

Heritage Vaughan Committee Report

DATE: Wednesday, September 16, 2020

WARD(S): 1

TITLE: DE-LISTING FOR 10733 PINE VALLEY DR.

FROM:

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ACTION: DECISION

Purpose

To seek from Heritage Vaughan Committee a recommendation to remove 10733 Pine Valley Drive (shown in Attachment 1) from the *Listing of Property of Architectural and Historical Significance*.

Report Highlights

- Cultural Heritage staff recommend 10733 Pine Valley Drive be removed from the *Listing of Property of Architectural and Historical Significance* ('LSHS')
- The property previously contained the Purpleville Post Office, a built heritage feature destroyed by fire in 2018
- The destroyed built heritage resource was the only contributing cultural heritage feature on the property and therefore, the property currently has no cultural heritage value

Recommendation

THAT Heritage Vaughan recommend Council remove 10733 Pine Valley from the *Listing of Property of Architectural and Historical Significance*, under Section 27(1.3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Background

The subject property at 10733 Pine Valley Drive is located at the southeast corner of Pine Valley Drive and Teston Road as shown on Attachment 1 and is Listed in the Municipal Register ('Register') under Section 27 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

The property located at 10733 Pine Valley Drive contained a 1-1/2 storey frame building constructed as a mixed-use, rural residential and commercial building in 1898. The uses included the Purpleville post office, a blacksmith shop and a private home. The original frame structure is classified as Victorian Vernacular style and consists of a T-shape floor plan and gable roof, obscured through recent additions.

The structure was to be relocated and restored in accordance with Draft Plan of Subdivision File 19T-03V05 (Gold Park Homes Inc./ 840999 Ontario Limited). However, the structure was largely destroyed in an August 2018 fire. Cultural Heritage staff conducted a site visit on December 11, 2018 and documented the remains of the structure.

Previous Reports/Authority

Committee of the Whole Report, May 20, 2020.

Analysis and Options

10733 Pine Valley Drive remains Listed under Section 27 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*. A fire in 2018 destroyed the structure on the property and therefore, the subject property no longer retains its previously identified cultural heritage value. Accordingly, the subject property does not meet the criteria for Listing it as a property of architectural, cultural heritage, or contextual significance and therefore, Cultural Heritage staff recommend 10733 Pine Valley Drive be removed from the City of Vaughan's LSHS Register. The de-Listing of the subject property is a condition of approval of the related Site Development File DA.19.001, requiring the Owner to apply to de-List the property as specified by Section 27 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

The City of Vaughan Standards for Heritage Commemoration Plaques policy, Section 6.1.3.4 states, "*commemorative plaque programs including plaques for sites is required where the cultural heritage resource may have been lost or where there are few vestiges of these resources.*" To commemorate the lost Post Office, the Owner will be erecting a commemorative plaque in a location to be approved by the City.

A commemorative feature currently being designed will commemorate the Hamlet of Purpleville and the former Post Office. Cultural Heritage and Urban Design staff are currently developing and confirming the wording.

Financial Impact

There are no requirements for new funding associated with this report.

Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations

There are no broader Regional impacts or considerations.

Conclusion

The built heritage resource at 10733 Pine Valley Drive was destroyed by a fire in 2018. There are no current remaining cultural heritage resources remaining on the subject property and subsequently, the property no longer retains cultural heritage value.

A commemorative feature currently being designed will commemorate the Hamlet of Purpleville and the former Post Office, as set out in the City of Vaughan Standards for Heritage Commemoration Plaques policy.

Accordingly, Cultural Heritage staff recommends the Heritage Vaughan Committee remove 10733 Pine Valley Drive from the LSHS Register, as it no longer maintains the criteria for the listing as a property of architectural, cultural heritage, or contextual significance.

For more information, please contact: Katrina Guy, Cultural Heritage Coordinator, Development Planning, ext. 8115

Attachments

1. Attachment 1–10733PineValleyDr_ Location Map
2. Attachment 2–10733PineValleyDr_ 2018 Site Visit Photos

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