

City of Mississauga
Corporate Report



<p>Date: April 5, 2024</p> <p>To: Chair and Members of Heritage Advisory Committee</p>	<p>Originator's files:</p>
<p>From: Jodi Robillos, Commissioner of Community Services</p>	<p>Meeting date: May 14, 2024</p>

Subject

Proposed Heritage Designation of 24 Stavebank Road (Ward 1)

Recommendation

That the property at 24 Stavebank Road (Ward 1) be designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act for its physical, design, historical, associative and contextual value, as per the Corporate Report from the Commissioner of Community Services dated April 5, 2024, and that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Executive Summary

- A Presbyterian congregation was established in Port Credit in 1890.
- Architects Charles Brammall Dolphin and Dixie Cox Cotton designed the subject memorial church, which was completed in 1928.
- The Credit Valley stone edifice is a rare example of Modern Gothic architecture in Mississauga.
- The property merits designation under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Background

According to *Construction* journal (1929), architect Charles Brammall Dolphin (1888-1969) designed the subject St. Andrew's Presbyterian Memorial Church, which was completed in 1928. As per his *Port Credit Weekly* obituary, local architect Dixie Cox Cotton (1882-1943) assisted.

The church was built to memorialize soldiers who gave their lives in World War One. The local Presbyterian congregation was active since 1890 and continues to worship at the subject site. 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 design and physical value as it is a rare example of Modern Gothic architecture in Mississauga. The property has historical value due to its association with a longstanding Presbyterian community and the significant Port Credit figures who established it. It is also valued for its memorialization of World War One soldiers and GTA and local architects Dolphin and Cotton.

The property has contextual value as a landmark that is physically, functionally, visually and historically linked to its surroundings, including the 1925 cenotaph across the street. The church is also important in defining, maintaining and supporting the character – a campus of religious and recreational institutions on the east bank of the Credit River – of the area. 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

24 Stavebank Road 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: Research Report

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

Appendix 5: Proposed Designation Statement



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