

Susan O'Rourke
745 Crooks Hollow Road
Dundas, Ontario
L9H 5E2

May 6, 2019

Hamilton Mayor and Members of Council
71 Main Street West
Hamilton, Ontario
L8P 4Y5

Sent by Email attachment to: clerk@hamilton.ca

Re: 745 Crooks Hollow Road, Dundas, Ontario

I am writing to request that the motion scheduled to be heard by City Council on May 8, 2019, namely, to include 745 Crooks Hollow Road, Dundas on the Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value ("Register") be tabled to allow me an opportunity to respond.

I am the property owner of 745 Crooks Hollow Road, Dundas, Ontario; there is a mortgage on the property.

On or about April 10, 2019, a letter ("the letter") was sent by regular mail to the property owner at 745 Crooks Hollow Road, Dundas, Ontario. A copy of the letter is enclosed. By the time I received the letter, the April 18, 2019 meeting of the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee had already taken place and it was the eve of the meeting of the Planning Committee. Unfortunately, despite the efforts of myself and my son to obtain more information on this matter, we were not able to do so before the Planning meeting was already taking place on April 30, 2019.

I was able to learn from Ms. Miranda Brunton, Cultural Heritage Planner with the City of Hamilton on May 1, 2019, that the recommendation to include 745 Crooks Hollow Road on the Register would go to City Council on May 8, 2019 for approval.

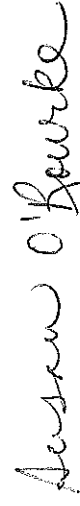
Prior to receiving the letter, I was not aware of the interest in the property. When I purchased the property, one of the listings was showing the property as vacant land. At no time has anyone contacted me from the community or the heritage committee to speak about this matter or ask for my input.

I can also advise that as recently as in March, 2019, I have been in correspondence with Mr. Donald Skinner from the City of Hamilton Planning Department to discuss the steps involved in obtaining any necessary permits for work done on the property and the help I could access through the City. At no time was there any mention of the process that apparently was taking place through the Heritage Committee leading to the recommendation that will be before Council on May 8, 2019.

While I do not know what if any impact the recommendation to register 745 Crooks Hollow Road will have on my ability to make decisions about my property or the terms of my mortgage, I believe it is only fair and reasonable that I have more time to make these inquiries given the potential for impact and the very limited time I have had to respond. I do work full time and am responsible for co-ordinating the care and services required by my elderly mother. Lastly, I note from the Built Heritage Inventory Form which is dated November 24, 2018, this matter has been going on for sometime without me having any notice.

I will be present at the Council meeting on May 8, 2019.

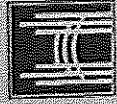
Thank you in advance for considering my request.



Susan O'Rourke



Encl.



Hamilton

Mailing Address
71 Main Street West
Hamilton, Ontario
Canada L8P 4Y6
www.hamilton.ca

Planning Division: Planning and Economic Development
Physical Address: 71 Main Street West, 5th Floor
Phone: 905.546.2424 x1202 Fax: 905.540.5611
Email: Morenda.Bruton@hamilton.ca

April 10, 2019

FILE: 745 Crooks' Hollow Road, Dundas

Property Owner
745 Crooks' Hollow Road
Dundas, ON
L9H 5E2

Dear Property Owner(s):

Re: Request to include 745 Crooks Hollow Road, Dundas in the Municipal Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest (Ward 14)

This letter is to inform you of a recommendation to include 745 Crooks Hollow Road, Dundas in the Municipal Register of Property of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest ("the Register").

The Inventory & Research Working Group discussed the cultural heritage value of your property on March 25, 2019. As an outcome of this meeting, the Working Group is recommending to the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee that the subject property be added to the Municipal Register. A Preliminary Assessment of the property was subsequently completed by a Working Group member (see "Built Heritage Inventory Form" attached), a summary of their research is provided below.

Built in 1850, this property is recommended as it is an example of the Ontario Cottage which was a popular design for residential buildings in the early to mid-19th century. It has historical/associative value because of its connection to the Morden family who settled by the Spencers' Creek and established a saw mill and later a grist mill helping to define the area as an area of commerce and economic activity. Lastly, the property is adjacent to another Morden property, 769 Crooks' Hollow Road which is designated, both of which demonstrate contextual value in defining and maintaining the character of the area.

The Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee provides advice to Council on all matters related to the *Ontario Heritage Act*. As such, this recommendation will be brought forward to the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee on April 18, 2019. Through a motion, the item may then be recommended to Planning Committee on April 30, 2019 and then to Council on May 8, 2019.

What is the Register?

The Register is a heritage conservation management tool under the Ontario Heritage Act. Non-designated properties added to the Register are not protected with a designation by-law under the Ontario Heritage Act, and as such, Heritage Permits are not required to be obtained for alterations. The Register is an administrative record consisting of properties identified by Council as being of cultural heritage value or interest. Consultation with the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee and a Council resolution is required to include a property in the Register.

Inclusion in the Register under Section 27 (1.2) of the Ontario Heritage Act requires that Council be given a 60-day notice of the intention to demolish or remove any building or structure on the property, and the demolition and removal of any building or structure is prohibited during this time period. The 60-day period allows staff the opportunity to discuss alternatives for the property should a notice of intention to demolish be received by Council, or if a development application under the Planning Act is received, including:

- Discussions with the owner respecting retention, adaptive re-use and financial incentives,
- Photo-documentation of the property prior to demolition; and,
- Designation under the Ontario Heritage Act.

For more information, please consult the attached information sheet or visit the City's Heritage Planning website at: www.hamilton.ca/heritageplanning. Staff is available to discuss this process should you have any further questions or comments.

The Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee meetings are open to the public and any requests to speak at a committee meeting should be submitted to the City Clerk's office before a scheduled meeting.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 905-546-2424. Ext. 1202, or via email at Miranda.Brunton@hamilton.ca.

Kind regards,



Miranda Brunton
Cultural Heritage Planner
Development Planning, Heritage and Design

Attach. (2)