

## **BYLAW 29-25 STOCKTON BLOCK MUNICIPAL HISTORIC RESOURCE DESIGNATION**

### **Purpose**

The purpose of Bylaw 29-25 is to designate the Stockton Block building located at 14 McRae Street as a Municipal Historic Resource under the *Historical Resources Act*, following the required 60-day notice period.

### **Readings**

This Bylaw is ready for three readings.

### **Report, Analysis and Financial Implications**

The Stockton Block building was originally designated as a Municipal Historic Resource under Bylaw 06-22, adopted in February 2022. Bylaw 06-22 applied to the entire parcel formerly described as Block B, Lots 6, 7, and 8.

To facilitate the sale of Lot 6, which formed part of the original designation but does not contain the Stockton Block building itself, Bylaw 18-25 was brought forward and adopted by Council on April 28, 2025. The purpose of Bylaw 18-25 was to repeal the original designation (Bylaw 06-22), thereby removing the Municipal Historic Resource status from the adjacent lot and allowing for its legal subdivision and transfer of ownership.

At the same time, in accordance with the Municipal Heritage Designation Program and the *Historical Resources Act*, Administration issued a 60-day notice of intent to re-designate the Stockton Block building under a revised legal description (Block 4, Lot 2, Plan 2410219). This notice period has now concluded.

The current report and accompanying Bylaw 29-25 seek to re-designate the Stockton Block as a Municipal Historic Resource, ensuring that the building's heritage value continues to be protected despite the previous repeal and lot adjustment.

The Stockton Block has been designated a Municipal Historic Resource due to its significant heritage value in four key areas: Institutional, Persons, Style, and Landmark. Built around 1903, it was the first major commercial building on McRae Street, contributing to Okotoks' early business and civic development. It is associated with Charles Minue, a pioneering carpenter, and Dr. Frederick Stockton, one of the Town's first physicians and the building's financier. Architecturally, it is a notable example of Romanesque Revival style, featuring detailed cornices and segmental-arched brick windows. As a landmark, it retains a strong visual presence on McRae Street. Key heritage elements include its two-storey square form, red brick cladding, original window patterns, decorative cornices, and its contextual relationship with other historic buildings in the area.

Administration recommends that Council give three readings to the new Municipal Historic Resource Designation Bylaw 29-25 to formally re-designate the Stockton Block as a Municipal Historic Resource, based on the updated land configuration and legal description.

### Strategic Plan Goals

<input type="checkbox"/>	Responsibly Managed Growth	<input type="checkbox"/>	Demonstrated Environmental Leadership
<input type="checkbox"/>	Strong Local Economy		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Organizational Excellence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Enhanced Culture & Community Health

### Community Engagement Strategy

The 60-day notice period has concluded with no objections.

### Alternatives for Consideration

n/a

### CAO Comments

The change in subdivision is reflected with this bylaw and restores the intent of Council, to protect and preserve the Stockton Block.

### Attachment(s)

1. Draft Bylaw 29-25 Stockton Block Municipal Historic Resource Designation
2. Bylaw 06-22 Stockton Block Municipal Historic Resource Designation - Redlined Version

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