City Council

Motion without Notice

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Inclusion on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register - 324 Old Yonge Street - by Councillor Jaye Robinson, seconded by Councillor Mike Colle

* Notice of this Motion has not been given. A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice. * This Motion is subject to referral to the North York Community Council. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral. * This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.

Recommendations

Councillor Jaye Robinson, seconded by Councillor Mike Colle, recommends that City Council adopt the following recommendation in the report (January 29, 2021) from the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning:

1. City Council include the property at 324 Old Yonge Street on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register in accordance with the Listing Statement (Reasons for Inclusion), attached as Attachment 3 to the report (January 29, 2021) from the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning.

Summary

The subject property, located at 324 Old Yonge Street, is situated on the west side of Old Yonge Street, north of York Mills Road, east of Yonge Street, and south of the 401 contains a three-storey brick house and a detached two-storey brick garage that was constructed in circa 1930-37. The subject property is a surviving example of one of the seven original mansions built on the west side of Old Yonge Street in York Mills during the late-1920's and early-1930's as part of an exclusive enclave of mansions that sat opposite the former St Andrew's Estate and Golf Course (1927) and north of St John's Anglican Church (1843). These elaborate mansions are defined by lots with large frontages and setbacks, circular driveways and expansive landscaped grounds.

The property at 324 Old Yonge Street is important in supporting the historic character of York Mills and is a representative example of a Georgian Revival style house and sits in a sequence of mansions of a similar grandeur, type, and architectural style, which are defined by lots with large frontages and setbacks, circular driveways and expansive landscaped grounds, including the adjacent listed property located at 384 Old Yonge Street, with which it shares a similar typology and Georgian Revival exterior. Three other surviving adjacent properties are listed or designated on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register.

Section 27 of the Ontario Heritage Act gives municipalities the authority to maintain and add to a publicly accessible heritage register. City Council must consult with its municipal heritage committee before a property that has not been designated under Part IV is added or removed from the municipal register.

Following further research and evaluation, it has been determined that 324 Old Yonge Street meets Ontario Regulation 9/06, the criteria prescribed for municipal designation under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, which the City of Toronto also applies when evaluating properties for its Heritage Register.

The Toronto Preservation Board considered this matter at its meeting on January 29, 2021 and adopted the recommendation for the property to be included on the City's Heritage Register.

Properties on the Heritage Register will be conserved and maintained in accordance with the Official Plan Heritage Policies.

A Committee of Adjustment Application for Consent was submitted on May 19, 2020 is currently under review. The building is vacant.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM28.26 (January 29, 2021) Report and Attachments 1, 2 and 3 from the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning on Inclusion on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register- 324 Old Yonge Street (<u>http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2021/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-163204.pdf</u>) (January 29, 2021) Transmittal letter from the Toronto Preservation Board on Inclusion on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register- 324 Old Yonge Street (<u>http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2021/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-163207.pdf</u>)