-laws or undertake works contrary to HCD plan

- HCD do not have to be large areas For example:
  - Brock Avenue in Centre Wellington Township (Fergus) 6 properties & street





# Altering a Property in a Heritage District – OHA Part V

Protection – Manage change consistent with the District Plan

### Altering a Part V Designated Property

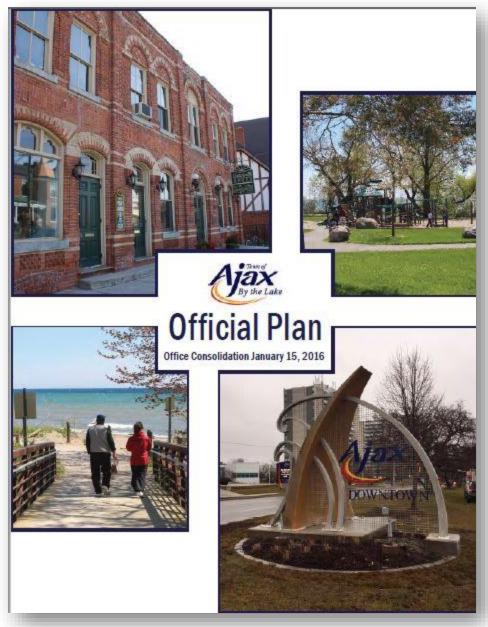
- Legislation OHA Section 42:
  - Council approval required to alter a Part V designated property
  - Application for a Heritage Permit to alter
    - with plans as required by Council and as prescribed by regulation (unknown at this time)
  - Council issues notice receipt of complete application
  - Council must decide within 90 days of notice or alteration deemed approved;
    - No consultation with MHC required
  - Council may:
    - Approve
    - Approve with conditions
    - Refuse
  - Owner may appeal Council's decision to LPAT, which renders final decision

# Planning - Policy & Applications

Effect: Municipal Planning can support heritage conservation

### Planning - Policy Reviews

- Official Plan & other Planning Instruments
  - When reviews are undertaken, seek input into planning documents that may have heritage implications
  - Can recommend amendment to existing policies



### Planning - Application

- Planning Development Applications
  - Monitor applications affecting properties on heritage register
    - Some municipalities require heritage impact assessments with application
      - Assesses impact on heritage values
      - measures to address adverse impacts
  - Be prepared to respond quickly
    - Can include recommendations for:
      - modifications
      - Conditions
      - Must be based on heritage issues





Protection – Strongest tool for protecting a heritage resource

- Legislation OHA Section 37:
  - Council may pass by-laws for heritage easements
    - Enter into with the consent of the owner usually in connection with:
      - A planning application
      - A grant
      - Property tax relief
      - Sale of surplus municipal heritage property
    - Placed on title
    - Runs in perpetuity
    - Municipal enforcement
    - Decision of council final; no appeal
    - Municipality must consult with its MHC

#### • Content:

- Reasons for identification
- Photographs
- Required maintenance & repair by owner
  - Maintain in a state of good repair
- Permitted alterations
- Property be insured
  - Municipality a named party
  - Proceeds used to restore/reconstruct
- Municipality may reconstruct if owner fails; charge to owner
- Control signage
- Allow Possible heritage plaque on property

• Examples:



Maple Leaf Gardens, City of Toronto



Farm house, Town of Georgina

## Heritage Property Standards

Effect: Ensure maintenance of heritage property

### Heritage Property Standards

- Legislation OHA Sections 35.3 & 45(1):
  - Council may pass & enforce by-laws for designated properties:
    - Prescribing minimum standards for maintenance of property's heritage attributes;
    - Require that property which does not comply with the standards be repaired
    - Municipality must have a standards by-law under the Building Code already in place
  - Municipality does not have to consult with its MHC on this but MHC can suggest examples where municipalities have such standards

### Heritage Property Standards

#### • Example:

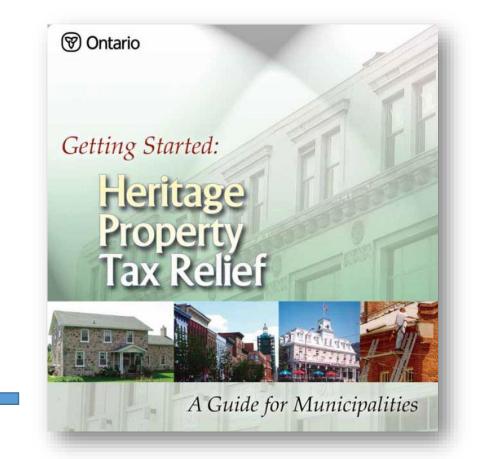
- City of Toronto Minimum standards. Municipal Code 629-44
  - In addition to the minimum standards for the maintenance and occupancy of property in the City as set out in this chapter, the owner or occupant of a Part IV Heritage Property or a Part V Heritage Property shall:
    - A. Maintain, preserve and protect the heritage attributes so as to maintain the heritage character, visual and structural heritage integrity of the building or structure.
    - B. Maintain the property in a manner that will ensure the protection and preservation of the heritage values and attributes.
  - The by-law then addresses repair and replacing of heritage attributes.

# Property Tax Reduction / Heritage Grants

Effect: Financial incentive for heritage protection

### Property Tax Reductions / Heritage Grants

- Legislation
  - OHA Sections 39 (grants), Municipal Act (taxes):
    - Grants
      - Council may provide grants to designated property owners for the cost of alterations
      - Council can specify the type appropriate alterations
    - Property tax reductions
      - Council may reduce property taxes by 10% 40%
      - Council may specify eligibility criteria
      - Province shares the cost of the education tax
  - Municipality does not have to consult with its MHC on this but MHC can suggest examples



#### Thank You

for agreeing to serve in the effort to conserve heritage in your community



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