

City of Mississauga  
**Corporate Report**



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| <p>Date: April 19, 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:<br/>June 18, 2024</p> |

## Subject

**Proposed Heritage Designation of 26 Stavebank Road (Ward 1)**

## Recommendation

That the property at 26 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 report from the Commissioner of Community Services, dated April 19, 2024, and that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

## Executive Summary

- Port Credit's Trinity Anglican Church has existed in this location for 157 years.
- The small board 'n batten church, built on land donated by the Hamilton family, has been added to over many years, largely culminating in the 1955 work, designed by Molesworth, Secord and Savage.
- The church is a rare example of the "50s Contempo" style in Mississauga.
- It merits designation under the Ontario Heritage Act.

## Background

According to the April 15, 1955, issue of the *Toronto Star*, Molesworth, Secord and Savage Architect designed the "entirely rebuilt" Trinity Anglican Church. The church has existed in this location since 1867. That 19<sup>th</sup> century board 'n batten church was restored, enlarged and veneered in brick in 1918. In 1931, Alice Hamilton added the memorial door and tower, which remains on the southwest corner, to commemorate her parents' donation of the land for the original church. Part of the nave was constructed at this time. Renovations were made and an addition added to the east in 1947.

The nave was further lengthened in 1955 and presumably the structure refaced with Credit Valley ashlar to provide a cohesive appearance. The offset grid pattern of the windows and openings of the bell tower also tie the components together and bring a sense of movement. The contrast of such lightness with the heavy Credit valley ashlar walls is an aspect of “50s contempo” architecture, which celebrates the optimism of the post World War II building boom. 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 1950s Contempo architecture in Mississauga. The property has historical value due to its association with a longstanding Anglican community and the significant Port Credit figures who established it. It is also valued for its association with Molesworth, Secord and Savage.

The property has contextual value as a landmark that is physically, functionally, visually and historically linked to its surroundings. 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

26 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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