

BYLAW NO. 2021-14

THE MUNICIPAL JUSTICE BUILDING HERITAGE DESIGNATION BYLAW

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THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REGINA ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

**Purpose**

- 1 The purpose of this Bylaw is to designate as Municipal Heritage Property the real property and building known as the Municipal Justice Building located at 1770 Halifax Street, Regina, Saskatchewan.

**Authority**

- 2 The authority for this Bylaw is sections 11 and 12 of *The Heritage Property Act*.

**Designation**

- 3 The real property described as:

Surface Parcel #107024699

Reference Land Description: Lot A, Block 289, Plan 90R36844, Ext 0

including the building known as the Municipal Justice Building, the civic address of which is 1770 Halifax Street, Regina, Saskatchewan, is hereby designated as Municipal Heritage Property.

**Reasons for Designation**

- 4 The property is designated for the following reasons:

- (a) The aesthetic value of the Municipal Justice Building resides in the indicative of a simplified Art Deco style. It was built in 1930 and designed by the architectural partnership of James Puntin, Frederick James O’Leary and Charles Coxall, The decorative patterning utilizing local brick masonry materials and Tyndall stone created a lux checkerboard pattern at the parapet. The original windows, constructed both of wood and steel, are contained within the pilasters and are traditional double hung multi-paned windows. The plinth of the building is demarcated by a band of Tyndall stone that runs along the east and south facades. In order to reduce construction costs the west and north sides of the building were simplified and constructed of masonry with no Tyndall stone detailing. The overall rectilinear form, with flat roof and with monumental pilasters that march down the façade of the building are constructed of masonry and Tyndall stone, are all indicative of the Art Deco Architectural movement. Though constructed later the east entryway maintains the overall patterning of the building through its central location and the utilization of Tyndall Stone to demarcate the entrance.
- (b) The historical value of the property is due to its association with the history of the Regina Police Service. The Municipal Justice Building’s original use was as the headquarters for the Regina Police Service and was utilized by the Regina Police Service from 1930-1978. Additions to the building were

Approved as to form this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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constructed in 1953 and 1957. The original processional entrance of the Municipal Justice Building was located on the south façade and was subsequently removed and replaced by the addition of the east entry. The date of the removal of the processional entrance, and the introduction of the east entrance is unknown, though it is likely to have been done between 1957 and 1970. Since 1978, the building has been used for both municipal and provincial court services and as space for the Regina Police Pipe Band. Together with the Old Number One Fire Hall and Regina Police Service Headquarters, the building forms part of a historic civic streetscape.

- (c) As the first purpose-built headquarters for the Regina Police Service the Municipal Justice Building is intrinsically connected to the civil service history of Regina as well as to the development and growth of the Regina Police Service. The Regina Police Service moved into its new home in the Municipal Justice Building in 1931, after historically being housed in both Regina City Hall and the basement of the Alexandra School. The Municipal Justice Building was not only the new home to the Regina Police Service but its construction was also an unemployment relief project during the Great Depression and was intended to provide jobs for unemployed men at this time. In order to maintain an aura of frugality and to conserve tax dollars municipal buildings were typically designed in a more austere fashion, the Municipal Justice Building's Art Deco stylings are thusly more reserved and simplified in comparison to Art Deco Buildings constructed prior to the Great Depression.
- (d) As the first purpose-built headquarters for the Regina Police Service the Municipal Justice Building is intrinsically connected to the civil service history of Regina as well as to the development and growth of the Regina Police Service. The Regina Police Service moved into its new home in the Municipal Justice Building in 1931, after historically being housed in both Regina City Hall and the basement of the Alexandra School. The Municipal Justice Building was not only the new home to the Regina Police Service but its construction was also an unemployment relief project during the Great Depression and was intended to provide jobs for unemployed men at this time. In order to maintain an aura of frugality and to conserve tax dollars municipal buildings were typically designed in a more austere fashion, the Municipal Justice Building's Art Deco stylings are thusly more reserved and simplified in comparison to Art Deco Buildings constructed prior to the Great Depression.

### **Character Defining Elements**

- 5 The designation shall apply specifically to the exterior of the building and includes, but is not limited to, the following character defining elements which are considered to embody the heritage value of the property:

- (a) the location of the building within the Heritage Community, on the southeast corner of Halifax Street, with no setback.
- (b) the three-storey masonry form with flat roof, decorative pilasters, Tyndall stone detailing and parapet decoration.
- (c) traditional form, scale and massing of the original building with no setback.
- (d) double hung wood and steel windows constructed of multiple panes of glass in both the upper and lower windows.
- (e) claybank brick façade with Tyndall stone detailing. City of Regina Crest located above the east entrance. Symmetrical, undulating façade, created by a combination of wall recesses and decorative pilasters.

**Delegation of Authority**

6 The Executive Director of City Planning and Community Development, or his/her delegate, is authorized to exercise all of the powers and duties of Council mentioned in section 23 of *The Heritage Property Act*, including power to approve proposed alterations, repairs or restoral of the designated property, including as necessary replacement of building materials, in a fashion consistent with the existing architectural elements, appearance, colours and building materials, provided the same are consistent with the “Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada” as set forth in section D8 of *Design Regina: The Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2013-48*.

7 This Bylaw comes into force on the day of passage.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 24<sup>th</sup> DAY OF February 2021.

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 24<sup>th</sup> DAY OF February 2021.

READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS 24<sup>th</sup> DAY OF February 2021.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

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City Clerk

## ABSTRACT

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### THE MUNICIPAL JUSTICE BUILDING HERITAGE DESIGNATION BYLAW

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PURPOSE:	To designate as Municipal Heritage Property the property known as the Municipal Justice Building, located at 1770 Halifax Street, Regina, Saskatchewan.
ABSTRACT:	The bylaw designates the property known as the Municipal Justice Building, located at 1770 Halifax Street, Regina, Saskatchewan, as Municipal Heritage Property and will apply specifically to the identified character defining elements of the exterior of the building.
STATUTORY AUTHORITY:	Section 11 and 12 of <i>The Heritage Property Act</i> .
MINISTER'S APPROVAL:	Not required.
PUBLIC HEARING:	Not required as no objections to the proposed designation were received pursuant to section 13 of <i>The Heritage Property Act</i> .
PUBLIC NOTICE:	Required, pursuant to subsection 11(2) of <i>The Heritage Property Act</i> .
REFERENCE:	Regina Planning Commission, February 6, 2021, RPC21-2, and City Council, February 10, 2021, CR21-2
AMENDS/REPEALS:	N/A
CLASSIFICATION:	Regulatory
INITIATING DIVISION:	City Planning and Community Development
INITIATING DEPARTMENT:	Planning & Development Services