

City of Mississauga Corporate Report



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To: Chair and Members of Heritage Advisory Committee

From: Jodi Robillos, Commissioner of Community Services

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April 9, 2024

Subject

Proposed Heritage Designation of 1160 Clarkson Road North (Ward 2)

Recommendation

That the property at 1160 Clarkson Road North be designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act for its physical, design, historical, associative and contextual value and that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Executive Summary

- Postmistress and granddaughter of Clarkson namesake Warren, Edith Clarkson built the subject house in 1913.
- Part of the founding community at the rail line on Clarkson Road North, the property is physically, visually, functionally and historically linked to its surroundings.
- It merits designation under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Background

Postmistress and granddaughter of Clarkson namesake Warren, Edith Maud Clarkson (1868-1919) built the house at the subject property in 1913. Mary Salina Shook Oliphant (1868-1938) rented the property from brother Robert Conrad Shook (1865-1929) and his wife Cora Vail Clarkson (1874-1923), Edith's sister. Their son Robert Lynd Henry Shook (b. 1913) sold the property out of the family in 1939. According to Kathleen Hicks, Oliphant ran a boarding house at the property. The Clarksons, Shooks and Oliphants came to the area in 1808, 1811 and 1819 respectively. A location map, photos and relevant Heritage Impact Assessment 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 and associative value due to its association with the founding families of Clarkson, including its namesake family. It is also associated with Edith Clarkson who held the significant role of postmistress. The property has contextual value as it is physically, functionally, visually and historically linked to its surroundings: including the Clarkson store, which held the post office, to the south; Edith's childhood home, also to the south; and her uncle's house across the street, 1141 Clarkson Road North. The property has physical and design value as a rare example of Edwardian Classicism in Mississauga. The proposed designation statement is attached as Appendix 5.

Financial Impact

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

Conclusion

1160 Clarkson Road North 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: Heritage Impact Assessment

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

Appendix 5: Proposed Designation Statement



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