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Notice of Intention to Designate

77 Mill Street, Whitchurch-Stouffville

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville intends to designate 77 Mill Street, in the comment of Stouffville, under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, as being a property of Cultural heritage value.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value

The property known municipally as 77 Mill Street is located on the east side of MI Street, approximately 230 metres north of Main Street, in a neighbourhood of variety leritage character. The property contains a two-storey single detached dwelling built in 1911 with molded concrete block. The dwelling acts as the northern terminus to Mill Street's historic building fabric and acts and a transitional building to modern residential lots. The property's heritage designation is reserved to the exterior of the heritage resource itself on the southwestern portion of the lot and does not extend to the wider lot, any accessory structures, or landscape features.

The property located at 77 Mill Street has cultural heritage value as the only known American Foursquare dwelling made entirely of concrete block in the community of Stouffville. The structure is believed to have been constructed by William Bruels (1857-1931) for Ella Matilda Stewart (1866-1939) in 1911 using material produced at the North American Cement Block & Tile Company in Gormley. The dwelling is demonstrative of a clear connection between the growth of Stouffville and manufacturing activities in Gormley at the turn of the 20th century. 77 Mill Street is representative of Edwardian Classical architecture in its formal American Foursquare design: a simple but formal appearance, a symmetrical square layout, horizontal lines, and reserved but refined ornamentation. The dwelling is also indicative of an architectural period where practicality, efficiency, and cost-savings were increasingly valued as a result of broader societal trends such as the rise of corporate department stores, expanding mail advertising, and improved transportation.

A full Statement of Cultural Heritage Value and Description of Heritage Attributes can be found online at http://www.townofws.ca/en/town-hall/News-and-Public-Notices.aspx or viewed in person at Town Hall (Clerks office), 111 Sandiford Drive, Whitchurch-Stouffville, Ontario, L4A 0Z8, during regular business hours.

Written Notice of Objection

Any person may, within 30 days after the date of the publication of the Notice, serve written notice of their objections to the proposed designation, together with a statement for the objection and relevant facts.

Dated at Whitchurch-Stouffville, this 20th of June 2019.

Gillian Angus-Traill, Town Clerk, Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

Stouffville, Ontario

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