



**Exquisite Historical Church,
Completely Updated - Merritt, BC**



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PROPERTY DETAILS

Listing Number:	26079
Price:	\$555,000 + GST
Taxes (2024):	\$4,096
Zoning:	C6 (City of Merritt)

SIZE

- Lot size - 5,574 sq. ft.
- Building size - 2,088 sq. ft.

DESCRIPTION

Nestled in the heart of Merritt, the decommissioned St. Michael's Anglican Church presents a unique opportunity for innovative redevelopment. This stunning building, originally constructed in the early 20th century, has been thoughtfully renovated to blend its historic charm with modern amenities, making it a versatile space for a variety of uses.

Architectural Features

The church boasts a striking design characterized by its tall arches, beautifully restored hardwood floors and stained-glass windows that flood the interior with natural light. The high vaulted ceilings and original wood beams create an impressive atmosphere, ideal for gatherings or events.

Modern Updates

- **Interior Renovations:** The interior has been meticulously updated with modern finishes while preserving its historic character. The open floor plan allows for flexible use, with stunning original hardwood flooring and moldings.

- **Upgraded Electrical and Plumbing:** All electrical and plumbing systems have been replaced to meet current codes, ensuring safety and reliability for any future use.
- **Heating and Cooling:** A new energy-efficient heating system has been installed, providing year-round comfort.
- **Restroom Facilities:** 2 modern restroom facilities have been added, including accessible options, catering to contemporary needs.

Outdoor Space

The property features beautifully landscaped grounds with ample space for outdoor activities, along with all new concrete sidewalks, entry and ramp. The surrounding area is peaceful, offering potential for a garden, patio, or even an outdoor event space.

Zoning and Potential Uses

With its unique charm and modern updates, this property is ideal for various uses, including a community center, event venue, boutique hotel, or artistic studio. Its central location in Merritt provides easy access to local amenities, making it a prime spot for both residents and visitors.

The decommissioned St. Michael's Anglican Church represents a rare opportunity to own a piece of Merritt's history while enjoying the benefits of modern renovations. This property is ready for a visionary buyer to transform it into a thriving community hub or a unique residential space.

Don't miss your chance to invest in this remarkable piece of architecture!

LOCATION

1998 Chapman Street - Merritt, BC

DIRECTIONS

You will find the church just a couple of blocks from the main post office in downtown Merritt. Ideally located in a beautiful neighbourhood surrounded by both well kept residential and commercial properties on a flat corner lot and not in the flood plain.

AREA DATA

Downtown Merritt is a vibrant community hub that offers a blend of urban amenities and natural beauty. The area features a variety of shops, restaurants, and services that cater to both residents and visitors. Local highlights include parks, cultural landmarks, and community events that foster a strong sense of belonging.

Demographics

Merritt has a diverse population, with a mix of families, retirees, and young professionals. The community is known for its friendly atmosphere and strong local engagement.

Economy

The economy of Merritt is supported by sectors such as tourism, agriculture, and forestry. The downtown area includes local businesses, services, and small enterprises that contribute to the town's economic vitality.

Transportation

Merritt is well-connected by road, with easy access to the Coquihalla Highway, making it a convenient stop for travelers. Public transportation options are also available, enhancing accessibility within the community.



Recreation

The surrounding area offers numerous outdoor recreational opportunities, including hiking, biking, and fishing. Nearby parks and trails provide residents with beautiful natural landscapes to explore.

Education

The area is served by local schools that provide quality education, with options for both primary and secondary levels. Community programs and adult education opportunities are also available.

Community Events

Merritt hosts various events throughout the year, including music festivals, farmers' markets, and cultural celebrations, which draw both locals and visitors, enhancing community spirit.

Overall, downtown Merritt and its surrounding area combine a welcoming community atmosphere with essential amenities and access to nature, making it an attractive place to live and work.

RECREATION

Merritt offers a variety of recreational activities that take advantage of its stunning natural surroundings and community resources. With its diverse range

of activities, Merritt is an ideal destination for outdoor enthusiasts and those looking to enjoy a vibrant community lifestyle.

Hiking and Biking

Numerous trails in and around Merritt cater to all skill levels. The Nicola Valley offers scenic routes with breathtaking views of the mountains and rivers.

