

Appendix C

Existing Statement of Significance

125 Third Street

The property at 125 Third Street, known as the Johnston House, is considered to have heritage value for the following reasons:

- Constructed in 1905, the Johnston House is 105 years old at the writing of this report.
- It is listed on the City's Heritage Inventory.
- The house was designed by well-known architect Charles Henry Clow and his partner Daniel Welsh. Mr. Welsh was a native New Westminsterite who joined Mr. Clow for five years (1899-1904) to assist during the busy period after the great fire of September 1898.
- It is unknown if Mr. Clow or Mr. Welsh designed this house, but regardless, it represents an excellent example of Mr. Clow's influence. Mr. Clow was very active in New Westminster and was noted for mixing Classical Revival and Craftsman styles and for achieving a refined state of elegance in his interior designs.
- The house is an excellent and interesting example of an Italianate/Craftsman style home, featuring Italianate elements such as a low pitched hip roof with deep overhangs, a 2-storey tower on the front elevation, an asymmetrical front porch that wraps around one edge, a separate band of colour and material between the first and second levels of the tower that also has a decorative saw-tooth band marking the change from the first to the second level, and narrow board cladding.
- The Craftsman elements include a deep, roofed front porch with stylized wood columns, stone front steps, and heavier-framed wood windows with decorative glass inserts.
- The original elements are present and the house is in very good condition.

