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September 19, 2018

Ms. Erin Semande A/Provincial Heritage Registrar Ontario Heritage Trust 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto ON M5C 1J3

Attention: Erin

RE: The Fenwick United Church Manse

808 Canboro Road, Pelham

Lot 1, West Side of Church Street, Plan 703; Part 1 on Plan 59R-15858

Roll No. 273201001518002

Please find attached for your records, a Notice of Intention to Designate the above property in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me.

Sincerely,

Shannon Larocque, MCIP, RPP

Senior Planner

From the Department of

Community Planning

& Development



NOTICE OF
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In accordance with Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O. 18, and in the matter of the lands and premises, known as the Fenwick United Church Manse located at 808 Canboro Road in the Town of Pelham in the province of Ontario.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Peiham intends to designate property situated at 808 Canboro Road (Fenwick United Church Manse) in the Town of Pelham, in the Province of Ontario, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18.

Description of Property

The property at 808 Canboro Road is located on the southwest corner of Canboro Road and Church Streets. Its legal description is Lot 1, W/S Church Street, Plan 703, Pelham; being Part 1, Plan 59R-15858.

Short Statement of the Reason for the Designation

The property at 808 Canboro Road (Fenwick United Church Manse) is worthy of designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act for its cultural heritage value. The property meets the criteria for designation prescribed by the Province of Ontario under the three categories of design/physical value, historical/associative value and contextual value.

Statement of Design and/or Architectural Value and/or Interest

The minister's residence or manse, located to the north of the church, has a gable roof with a partial hip roof on the left side. The two-storey home is made entirely of red brick with white trim and a visible stone foundation. It has a small round window under the front gable. A small porch can be found on the front, with decorated pillars and bargeboard at the top and cornice brackets along the architrave. The front porch also features a square decorative stained glass window, as well as a stained glass transom located to the right of the porch over top of a large front window. A number of windows around the house are of similar height and size — long and rectangular in shape, each with an architrave and limestone lug sill.

On the side of the manse facing Canboro Road, a two-storey bay projection can be found, with a central large window on the second floor featuring a stained glass transom, as well as two double-hung rectangular windows similar to the rest of the home. To the left of this projection, there is another window with a stained glass transom. In the rear of the home is an additional porch that has been added at a later date. It is similar in features to the front porch however is enclosed by simple balusters.

Inside, much of the original internal wooden trim, doors, door and window casings and floors are still intact along with the front door, front staircase, railings, newel posts and stained glass windows. The front door, front staircase and newel post, and stained glass windows are significant features of the home. Many of the windows have been replaced with double hung windows, however most of the original openings were maintained. Some changes have occurred to openings along the rear porch.

Statement of Historical and/or Associative Value and/or Interest

The Methodist New Connection Church began its work in Canada in the 1830s. In 1835, a Fenwick area congregation was part of the Welland Canal circuit, and it headed a circuit of five appointments in 1864 when it was at a membership of 36 members. These included – Fenwick, North Pelham, Union Chapel, Twenty Chapel and Crowland with a class also at Mud Creek. The circuit arrangement was ideal for small communities and the pioneer lifestyle with families living in isolated clearings.

The early Methodist missionaries would preach at fixed times in scattered locations, in cabin kitchens, in barns or in fields with a stump as a pulpit and a clearing for a cathedral. Camp meetings and seasonal religious revival gatherings added excitement to the hardships of pioneer life but as the communities grew in size the need grew greater for a permanent meeting place for shared worship. In 1900, the two Methodist churches of Fenwick and Bethany united and combined resources to build what is now Fenwick United Church. Parishioners volunteered long hours and mortgaged their farms to build the church. In 1908, the congregation again

volunteered time and resources to construct the manse in an effort to attract a full time minister to the church. The building signifies the strength and personal commitment of Fenwick's early Methodist community to their church community. A number of these church families including Fry, Crowe, Garner, Swayze, Dawdy, Fegan and Stirtzinger still remain in Fenwick today.

In 1925, the church congregation entered into the Union of the Presbyterian and Methodist churches and the church became known as the Fenwick United Church and the minister's quarters, the Fenwick United Church Manse. The Manse continued to be owned by the church until July 2017 when it was sold to Susan Marie Phillips (nee: Burger), who purchased it as a home for her family after she was transferred to her final post with Hamilton-Niagara Royal Canadian Mounted Police following a career on Canada's west coast. Susan Burger-Phillips was raised in Fenwick along with grandparents and great grandparent of the Ebert family.

Statement of Contextual Value and/or Interest The approximately 675m² plot of land containing the manse was separated from the church property in 2017 and is located at the southeast corner of Church Street and Canboro Road inside the urban area of Fenwick. The manse sits north of the church on a prominent corner of the village just down the road from the iconic Fenwick Flag Pole and the central commercial area. The house fronts onto Church Street in line with the adjacent church contributing to the streetscape with the Fenwick United Church, and has a large open landscaped side yard along Canboro Road. The manse has been and continues to be a landmark within the community of Fenwick.



NEED MORE INFORMATION? CONTACT US!

The short statement of reason for the designation including a description of the heritage attributes along with all other components of the detailed Heritage Report constitute the "reason for designation" required under the Ontario Heritage Act.

For more information, please contact Ms. Shannon Larocque, Planner, at 905-892-2607, ext. 319, or email at slarocque@pelham.ca.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!



Any objections to this proposed designation must set out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts and must be filed with the Town Clerk, Nancy J. Bozzato, PO Box 400, 20 Pelham Town Square, Fonthill, Ontario, LOS 1E0 no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday October 19, 2018 (within 30 days of the publication of this notice). Unless indicated otherwise, personal information and all comments will become part of the public record and may be publicly released.

Dated at the Town of Pelham, this 19th day of September, 2018. Nancy J. Bozzato

Town of Pelham Community Planning & Development Department