City of Mississauga

Corporate Report



Date: June 19, 2024

To: Chair and Members of Heritage Advisory Committee

From: Jodi Robillos, Commissioner of Community Services

Meeting date:
July 23, 2024

Subject

Proposed Heritage Designation of 719 Dundas Street East (Ward 3)

Recommendation

That the property at 719 Dundas Street East (Ward 3) be designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act for its physical, design, historical, associative and contextual value, as per the Corporate Report dated June 19, 2024 from the Commissioner of Community Services and that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Executive Summary

- The subject church was built in 1925 to replace a previous iteration that was struck by lightning in 1924
- The church is linked to the histories of Dixie Union Chapel and St. Peter's Anglican church, Erindale
- The church is built in the Modern Gothic architectural style
- The property merits designation under the Ontario Heritage Act

Background

The subject St. John the Baptist Anglican Church was built in 1925 to replace a previous iteration, built in 1870, that had been struck by lightning in 1924. Dixie's 19th century Anglican parishioners originally worshiped at Dixie Union Chapel, immediately to the west. From 1870 to 1951, the church shared its rector with St. Peter's Anglican Church, Erindale. The church is built in the Modern Gothic style. 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 and associative value due to its association with Toronto Township's Anglican community. It has contextual value because it is physically, visually and historically linked to its surroundings, including Dixie Union Chapel; it is also a landmark. 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

719 Dundas Street East 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

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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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