



**City of
Prince Albert**

Corporate Communication
Services

www.citypa.ca

News Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

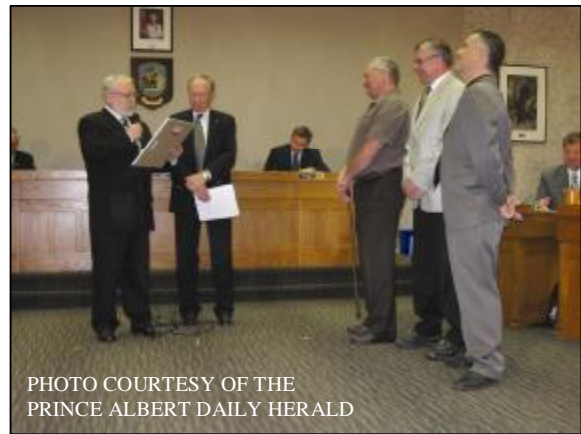
Tuesday, June 1, 2010

2010 Municipal Heritage Award

Presented to the Wilcox/Zuk/Chovin Law Office

At City Council's May 25th, 2010 regular Council Meeting, the 2010 Municipal Heritage Award was presented to the Wilcox/Zuk/Chovin Law Office.

The property, 1200 – Central Avenue, was nominated under the Adaptive Re-use category for the extensive renovations that have taken place to transform the former Bank of Montreal financial institution into the law office it is today, while maintaining the building's character defining elements.



Under this building's former use it served as a part of what was known to Prince Albert residents as the 'Bankers Corner.' With minor modifications to the exterior of the building the now Law Office remains largely true to its original form. The recessed entrance, two steel entry columns, and expansive windows continue to define this building's façade.

The renovations to the interior of the building included numerous changes to the floor plan layout to accommodate a redefined public entrance, additional office space, meeting rooms, and washroom facilities. Although these interior renovations were significant, a number of the defining interior features of the building were maintained, including re-exposing the top row of windows on the north side of the building, maintaining the original floor tiles in the reception area, and preserving the original bank vault.

The level and quality of work demonstrated through the rehabilitation of this building exemplifies not only how a structure's economic and physical viability can be prolonged but how a historically significant corner of the City of Prince Albert's downtown can endure as well.

-30-

For more information go to www.citypa.ca or contact:

Wes Holowachuk

Secretary, Municipal Heritage Award Selection Subcommittee

Phone: (306) 953-4371