City of Mississauga Corporate Report



Date: April 1, 2024

To: Chair and Members of Heritage Advisory Committee

From: Jodi Robillos, Commissioner of Community Services

Originator's files:

Meeting date: May 14, 2024

Subject

Proposed Heritage Designation of 1764 Lakeshore Road West (Ward 2)

Recommendation

That the property at 1764 Lakeshore Road West (Ward 2) be designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act for its historical, associative and contextual value, as per the Corporate Report from the Commissioner of Community Services dated April 1, 2024, and that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Executive Summary

- The subject property served as a church from 1875 to 1964.
- The church became a meeting place for the entire Clarkson community; as such a community hall was added to the rear.
- The property merits designation under the Ontario Heritage Act for its historical, associative and contextual value.

Background

The subject property served as a church from 1875 to 1964. It was built as Methodist church on land donated by area pioneer Margaret Merigold. The 1875 church was named for her close friend Bishop Albert Carman. There had been previous iterations of Methodist meeting places, beginning in the early 19th century and including at the City's Bradley House Museum. As was often the case during this time, because there were few other nearby churches, Carman Church became informally multidenominational. As such, it was the heart of the community so much so that a community hall was added to the rear in 1924, attached in 1947, according to Stanley Arnold Holling. Although painted, the shape and form of the original church is still evident. A location map, photos and a research report are attached as Appendices 1 thru 3.

Comments

To merit designation under the Ontario Heritage Act a property must meet the criteria for determining cultural heritage value or interest, i.e. it must have physical, design, historical, associative, and/or contextual value, per Ontario Regulation 9/06 (Appendix 4).

The property has historical, associative and contextual value. The property has historical and associative value because it has direct associations with the religious and, from 1924 to the 1964, the social life of Clarkson, serving as a de facto community centre. The property is physically, visually and historically linked to its surroundings. The proposed designation statement is attached as Appendix 5.

Strategic Plan

Heritage designation helps meet the City's strategic goal of celebrating our community ("Connect" pillar).

Financial Impact

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

Conclusion

1764 Lakeshore Road West meets the criteria for determining cultural heritage value or interest, per Regulation 9/06. As such, the subject property merits designation under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Attachments

Appendix 1: Location Map

Appendix 2: Photos

Appendix 3: 2007 Heritage Register Report

Appendix 4: Ontario Regulation 9/06 Criteria for Determining Cultural Heritage Value and Interest

Appendix 5: Proposed Designation Statement

for Robert

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