

St. Clair Avenue West Church Survey – Inclusion of Nine Properties on Heritage Inventory

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From:	Director, Policy and Research, City Planning Division
Wards:	St. Paul's - Wards 21 and 22
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SUMMARY

This report recommends that City Council include the nine properties listed in Recommendation No. 1 on the City of Toronto Inventory of Heritage Properties. The properties were identified as part of the St. Clair Avenue West Church Survey.

The inclusion of the nine properties on the City's heritage inventory would enable staff to monitor any changes to the sites and encourage the retention of their heritage attributes.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Planning Division recommends that:

1. City Council include the following nine properties on the City of Toronto Inventory of Heritage Properties:
 - a. 259 Rushton Road (St. Matthew's United Church);
 - b. 129 St. Clair Avenue West (Deer Park United Church);
 - c. 175 St. Clair Avenue West (First Unitarian Church);
 - d. 230 St. Clair Avenue West (Timothy Eaton Memorial Church);
 - e. 354 St. Clair Avenue West (Holy Rosary Church);
 - f. 540 St. Clair Avenue West (St. Alphonsus Church);
 - g. 611 St. Clair Avenue West (St. Michael and All Angels Anglican Church);
 - h. 155 Wychwood Avenue (Wychwood-Davenport Presbyterian Church);
 - and
 - i. 156 Wychwood Avenue (St. Clair Avenue Baptist Church)

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Staff have surveyed the church buildings in the area along St. Clair Avenue West between Yonge Street and Dufferin Street and identified the nine properties listed in Recommendation No. 1 for inclusion on the City of Toronto Inventory of Heritage Properties. The research and assessment of the properties has determined that they are worthy of inclusion on the City's heritage inventory for their cultural heritage value.

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COMMENTS

An overview map showing the location of the area is attached (Attachment No. 3). For the nine properties listed in Recommendation No. 1, individual location maps and photographs (Attachments Nos. 1A-9A) and Reasons for Listing (Attachments Nos. 1B-9B) are attached. The St. Clair Avenue West Church Survey identifies nine properties containing religious buildings that have cultural heritage value for their design, associative and contextual significance as local landmarks that contributed to the development of the city along St. Clair Avenue West.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No.1A: Location Map and Photograph, 259 Rushton Road
Attachment No.1B: Reasons for Listing, 259 Rushton Road
Attachment No. 2A: Location Map and Photograph, 129 St. Clair Avenue West

Attachment No. 2B: Reasons for Listing, 129 St. Clair Avenue West
Attachment No. 3A: Location Map and Photograph, 175 St. Clair Avenue West
Attachment No. 3B: Reasons for Listing, 175 St. Clair Avenue West
Attachment No. 4A: Location Map and Photograph, 230 St. Clair Avenue West
Attachment No. 4B: Reasons for Listing, 230 St. Clair Avenue West
Attachment No. 5A: Location Map and Photograph, 354 St. Clair Avenue West
Attachment No. 5B: Reasons for Listing, 354 St. Clair Avenue West
Attachment No. 6A: Location Map and Photographs, 540 St. Clair Avenue West
Attachment No. 6B: Reasons for Listing, 540 St. Clair Avenue West
Attachment No. 7A: Location Map and Photograph, 611 St. Clair Avenue West
Attachment No. 7B: Reasons for Listing, 611 St. Clair Avenue West
Attachment No. 8A: Location Map and Photograph, 155 Wychwood Avenue
Attachment No. 8B: Reasons for Listing, 155 Wychwood Avenue
Attachment No. 9A: Location Map and Photograph, 156 Wychwood Avenue
Attachment No. 9B: Reasons for Listing, 156 Wychwood Avenue
Attachment No. 3: Overview Map (showing locations of all nine properties)