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Comments:

I would like to request to address Council regarding the submission made on behalf of the Saskatoon Heritage Society concerning the designation of 3rd Avenue United Church.

Thank you,

Peggy Sarjeant

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Comments:
Presentation to City Council concerning proposed Municipal Heritage Property designation of Third Avenue United Church
Submitted by Peggy Sarjeant on behalf of the Saskatoon Heritage Society
August 28 2017

Your Worship and Members of Council,
The Saskatoon Heritage Society has received a copy of the Report from the Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation Review and Appeals Committee concerning Third Avenue United Church.

We are very pleased that the Committee is in agreement with the heritage assessment of Third Avenue United provided by the City. In fact, all interested parties are in agreement as to the heritage value of the church – the Province, the City, the heritage community and the owners.

The Review and Appeals Committee has made several suggestions regarding additional elements which contribute to the heritage value of the building. They are all welcome suggestions; however, we believe that they are implicitly covered by the text of the proposed City Bylaw. Their request for inclusion of “massing, symmetry and orientation” in the listing of character-defining elements will be satisfied by the designation of the exterior of the building. Similarly, the suggestion of including the acoustics in the designation – something which we certainly appreciate - would be covered to a large extent by the inclusion of the designation of the hammer-beam rafters. We see little reason, therefore, to amend the existing text of the Bylaw.

The Review and Appeals Committee strongly recommends designation of the church in order to ensure that what is important about the building is preserved. They are adamant that designation should occur prior to any re-development or sale, thus providing clear direction throughout any change of ownership.

Without designation, Third Avenue United Church remains at risk. Most of us will have seen a recently published rendering of a proposed development on this site. We might wish to question if such a proposal celebrates the church and respects its heritage value. As things now stand, however, these are questions that we cannot really ask.

If we value Third Avenue United for its history, its architecture, its cultural associations and its landmark value in downtown, then we need to do something about it. The Zoning Bylaw is not designed to address those issues. The only way to protect those elements is to designate the church as municipal heritage property.

The Province's Review and Appeals Committee strongly recommends designation; City administration recommends designation; the heritage community urges designation.

Please pass the Bylaw before you today

Peggy Sarjeant

President, Saskatoon Heritage Society

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