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Town of Aurora

Memorandum

Planning and Development Services

Re: Building Permit Application for 103 Edward Street
To: Heritage Advisory Committee
From: Carlson Tsang, Planner
Date: November 2, 2020

Recommendation

1. That the memorandum regarding Building Permit Application for 103 Edward Street be received for information.

Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform the Heritage Advisory Committee about a building permit application submitted on September 10, 2020 to construct a one-storey single detached dwelling at 103 Edward Street.

Background

103 Edward Street is a non-designated property listed on the Town's Heritage Register. The property was previously occupied by a single detached dwelling constructed in 1913. In July 2019, the building was severely damaged by fire and was demolished due to safety concerns. The property has been vacant since then and remains listed in the Town's Heritage Register. On September 10, 2020, the Town received a building permit application to construct a one-storey single detached dwelling on the property. The proposed dwelling is very similar to the previous dwelling with respect to architectural style, building footprint and massing. Even the setback relationship with the adjacent buildings will generally be the same.

On May 26, 2020, Council endorsed a new approach to reviewing building permit applications for listed properties. Prior to the issuance of a permit, the property must be evaluated and scored by the Heritage Advisory Committee's Working Group. If the property is received a high score, the Town will pursue designation under the Ontario Heritage Act and control building alterations through the regular heritage permit process. If the evaluation suggests that the property is not worthy of designation, the

result would be reported to the Heritage Advisory Committee for information, and the applicant would continue with their building permit application.

Heritage Working Group

The Heritage Working Group indicated that the property is not worthy of designation because the original building has already been removed (see Attachment 1). The Working Group's decision was circulated to the Heritage Advisory Committee on October 1, 2020. No comments were received. As such, the applicant was granted permission to continue with the building permit application. The property will remain listed pending completion of the comprehensive review of the Heritage Registry.

Attachments

Attachment 1 – Photo of the Property