APPENDIX 9

HERITAGE CHARACTER

Defining attributes and features

Perth Official Plan   Appendix 9   – **HERITAGE CHARACTER**
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This appendix includes a table describing heritage attributes and a figure of the original Plan for the Town.
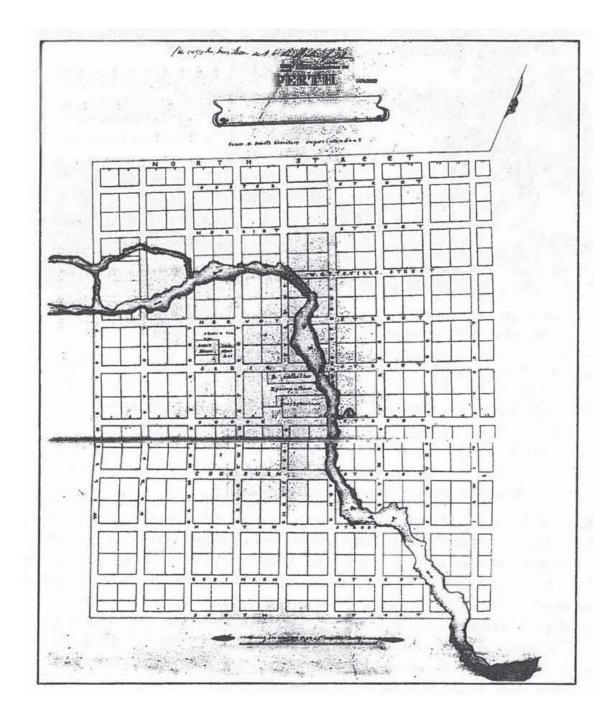
Table – Heritage Character Attribute or Features – Town of Perth	
Criteria	**Example of Heritage Attribute or Feature**
Design Value or Physical Value • Rare, unique, representative or early collection of a style, type, expression, material or construction method • Rare, unique, or representative layout, plan, landscape or spatial organization • Displays a consistently high degree of overall craftsmanship, or artistic merit	• Use of Potsdam sandstone or freestone • Walmpole Inc. buildings • Georgian architectural style • Loyalist or Federal-style (McMartin House) • Victorian architectural style: (shop-fronts – Shaws, James Bros) • Queen Anne architectural style: (Bank of Montreal) • Romanesque architectural style: (George Thomas Martin (architect) • Thomas Alfred Code – complex of buildings (City Beautiful movement) • Art Moderne (Perkins garage)
Historical Value • Direct association with a theme, event, person, activity, organization or institution that is significant to the community • Yields, or has the potential to yield information that contributes to an understanding of the history of a community or area • Demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of a planner, architect, landscape architect, artist, builder or theorist who is significant to the community	• Military settlement • Street grid (1816 Survey Plan area) 'gridiron' and park lots • Tay Canal • Built-from of community as it existed in 1880 when much of the original buildings had been constructed • Conservation of "all" stone buildings constructed prior to 1880 • Links O' Tay golf course – oldest golf course in Canada in continuous use in

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Criteria	**Example of Heritage Attribute or Feature**
Historical Value (continued)	the same location • All of the original churches • Court house – Jail complex • All buildings occupied by leading citizens of Perth in nineteenth century (Members of Parliament, Lawyers , Clerics, merchants) • Site of the Last Fatal Duel • Pioneer cemeteries • Stone arched bridges • Mansions • Cockburn Island • Tow path along the Tay Canal • East, West and Centre Wards • Carolina Village • Jamesville • Original Village (1851) and/or Town Boundaries (1854) • Railway station site (railway arrived in 1859) • Victoria Hall (Malloch House) now Great War Memorial Hospital • Bandstand (at Town Hall) • The "Old Red House" oldest surviving building in Perth – Craig Street • Town Hall (1863) • Shaws of Perth (1840) • Matheson House - Museum (1840) • Carnegie Library/MacMillan Building (1907)

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	• Inge-Va House Craig Street (1830's) • 105-7-9 Gore/Butcher's Edge (1840s) • Doran Block/Maximillian (1830s) • Music Hall(s) / Theatres • Oldest stone building Mill Street (1820)
Contextual Value • Possesses a character that defines, maintains or supports the area's history and sense of time and place • Contains resources that are interrelated by design, history, use and /or setting • Defined by, planned, or is a landmark	• Military history • Agricultural history (exhibition and fairgrounds) • Community history and gathering places (e.g. Stewart Park) • Sports history • Transportation history (rail and canal) • Religious history (first and 2nd eras or church buildings) • Commercial / Industrial history
Social Value or Community Value • Yields information that contributes to the understanding, or maintains a community, culture, identity within the district • Historically and/or functionally linked to a cultural group, an organized movement or ideology that is significant to the community • Plays a historic or ongoing role in the practice or recognition of religious, spiritual or sacred beliefs of a defined group of people that is significant to the community	• Church of England • Presbyterian Church & Rectory • St. John's Roman Catholic Church & Rectory • St. John's Convent (elementary school)

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Natural Value or Scientific Value • Rare, unique or representative collection of significant natural resources • Represents, or is a result of significant technical or scientific achievement	• Heritage trees • Tay River • Perth Long Swamp • Grant's Creek and wetland • Blue Berry Creek and wetland
Concentration of Heritage Resources • Concentration of heritage buildings, sites, structures, and designed as natural landscapes	• Buildings designated under the OHA • Buildings with documented history
Visual Coherence • Layering of human activities and associated built form	• 'City' block with gridiron on natural landscape of the Tay River
Distinctive or Definable Character • Unique environment and landscape of distinctive character • People familiar with the heritage area may not know where the fixed boundary is but they do know when they are in the area defined by a local name	• Tay Basin/Crystal Palace • Tay River corridor • Downtown or Central Area District area that overlaps the original CBD • Limits of the original Residential neighbourhoods as they existed in 1880 • Stewart Park • Original industrial areas
Consistent • Recognizable and recurring set or architectural details, building forms, building height and massing that is evident throughout the district • Consistent lot sizes, frontages and building setbacks	• Georgian urban ideal • Groupings of buildings of mid-nineteenth century construction • 3-storey buildings

Reproduction of the original plan (survey) of the Town of Perth (circa 1920)

- Document sourced from the collection of the Perth Museum