By-law Number (2024)- 20975

Schedule 1: Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest: 14 Neeve Street

The subject property is worthy of designation under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act because it meets five of the nine prescribed criteria for determining cultural heritage value or interest, according to Ontario Regulation 9/06 as amended by Ontario Regulation 569/22. The heritage attributes of 14 Neeve Street display: design/physical, historical/associative, and contextual value.

The subject property meets Criterion 1 because it is a representative example of a stone residence built in the neo-classical vernacular style.

The subject property meets criterion 2 because it displays a high degree of craftsmanship. The stonemasonry of William Slater demonstrates a mastery of the craft.

The subject property meets criterion 4 because it has direct associations with Francis Law, a significant merchant in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

The subject property meets criteria 6 because it reflects the work of stonemason William Slater, a significant nineteenth-century stonemason who built several notable structures in the City of Guelph, principally St James the Apostle Anglican Church.

The subject property meets criterion 8 because it is physically, functionally, and historically linked to its surroundings. 14 Neeve is linked to 130-132 Surrey Street East, which was built by Francis Law in 1914. Additionally, the property's proximity to the railroad permitted the property to function as a refuge and boarding house for people travelling along the railways during the Great Depression.