

City of Mississauga
Corporate Report



<p>Date: 2019/12/19</p> <p>To: Chair and Members of Heritage Advisory Committee</p>	<p>Originator's files:</p>
<p>From: Paul Mitcham, P. Eng, MBA, Commissioner of Community Services</p>	<p>Meeting date: 2020/01/14</p>

Subject

Request to Demolish a Heritage Listed Property: 795 First Street (Ward 1)

Recommendation

That the property at 795 First Street, which is listed on the City's Heritage Register, is not worthy of heritage designation, and consequently, that the owner's request to demolish proceed through the applicable process, as per the Corporate Report from the Commissioner of Community Services dated December 19, 2019.

Background

Section 27.3 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* states that structures or buildings on property listed on the City's Heritage Register cannot be removed or demolished without at least 60 days' notice to Council. This legislation allows time for Council to review the property's cultural heritage value to determine if the property merits designation.

Comments

The owner of the subject property has submitted a heritage application to demolish the existing structure. The subject property is listed on the City's Heritage Register for its association with "Silver Moon Dance Gardens," a popular gathering place, established in 1932. The roof and main floor of the building burned in 1946 and the property was subsequently rebuilt and used for furniture manufacturing and other uses. The Heritage Impact Assessment is attached as Appendix 1. The report finds that: "The existing building [...] shares none of the architectural or historical attributes of the original community hall." As such, it is the consultant's conclusion that the property at 795 First Street is not worthy of heritage designation. Staff concurs with this opinion.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact resulting from the recommendation in this report.

Conclusion

The owner of 795 First Street has requested permission to demolish a structure on a property that is listed on the City's Heritage Register. The applicant has submitted a Heritage Impact Assessment that provides information which does not support the building's merit for designation under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Attachments

Appendix 1: Heritage Impact Assessment



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