



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### 2054 Davenport Road – Intention to Designate, Part IV, Section 29, Ontario Heritage Act

<b>Date:</b>	May 9, 2008
<b>To:</b>	Toronto Preservation Board Etobicoke York Community Council
<b>From:</b>	Director, Policy and Research, City Planning Division
<b>Wards:</b>	Davenport – Ward 17
<b>Reference Number:</b>	

#### SUMMARY

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This report recommends that City Council include the property at 2054 Davenport Road (Carleton Public School) on the City of Toronto Inventory of Heritage Properties and state its intention to designate the property under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act. The site has been acquired by the Toronto Police Services as the location of a new police station. The proposed designation would enable City Council to manage change and encourage the retention of the building's heritage values and attributes.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

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**The City Planning Division recommends that**

1. City Council include the property at 2054 Davenport Road (Carleton Public School) on the City of Toronto Inventory of Heritage Properties;
2. City Council state its intention to designate the property at 2054 Davenport Road (Carleton Public School) under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act;
3. If there are no objections to the designation in accordance with Section 29(6) of the Ontario Heritage Act, the solicitor be authorized to introduce the Bills in Council designating the property under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act;

4. If there are objections in accordance with Section 29(7) of the Ontario Heritage Act, the Clerk be directed to refer the proposed designation to the Conservation Review Board.

### **Financial Impact**

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report. The public Notice of Intention to Designate will be advertised on the City's web site in accordance with the City of Toronto Act provisions.

### **DECISION HISTORY**

At its meeting of March 27, 2008, the Toronto Preservation Board referred a report concerning the proposed designation under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act of the property at 2054 Davenport Road back to the Director, Policy and Research, for further consideration.

### **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

In 2007, the Toronto District School Board agreed to sell its property at 2054 Davenport Road to the Toronto Police Services, which plans to build a police station on the site. The property contains Carleton Public School, which was most recently known as the South Building of Carleton Village Public School.

Following research and evaluation, staff have determined that the property at 2054 Davenport Road meets the criteria for municipal designation prescribed by the Province of Ontario. The proposed designation would enable City Council to manage change and encourage the retention of the building's values and attributes in any redevelopment of the property. The Reasons for Designation (Attachment No. 3) describe the original (1914) school at the southeast corner of the property and exclude the subsequent additions to the site.

Staff have met with representatives of the Toronto Police Services and revised the Reasons for Designation to clarify the heritage attributes.

### **COMMENTS**

The property at 2054 Davenport Road is worthy of designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* for its cultural heritage value or interest, and meets the criteria for municipal designation prescribed by the Province of Ontario. Located on the northwest corner of Davenport Road and Osler Street, Carleton Public School (1914) is a well-designed example of an early 20<sup>th</sup> century educational building with Edwardian Classical features, an institution of historical importance to the community, and a local landmark in the West Toronto neighbourhood.

A location map (Attachment No. 1) and photographs (Attachment No. 2) are attached. The Reasons for Designation are intended to be posted on the City of Toronto's web site and served on the owners of 2054 Davenport Road and the Ontario Heritage Trust according to the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act. The Reasons for Designation include a statement of the cultural heritage value of the property with a description of its heritage attributes.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment No. 1: Location Map  
Attachment No. 2: Photographs  
Attachment No. 3: Reasons for Designation (Revised)