Designated and Listed Properties Plaques

Purpose

This document outlines the Heritage Barrie Advisory Committee ('the Committee') policy and practice for the provision of plaques to cultural heritage properties which are either designated under the Ontario Heritage Act or listed in the Municipal Heritage Register.

Policy

The Committee has elected to recognize designated and listed cultural heritage properties with commemorative plaques. To recognize the difference between cultural heritage properties designated under the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990* ('OHA') and those listed on the Municipal Heritage Register, two plaque designs were selected by the Committee, as discussed in the plaque design section below.

Plaque Design

The design for both designated and listed buildings was developed for the Heritage Barrie Advisory committee by Owen Sign Craft. The design of the plaque for designated buildings was intended to mimic the plaque already installed on designated buildings in Barrie. The design of the listed cultural heritage properties is intended to be reminiscent of the plaque used for designated cultural heritage properties with the material used being the visual marker differentiating between the two plaques. Both plaques feature the City Crest in the centre with the words "Heritage Building" at the top and "City of Barrie" at the bottom. The word "Circa" appears on the left side of the crest with the circa year on the right side of the crest. The circa date is unique to each building and determined through background research conducted by Committee members, staff, and the owner of the cultural heritage property.

Plaque design for designated buildings:

Description:

An 8"x10" cast bronze alloy with raised and machined letters and City of Barrie crest.



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Picture of designated building plaque installed on the MacLaren Arts Centre/Carnegie Library building (37 Mulcaster Street, Barrie)

Plaque design for Listed buildings

Description:

A 12"x9" CNC aluminum plaque with raised letters, crest, and circa date.



(At time of writing no listed plaques were installed and as such a picture was not available for this document)

Eligibility and Approval

The Committee has elected to only provide plaques to cultural heritage properties which are designated under the OHA or listed on the Municipal Heritage Register. Owners of listed and designated cultural heritage properties are invited to accept a plaque via letter that is sent on an annual basis, usually in early Q1, prior to budget approval. Only owners who accept the invitation receive a plaque. There is no requirement or condition for listed or designated cultural heritage properties to receive or accept a plaque. The approval of plaques for newly designated or listed buildings occurs on an annual basis and subject to the Committee's annual budget.

Posting and removal

Owen Sign Craft, the contractor retained to produce the plaques, includes install costs in the cost of the plaque. Upon installation the ownership of the plaque is transferred to the owner. The owner has the right to relocate or remove the plaque as desired. There is no requirement or condition imposed upon the property owner to display the plaque indefinitely.

Cost

The cost of purchase and install of the plaque is covered by the Committee.