

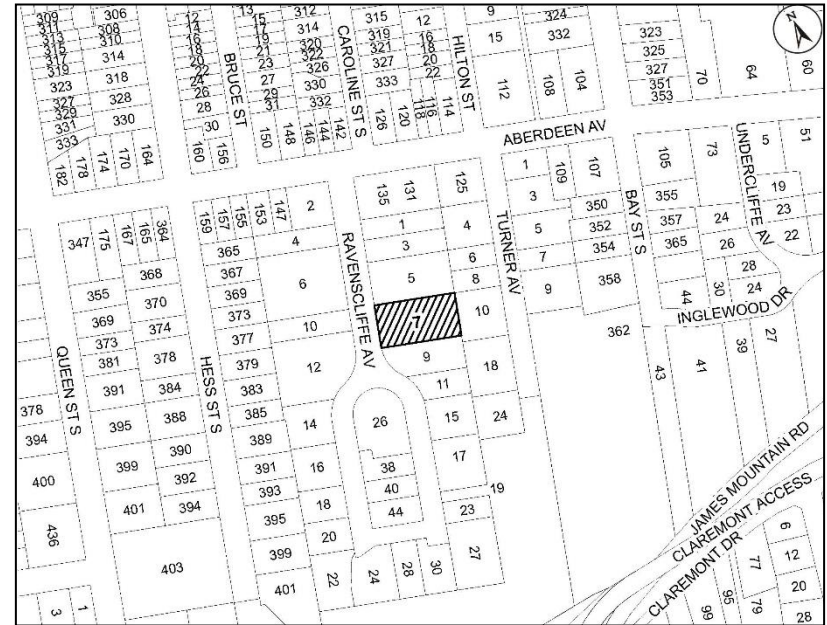


Recommendation to Designate 7 Ravenscliffe Avenue, Hamilton

October 20, 2023

Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee

7 Ravenscliffe Avenue



- June 2011 - Staff receive request to designate property
- October 2011 - Property added to Register & staff's work plan
- July 2023 - Staff conduct a site visit



Recommendation for Designation Under Part IV of the OHA

7 Ravenscliffe Avenue

Ontario Regulation 9/06 Criteria (6 of 9)

- Design / Physical (Criteria #1, 2)
- Historical / Associative (Criteria #4, 6)
- Contextual (Criteria #7, 8)



Design / Physical Value

1. The property is a **representative example** of Italian Renaissance Revival architecture.
2. The property displays a **high degree of craftsmanship** or artistic merit.
3. The property is not considered to demonstrate a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.



Historical / Associative Value

4. The property has **direct associations** with Harry Blois Witton, President of Tuckett Tobacco Company.
5. The property is not considered to have the potential to yield information that contributes to the understanding of a community or culture.
6. The property **demonstrates the work** or ideas of Stewart & Witton.



William Palmer Witton, c. 1890s

Contextual Value

7. The property helps **define** the historic character of Ravenscliffe Avenue.
8. The property is **visually** and **historically linked to their surroundings**.
9. The property is not considered to be local landmark.



Hamilton Postcards, 1924

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest (Summary)

The property located at 7 Ravenscliffe Avenue is comprised of a two-and-one-half storey stucco-clad brick residence, constructed circa 1911. The property is a **representative** example of the Italian Renaissance Revival architectural style and **display a high degree of craftsmanship**.

The property is directly associated with **Harry Blois Witton**, former President of Tuckett Tobacco Company, and the architectural firm of **Stewart & Witton**.

The property **helps define** the character of Ravenscliffe Avenue and is **visually and historically** linked to its surroundings.

Description of Heritage Attributes (Summary)

- Exterior elevations and roofline of the stucco-clad brick residence including its:
 - Hipped roof with flanking projecting bays;
 - Smooth stucco façades;
 - Flat-headed window openings;
 - Belt course;
 - Five-bay front façade with its balconets and central entrance with enclosed portico;
 - Covered side porch with Tuscan columns;
 - Copper downspouts; and
 - Coal chutes.



Description of Heritage Attributes (Continued)

- The interior and original first and second storey features, including the:
 - Front foyer with wood detailing and cross vaulted ceiling;
 - First floor library with its decorated plaster ceiling, wood paneled walls, built-ins and fireplace;
 - Oval shaped dining room; and,
 - First & second storey main staircase and alcove.



Interior Attributes



Description of Heritage Attributes (Continued)

- Moderate setback from Ravenscliffe Avenue with grassed lawn and central walkway to the front entrance





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