Re: Item No. 12.1

HALIFAX

H00485 - 2267 Brunswick

Request to Include the Property in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality

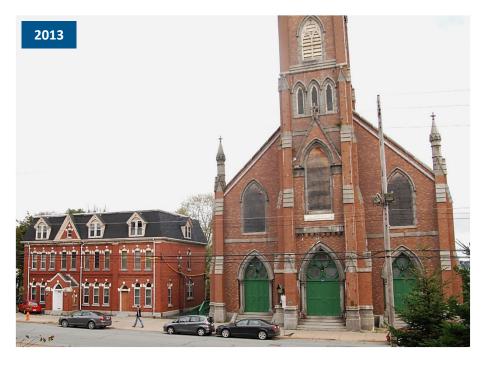
Regional Council April 12th, 2022

Location





Background



- Mistakenly added to HRM's Registry of Heritage Property on January 28, 1982, due to civic addressing error
- St. Patrick's Church, the abutting lot, was the intended site
- In 2015, the Church requested to deregister the subject site to facilitate its sale
- The subject site was deregistered, and St.
 Patrick's Church was successfully registered the following year

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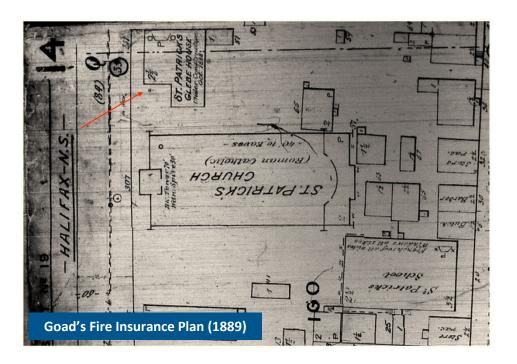


- The current owner completed an exterior rehabilitation in 2016 and converted the building to a multi-unit dwelling
- Development agreement was approved in 2019; permits a second residential building
- The development agreement was appealed; legal issues were ultimately resolved in Summer 2021

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

1. Age

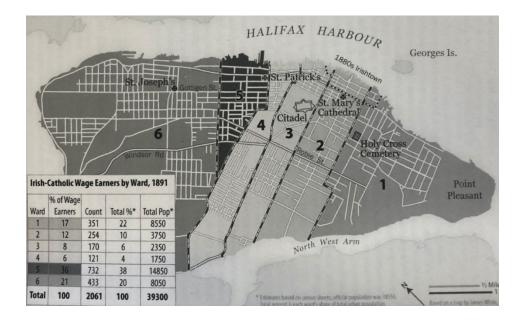


HAC Score: 13/25





2. Historical Importance

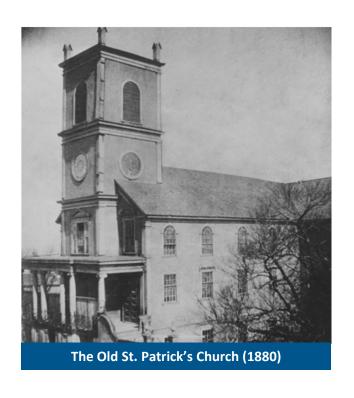


- Associated with Halifax's Irish Catholic population and St. Patrick's Catholic Church
- Many Irish Catholics came to Halifax during the 1800s; recruited to the British navy in high numbers
- Irish Institutions started to thrive
- One of Halifax's densest Irish Catholic neighbourhoods during the late-19th century



2. Historical Importance





- St. Patrick's Church was originally founded in 1843
- The rectory was constructed at the peak of Irish influence in Halifax; the parish had an extensive network along Brunswick Street
- Had space for convents, classrooms, social services, interfaith marriages, and an orphanage
- Home of Edward Joseph McCarthy and James Hayes
- Site for relief operations after the Halifax Explosion

3. Architect or Builder

HAC Score: 6/10



- Built and designed by Henry Peters (1824-1890)
- Founded Peters, Blaiklock & Peters with his brother (Simon) and George Blaiklock
- Constructed Wellington Barracks (c.1852) and St. Matthew's Church (c.1858).
- Worked with renowned architect David Stirling on several buildings
- Other notable projects include the Union Bank and the Benjamin Weir House

4a. Architectural Merit (Construction)

HAC Score: 6/10



- Three-storey, wood frame building finished with a red brick exterior
- Exact construction technique is unknown
- Based on its age, it could be a late example of timber frame or mid-to-late example of balloon frame construction
- Features some impressive exterior detailing

4b. Architectural Merit (Style)

HAC Score: 10/10



- Designed in the Late Victorian Eclectic style (1880-1915)
 which incorporates many Victorian influences:
 - Gothic Revival (arched windows)
 - Second Empire (mansard roof)
 - Italianate (large eaves & bracketed cornice)
- Character defining elements:
 - Asymmetrical, four-bay façade
 - Granite plinth
 - Stone & brick foundation
 - Brick string course with saw-tooth design
 - Slender one-over-one pointed-arch windows with decorative voussoirs and granite sills

5. Architectural Integrity

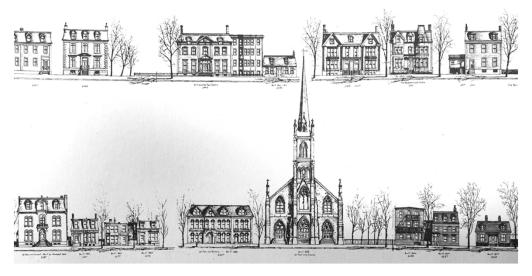
HAC Score: 9/15





6. Relationship to Surroundings

HAC Score: 10/10



- Historically and architecturally connected to St. Patrick's Church
- Fixture of the Brunswick streetscape and the "North Suburb"
- The area has diverse architecture and many heritage properties
- The neighbourhood was identified as a potential Heritage Conservation District by the Regional Centre Secondary Plan

Recommendation

The Heritage Advisory Committee recommends that Regional Council:

Approve the request to include 2267 Brunswick Street, Halifax in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality, as shown on Map 1, as a municipal heritage property under the Heritage Property Act.