

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PETERBOROUGH

BY-LAW NUMBER 05-031

BEING A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF PETERBOROUGH UNDER THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18 (464 George Street North)

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PETERBOROUGH BY THE COUNCIL THEREOF HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the hereinafter described properties be and they are hereby designated to be of historical and architectural value or interest pursuant to the provisions of the Ontario heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18, for the reason hereafter stated:

464 George Street North

PT LT 1 E of GEORGE ST. & S of MURRAY ST. PL 1 TOWN of PETERBOROUGH as in R506466, S/T & T/W R506466; PETERBOROUGH CITY.

REASON FOR DESIGNATION

Set just south of Peterborough's Civic Square, the William Yelland building has both historical and architectural value. The building is historically significant in its connection to William Yelland, a local businessman and politician who built 464 George Street for his blacksmith and carriage business. Yelland was heavily involved in local politics, serving as a councillor for 13 years before being elected as Peterborough's 15th Mayor in 1896 and again in 1897. As Mayor, Yelland fashioned himself as a representative of the workingman, and his carriage shop was often used as a space for political discussion.

Yelland's son, Joseph Henry, carried on the carriage business until the advent of the automobile rendered carriages obsolete. Over the years, the building has served a variety of commercial purposes, and survived several fires.

Architecturally, it possesses simple Victorian architectural features such as recessed brick panels, dichromatic brickwork, and wood framed windows. Built to house a carriage/blacksmith shop, the building possesses clean, straightforward lines that echoed the solid working values of its first owner, William Yelland.

464 George Street has value in its representation of a utilitarian 19th century commercial building, and contribution to the heritage character of George Street. It is representative of a period in Peterborough's history when the downtown was the centre of commerce, industry and politics, all of which have a historical connection to 464 George Street.

By-law read a first and second time this 28th day of February, 2005

By-law read a third time and finally passed this 28th day of February, 2005

(Sgd.) Sylvia Sutherland, Mayor

(Sgd.) Nancy Wright-Laking, City Clerk