



## Decision Letter

### Toronto Preservation Board

<b>Meeting No.</b>	15	<b>Contact</b>	Ellen Devlin, Committee Administrator
<b>Meeting Date</b>	Thursday, July 2, 2020	<b>Phone</b>	416-392-7033
<b>Start Time</b>	9:30 AM	<b>E-mail</b>	teycc@toronto.ca
<b>Location</b>	Video Conference	<b>Chair</b>	Ms. Sandra Shaul

PB15.5	ACTION	Adopted		Ward: 12
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### Inclusion on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register and Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act - 501 Vesta Drive

#### Board Recommendations

The Toronto Preservation Board recommends to the Toronto and East York Community Council that:

1. City Council include the property at 501 Vesta Drive on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register.
2. City Council state its intention to designate the property at 501 Vesta Drive under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, in accordance with the Statement of Significance: 501 Vesta Drive (Reasons for Designation) attached as Attachment 3 to the report (March 6, 2020) from the Senior Manager, Heritage Planning, Urban Design, City Planning.
3. If there are no objections to the designation in accordance with the Ontario Heritage Act, City Council authorize the City Solicitor to introduce the necessary bill in Council.
4. If there are objections in accordance with the Ontario Heritage Act, City Council direct the City Clerk to refer the proposed designation to the Conservation Review Board.
5. If the designation is referred to the Conservation Review Board, City Council authorize the City Solicitor and appropriate staff to attend any hearing held by the Conservation Review Board in support of Council's decision to designate the property.

#### Origin

(March 6, 2020) Report from the Senior Manager, Heritage Planning, Urban Design, City Planning

#### Summary

This report recommends that City Council include the property at 501 Vesta Drive on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register and state its intention to designate the property under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act for its cultural heritage value.

The property, originally owned and occupied by the renowned philanthropist, Lady Edith J.

Baillie, is located on the east side of Vesta Drive near the junction with Forest Hill Road in the Forest Hill South neighbourhood. Prominently sited on a double lot, the Baillie house is an excellent representative of an Arts and Crafts movement house with Tudor Revival style details. Completed in 1930, the finely-crafted, two-and-a-half storey house was designed by the highly-regarded architect Douglas. E. Kertland.

In November, 2018, the property was nominated for inclusion on the Heritage Register and designation under the Ontario Heritage Act. Following the sale of the property in June 2019, minor variance applications were submitted in September that involved the demolition of the existing house to allow for the construction of two new houses (one on each of the lots that comprise this property).

City staff have completed research and evaluation of the property at 501 Vesta Drive and determined that the property meets Ontario Regulation 9/06, the criteria prescribed for municipal designation under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, for its design, associative and contextual value.

Properties on the Heritage Register will be conserved and maintained in accordance with the Official Plan Heritage Policies. Designation enables City Council to review alterations to the site, enforce heritage property standards and maintenance, and refuse demolition.

## **Background Information**

(March 6, 2020) Report and Attachments 1-4 from the Senior Manager, Heritage Planning, Urban Design, City Planning - Inclusion on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register and Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act - 501 Vesta Drive (<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2020/pb/bgrd/backgroundfile-148068.pdf>)

## **Communications**

- (June 29, 2020) E-mail from Jennifer Lomoro (PB.Supp.PB15.5.1)
- (June 30, 2020) E-mail from Scott Cameron (PB.Supp.PB15.5.2)
- (June 30, 2020) E-mail from Garry Hurvitz (PB.Supp.PB15.5.3)
- (June 30, 2020) E-mail from Lynn Belzberg (PB.Supp.PB15.5.4)
- (July 2, 2020) E-mail from Michael Antoszek (PB.Supp.PB15.5.5)

## **Speakers**

Michael Antoszek