

**LACH Stewardship Sub-Committee
REPORT**

Wednesday June 27, 2018

Location: Planning Office, 206 Dundas Street

Start Time: 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Present: B. Vazquez; M. Whalley, J. Hunten; T. Regnier; J. Cushing; L. Dent (staff)

Regrets: none

Agenda Items:

1. Demolition Request: 172 Central Avenue

The Stewardship Sub-Committee received and reviewed the Evaluation of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest (December 5, 2017) for 172 Central Avenue. The Stewardship Sub-Committee supported the conclusions of the evaluation (based on the criteria of Regulation 9/06) that the property demonstrates sufficient cultural heritage value to warrant protection under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Motion: The Stewardship Sub-Committee recommends that the demolition request for the property located at 172 Central Avenue be refused and that the property be designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act. Moved: Benjamin Vazquez; seconded Maggie Whalley. Passed.

2. Request for Designation: 432 Grey Street, Fugitive Slave Chapel

The Stewardship Sub-Committee discussed the partial draft Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest for 432 Grey Street (prepared by L. Dent) and was in support of the Heritage Attributes identified. Staff will continue to refine the Statement.

3. Referred to Stewardship Sub-Committee by the LACH: 1903 Avalon Street

The Stewardship Sub-Committee received and reviewed a statement of significant attributes identified for the property at 1903 Avalon Street [see attached]. The Stewardship Sub-Committee further concluded that the property dates from pre-confederation, and deems that there is sufficient belief of potential cultural heritage value or interest to warrant inclusion as a listed property on the *Inventory of Heritage Resources (the Register)*.

Motion: The Stewardship Sub-Committee recommends that the property at 1903 Avalon Street be added to the *Inventory of Heritage Resources (the Register)*. Moved: Theresa Regnier; seconded Maggie Whalley. Passed.

4. Additions to the Register

The Stewardship Sub-Committee discussed the following properties and potential of their addition to the *Inventory of Heritage Resources (the Register)*: 630 Dundas Street (Somerville Factory); 700-706 Dundas Street (Italianate styling designed b/William Robinson?); 80 Rectory Street (1922, London Spiritualist Church); and, 209 Egerton Street (1914, Egerton Street Baptist Church, b/William George Murray, simple gothic). Benjamin Vazquez will prepare Statements of Significance and bring forward to the London Advisory Committee on Heritage (LACH) for further consideration.

5. Research Update: The Stewardship Sub-Committee discussed research progress with the following properties:
 - a. Kenross (336 Piccadilly Street) – X (MW/JH/TR) architect?
 - b. Kellogg's Factory (100 Kellogg Lane) – underway (KG)
 - c. 1424 Clarke Road – follow-up (MW/LD)
 - d. Crown Livery (620 Marshall Street) – X (MW/BV)
 - e. Lilley's Corner (609 Dundas Street) – X (MW/BV)

Statement of Significance – 1903 Avalon Street

'Clarke House' on corner of Clarke Rd and Avalon St.

~~House appears to be of some age although difficult to date precisely because of additions and changes.~~

It appears that the house may have originally been one and a half storey and new gable windows were added to the front façade. All other windows are original – wood frames and mullions with wood sills and topped with a modified soldier course. The windows on the upper storey are very similar, except with narrower concrete sills.

The current house is of buff 'London' brick in English bond. Although it is now painted white, evidence of the original brick can be seen above the front door where the more recent wood 'porch' has no ceiling. Porch is supported by (later) rustic stone columns. The front door is most likely a replacement with a fanlight and half sidelights.

The current house is believed to date from pre-confederation.

There are posts on the boulevard fronting on to Clarke Rd that displayed "Clarke House" and name of occupier. The posts are still there but no longer display any names. These open up to a partial avenue of mature trees (at least 100 years old) that lead at a direct right angle from Clarke Rd to the back of the property, implying that the house was once located here – at the west end of the property.

The current house is to the north of this – at right angle to this former ghost driveway.

There have been additions to the rear (now fronting Avalon St) which appears to have been at least partially a 'tail'.