Fishing

The Nicola River and nearby lakes provide excellent fishing opportunities, with species such as trout and salmon available for anglers.

Camping

There are several campgrounds in the area, allowing visitors to enjoy the great outdoors. Popular spots include Nicola Lake and nearby provincial parks.

Water Sports

Nicola Lake is perfect for kayaking, paddleboarding, and swimming, offering a refreshing escape during the warmer months.

Winter Sports

In winter, nearby mountains provide opportunities for snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, and snowmobiling, making the most of the snowy landscape.

Golfing

Merritt features a golf course that offers a beautiful setting for both casual and competitive play, with stunning views of the surrounding hills.

Community Sports

Local facilities support a variety of team sports, including soccer, baseball, and hockey, with leagues and programs for all ages.

Equestrian Activities

The surrounding countryside is great for horseback riding, with trails that cater to riders of all levels.

Wildlife Viewing

The region is home to diverse wildlife, making it a great place for birdwatching and nature photography.

Cultural Events

Throughout the year, Merritt hosts festivals and community events that celebrate local culture, music, and arts, providing opportunities for social engagement and entertainment.

HISTORY

Merritt has a rich history that dates back to the early 19th century. Initially inhabited by Indigenous peoples, including the Nicola Nation, the area became a focal point for European settlers in the late 1800s. The arrival of the Canadian Pacific Railway in 1885 marked a significant turning point, facilitating trade and transportation in the region.

In the late 1800s, Merritt was officially established as a town, and its economy began to thrive, primarily through ranching and forestry. The Nicola Valley's fertile land made it ideal for agriculture, while the surrounding mountains provided timber and mining opportunities. As the town developed, it became a vital service center for the surrounding rural communities.

Merritt is also known for its connection to the music scene, particularly country music, earning it the nickname "Country Music Capital of Canada." The town hosts various music festivals and events, celebrating its cultural heritage.

St. Michael's Anglican Church

St. Michael's Anglican Church, established in 1913, is one of the oldest churches in Merritt and

a significant landmark in the community. Built in a Gothic Revival style, the church features beautiful stained-glass windows and distinctive architectural elements that reflect the craftsmanship of its time.

The church was an important spiritual center for the growing community and served as a gathering place for various social events. Over the years, it has hosted numerous services, weddings, and community functions, becoming an integral part of Merritt's cultural fabric.

In recent years, St. Michael's Anglican Church has been decommissioned, but its architectural beauty and historical significance remain a point of interest. Major renovations been made to preserve the building, which stands as a testament to Merritt's heritage and the enduring presence of faith in the community.

Today, the church, along with the town's rich history, contributes to Merritt's unique character and charm, making it a meaningful place for both residents and visitors.

MAP REFERENCE

50°06'41.5"N and 120°47'27.8"W

INVESTMENT FEATURES

This is a fantastic opportunity to make your dream come true, with the flexibility of C6 zoning, and the versatile floor plan with over 2,088 sq. ft. with vaulted ceilings. This property is ideal for a variety of purposes including a craft distillery, wine tasting shop, boutique hotel, luxury condos, upscale office space or private school. The possibilities are endless.

SERVICES

- Electricity
- Natural Gas
- 2 new Washrooms
- Handicap Accessible



- High Speed Internet
- City Garbage/Water and Recycling

IMPROVEMENTS

- Lights and fans
- Exterior siding
- Roof
- Flooring and ceiling tile
- Electrical upgrade
- Insulation
- Heating system
- Stain glass windows
- Gutters
- Railings
- Concrete stairs, sidewalk and ramp
- Plumbing
- Installation of 2 washrooms (one with handicap access)
- Doors
- Hardware
- Painting
- Exterior fence and gates
- Restored hardwood floors

