

City of Mississauga Corporate Report



<p>Date: September 23, 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: November 12, 2024</p>

Subject

Proposed Heritage Designation of 6056 Ninth Line (Ward 10)

Recommendation

That the property at 6056 Ninth Line (Ward 10) be designated under the Ontario Heritage Act for its physical, design, historical, associative and contextual value, as outlined in the Corporate Report from the Commissioner of Community Services, dated September 23, 2024, 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 1882 to serve the local Catholic community and beyond.
- The property has historical and contextual value as it is associated with the Catholic settlement of the area.
- It also has physical and design value as it is a representative example of a rural Gothic Revival church.
- The property merits designation under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Background

The subject church was built in 1882, replacing a previous frame, and previous to that, log church, which may have been constructed as early as 1823, coinciding with the establishment of the cemetery. The church was built to serve the local and surrounding Catholic community. Irish Catholic settlers started coming to this area in 1818. The church closed in 1890 due to industrialization and urbanization. The church reopened in 1938 as a mission church. From 2010 to 2017, it served local Catholic parishioners. Since 2017, it reverted to missionary purposes and currently serves as an office for the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. It was shifted west slightly in 1982, with a basement and addition installed. The last burial was

1961. Current photos and a full Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report, by ASI, are attached as Appendices 1 and 2 respectively.

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. As per the ASI Report:

The religious property at 6056 Ninth Line was established in the early nineteenth-century to serve the local community of Irish Catholic settlers in an area known as the Catholic Swamp/Nunan's Corner. Its cultural heritage value is primarily derived from its historical and contextual association with the early settlement of the area. The property was the first in Trafalgar Township to service Catholic worshippers for a 150 square mile radius and the first internment in the associated cemetery occurred in 1821. The final burial took place in the 1960s. The c. 1882 brick church has architectural value as a representative example of a late nineteenth-century rural Gothic Revival church. Features such as pointed arch windows, buttresses, and the bell tower are recognizably Gothic in style.

As such, the property merits designation under the Ontario Heritage Act. The draft designation statement is attached as Appendix 3.

Financial Impact

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

Conclusion

6056 Ninth Line 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: Current Photos
- Appendix 2: Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report by ASI
- Appendix 3: Proposed Designation Statement



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