

May 31, 2024

Infrastructure and Planning Committee City of Calgary PO Box 2100 Stn M Calgary AB, T2P 2M5

Dear Members of Infrastructure and Planning Committee:

Re: Designation of the Jones Residence as a Municipal Historic Resource

Heritage Calgary, in accordance with its role to advise Council and Administration on heritage matters in the City of Calgary, would like to take this opportunity to support the designation of the Jones Residence, located in the community of Upper Mount Royal, as a Municipal Historic Resource.

The Jones Residence possesses style value as an exceptional example of the Tudor Revival style, with prominent facades fronting both 12 Street and Prospect Avenue, creating a picturesque quality. The Jones Residence is representative of early development of Upper Mount Royal, a garden suburb initially developed by Canadian Pacific Railway. The Tudor Revival elements can be seen in the Residence's hexagonal tower centred symmetrically between two large side-gable wings with half-timbering, multi-assembly windows, and large corbelled chimneys.



Jones Residence, ca. 1930. Photo credit: Glenbow Library and Archives

The 1911 Jones Residence is associated with early Calgary lawyer and Alderman Clifford Jones, who was an active contributor to local professional and political organizations. Jones's wife, Elizabeth Whyte, was a member of the Whyte family, known for their role in the development of Banff.

Jones, born in Nova Scotia, moved to Banff in 1895, where he taught for two years before moving to Calgary where he studied law. Clifford involved himself in archaeological circles and is the namesake of Jones Beach on Gull Lake.

The resource is a community landmark due to its prominence within the community, its architecture, and its namesake. Heritage Calgary is happy to support the designation of this important community landmark as a Municipal Historic Resource. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

Josh Traptow Chief Executive Officer Heritage Calgary

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Dear Members of the Infrastructure and Planning Committee:

Re: Designation of the Magarrell Residence as a Municipal Historic Resource

Heritage Calgary, in accordance with its role to advise Council and Administration on heritage matters in the City of Calgary, would like to take this opportunity to support the designation of the Magarrell Residence, located in the community of Bankview, as a Municipal Historic Resource.

The Magarrell Residence possesses symbolic significance as an early, extant representation of pre-First World War housing stock that contributed to the development of the new Bankview district as a middle-class neighbourhood distant from the city centre but well-connected via the new street railway system. It also possesses style value as a fine example of an Edwardian Gable-Front house that retains a high degree of exterior integrity, featuring a wide enclosed verandah and a prominent upper bay with bellcast eaves at the attic gable dormer.



Magarrell Residence, Calgary, Alberta, via City of Calgary

The Magarrell Residence is symbolic of Bankview, as both are a product of Calgary's enormous pre-First World War economic boom. Calgary's development was characterized by rapid growth, incorporation of adjacent farms and settlements within the city's boundaries, and the extension of Calgary's streetcar network. Bankview was developed by William Nimmons, who had acquired 320 acres of land on this hill from the Hudson's Bay Company in 1882. Nimmons farmed, ranched, and quarried this land until 1905, when he subdivided the land for development. The Residence was built by James R. Magarrell of Port Perry, Ontario, who constructed three contiguous and notable two-and-a-half storey brick and shingle houses on the former Nimmons lands.

Heritage Calgary is happy to support the designation of this important community landmark as a Municipal Historic Resource. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

Josh Traptow

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