LEGAL

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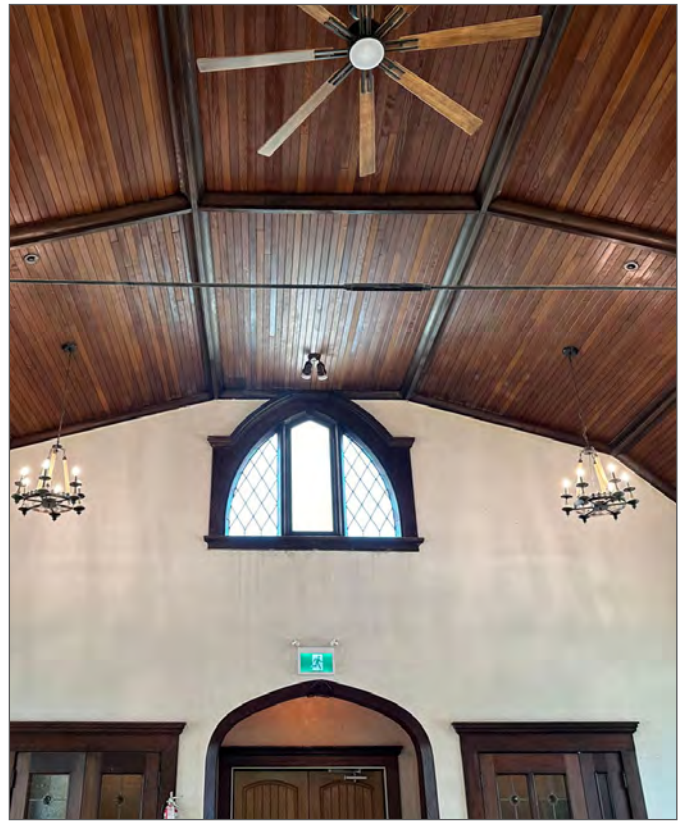
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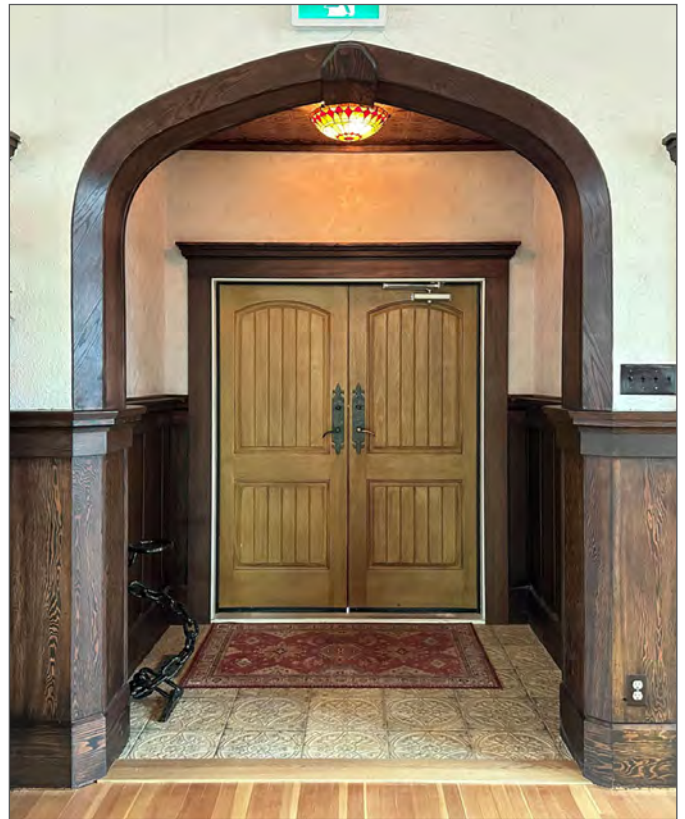






