

# **Municipal Heritage Committee Report**

Report Number: KLMHC2025-010

**Meeting Date:** February 6, 2025

Title: Alteration Application – 1 King Street West,

Omemee

**Description:** Proposed alteration to 1 King Street West (Coronation

Hall)

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Planning

## **Recommendations:**

That Report KLMHC2025-010, Alteration Application — 1 King Street West, Omemee, be received;

**That** the proposed alteration be approved.

Department Head:	
Financial/Legal/HR/Other:	
Chief Administrative Officer:	

#### **Background:**

Under the City of Kawartha Lakes' delegated authority by-law for the alteration of designated heritage properties (By-law 2019-154), approvals for minor alterations to properties designated individually under Part IV of the Act are delegated to staff in consultation with the Kawartha Lakes Municipal Heritage Committee. Minor alterations are defined in the by-law and include changes to the property including, but not limited to, the replacement of exterior elements, additions, the construction of accessory structures, hard landscaping, and the installation of utilities.

1 King Street West is designated individually under the Ontario Heritage Act by By-law 2024-130, which is a replacement for an older by-law. The by-law is attached to this report as Appendix A. The property contains Coronation Hall which was constructed in 1911 as a performance hall and municipal office for the former Village of Omemee. It has significant association with Lady Eaton who was born in Omemee and donated the building to the village and is only one of a handful of Prairie-style public buildings in Ontario. The property is currently owned by the City of Kawartha Lakes and is used both for a public hall and rental facility and for the Omemee Service Centre.

The 2025 Capital Projects budget allocated funds for a complete envelope restoration of 1 King Street West. This project will restore and repair the exterior of the building for its long-term conservation. A site plan and elevations highlighting the areas where restoration is required and their treatment is attached as Appendix B. Building and Property staff will attend the Committee's February 6 meeting to provide an overview of the envelope restoration project and its details.

#### **Rationale:**

Staff are supportive of the approval of this application. The envelope restoration of this building is intended to ensure the long-term protection and conservation of Coronation Hall, both as a community landmark and as an active City facility.

#### **Other Alternatives Considered:**

There are no recommended alternatives.

## **Financial/Operation Impacts:**

There are no financial or operational impacts as the result of the recommendations of this report. This project has been allocated funds through the 2025 Capital Projects budget.

### **Consultations:**

Building and Property Staff.

## **Attachments:**

Appendix A - By-law 2024-130



Appendix B – Site Plan and Elevations



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