

Re: Item No. 8.2

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H00481 - 5988 University Ave

Request to Include 5988 University Avenue, Halifax in the
Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality

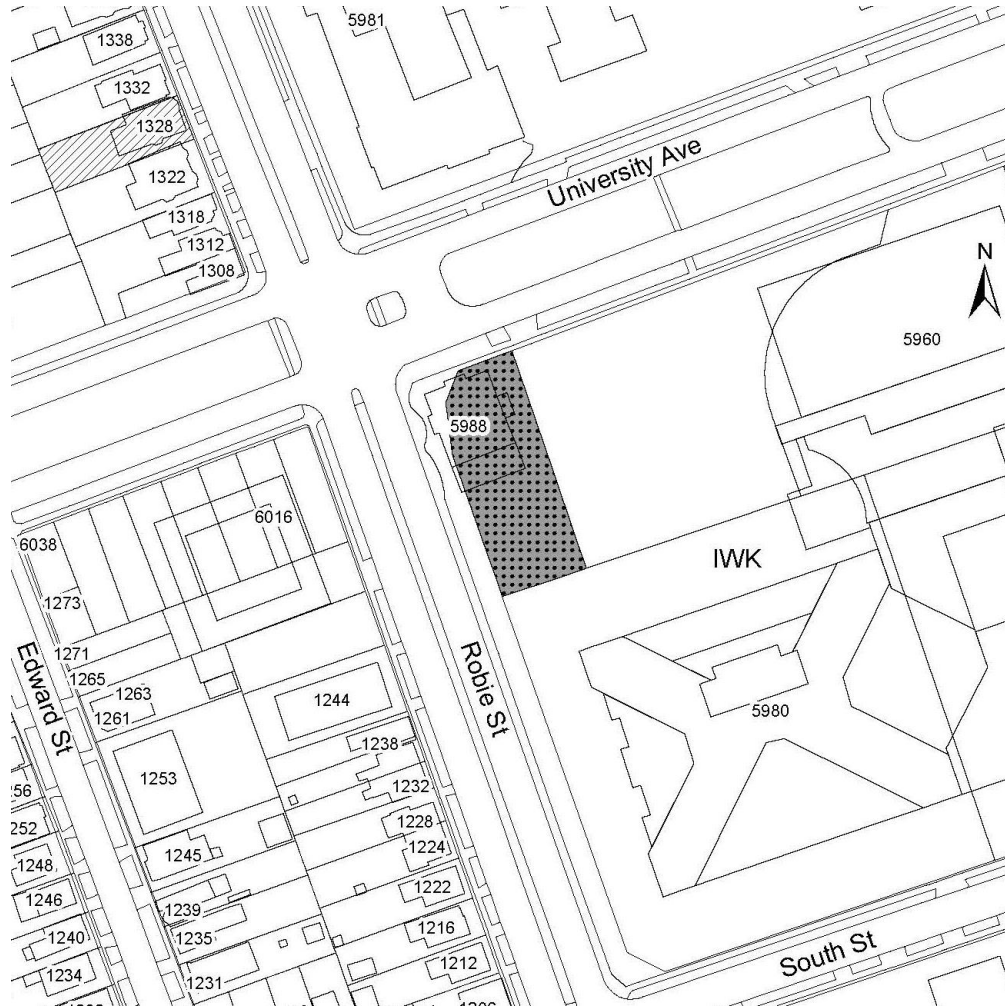
Regional Council
Tuesday, September 22, 2020

HRM Registration Evaluation Criteria

Criterion	Maximum Score
1. Age	25
2. Historical or Architectural Importance	20
3. Significance of Architect / Builder	10
4. Architectural Merit: Construction Type and Style	20
5. Architectural Integrity	15
6. Relationship to Surrounding Area	10
Total	100

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Location



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1. Age

HAC Score: 9 / 25



Robie St. No. ³¹⁻¹⁰³ **APPLICATION FOR NEW BUILDING.** No. *401*
To the Inspector of Buildings. Halifax, N. S., *6th* day of *May* 1907

Sir:—The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to build according to the following specifications and in accordance with the detailed plans and specifications submitted.

Location *Robie* St. No. " Side *East* between *South* St. and *North* St.
Owner *City of Halifax* Architect " Builder *Low* Estimated cost *\$17,616*
Class " Material *Concrete* Purpose of Building *Carpenter House*

Size of main building Ft. front *37 1/2* Ft. deep *33 1/8* Ft. in height *34* No of stories *2* Nearest part to street line Ft.
" Extension " " " " " " " "
" Lot " " " " " " " "

Style of roof and Material *slate* No. of elevators and for what purpose
What kind of fire stop is to be used

Permission is also applied for, to enclose that portion of the street in front of the proposed building, extending into the street *5 1/2* ft.

The undersigned hereby agrees that all work on the said building, shall be done in strict accordance with the laws and ordinances relating to the erection of buildings within the City of Halifax, and with the conditions printed on the back of the permit. Every obstacle will be removed from the street on or before the *10th* day of *Nov* 1907 on which date this permit expires.

Geo. B. Low
Applicant.

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2. Historical Importance

HAC Score: 15 / 20



- Halifax's Union Fire Club founded in 1754; oldest fire service in Canada
- Halifax Fire Department created in 1896
- Morris Street Engine House has served for over 110 years
- Houses historical documents, photographs, and artifacts

3. Significance of Architect & Builder

HAC Score: 6 / 10



- George B. Low was a local pioneer in concrete building construction
- Low built Halifax's first fully concrete building (1861 Granville Street) in 1904, along with many other concrete buildings
- Designed by William B. Fidler, a local builder and contractor
- Fidler later became an operator and engineer with the Fire Department

4a. Architectural Merit (*Construction*)

HAC Score: 19 / 20



Morris Street Engine House is a prime example of concrete building construction and part of a larger shift in Halifax's architectural history

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4b. Architectural Merit *(Style)*

HAC Score: 19 / 20



- Constructed during Edwardian Era
- The Edwardian style is defined by symmetrical designs, simple and balanced massing, and modest detailing
- Second Empire style roof
- Shows influences of the Classical and Chicago architectural styles

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5. Architectural Integrity

HAC Score: 9 / 15



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6. Relationship To Surrounding Area

HAC Score: 10 / 10



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Heritage Advisory Committee Scoring

Criterion	Maximum Score	HAC's Score
1. Age	25	9
2. Historical or Architectural Importance	20	15
3. Significance of Architect / Builder	10	6
4. Architectural Merit: Construction Type and Style	20	19
5. Architectural Integrity	15	9
6. Relationship to Surrounding Area	10	10
Total	100	68

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Recommendation

That Halifax Regional Council approve the request to include 5988 University Avenue, Halifax, as shown on Map 1 of the April 17, 2020 staff report, in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality as a municipal heritage property.

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Thank You