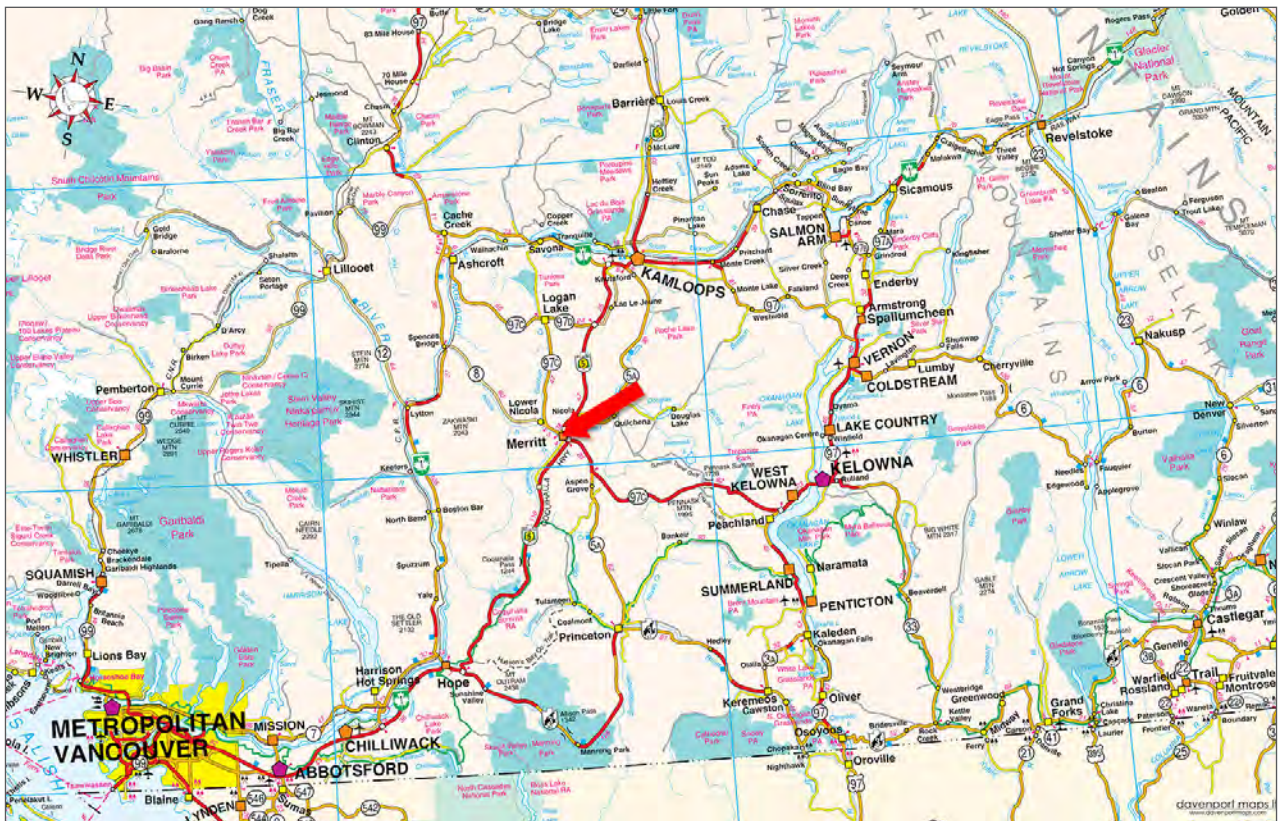


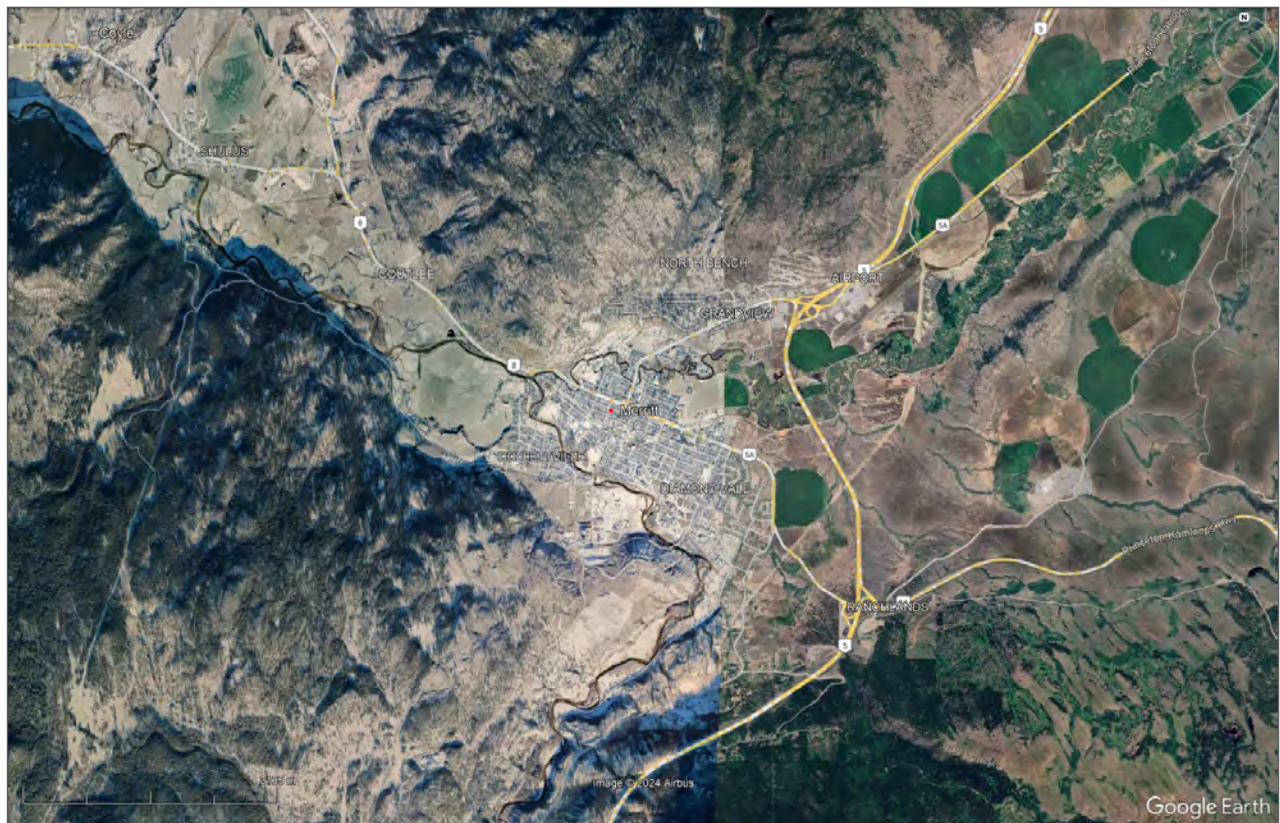
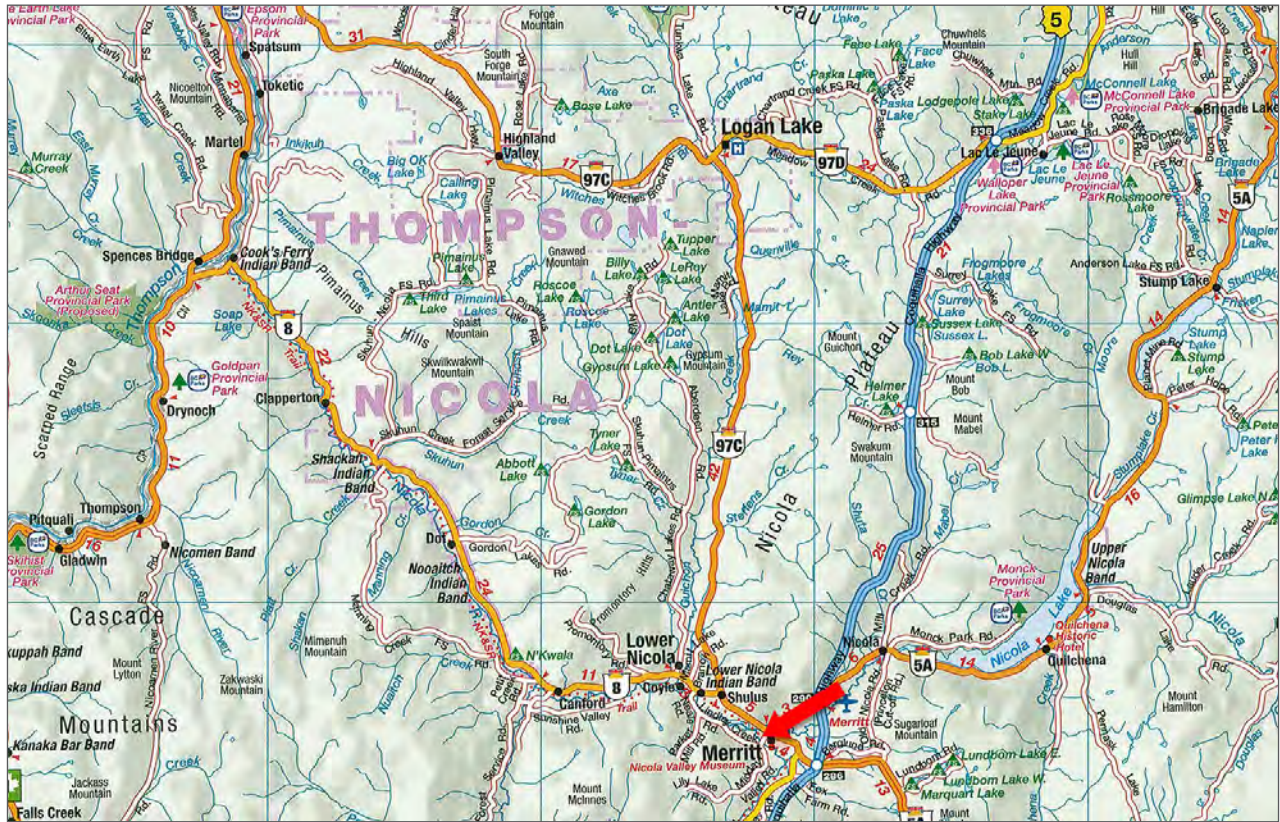


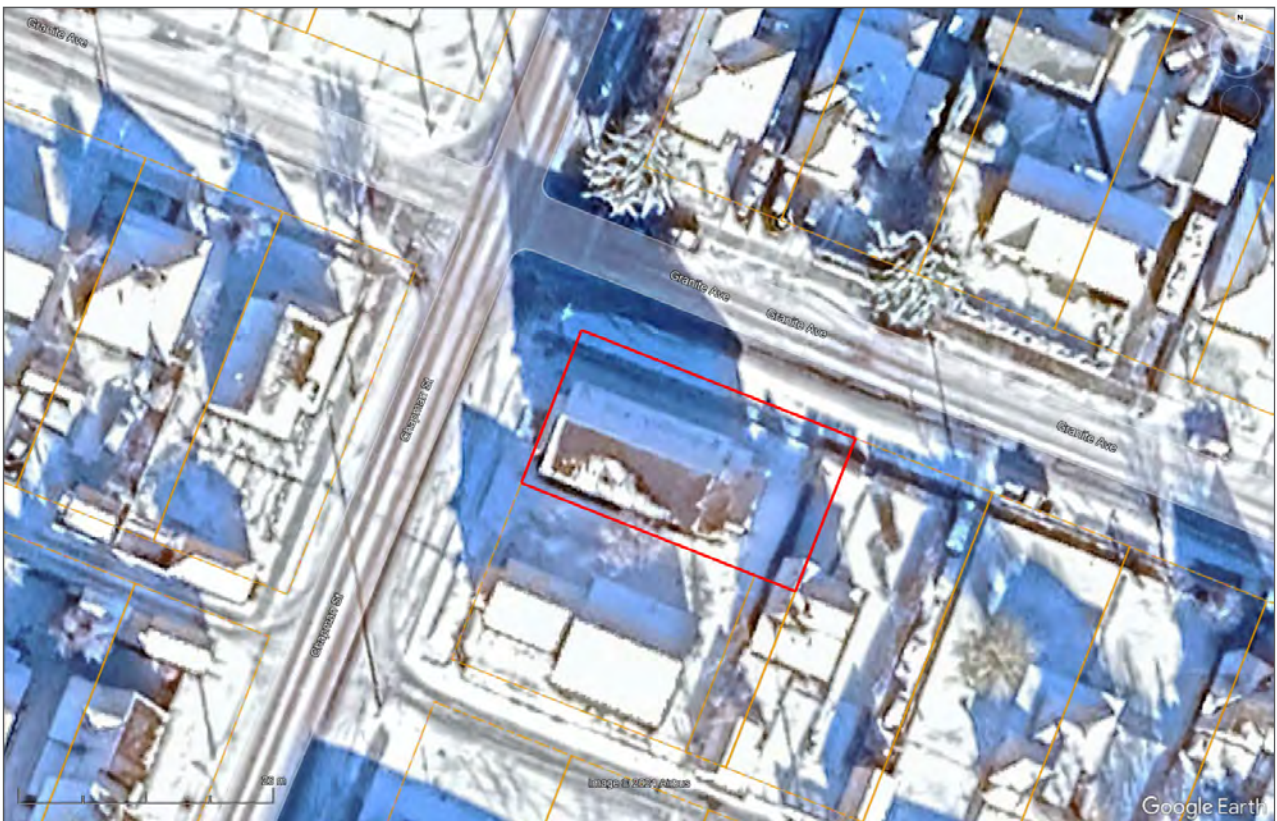
















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