

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, AUGUST 19, 2002

DESIGNATED PROPERTY GRANT WILLIAM COOK HOUSE & VALENTINE KEFFER HOUSE, 9605 DUFFERIN STREET

Recommendation

Heritage Vaughan Committee recommends:

THAT the Designated Property Grant for \$2,144.25 be approved for the cedar roof repair to the Valentine Keffer House;

THAT the Designated Property Grant for \$761.50 be approved for the exterior painting of the William Cook House; and

Purpose

To approve Designated Property Grant funds.

Background

The owners of the Valentine Keffer House and the William Cook House, both located at 9605 Dufferin Street, applied for the Designated Property Grant to replace the cedar roof on the Keffer House and paint the exterior of the Cook House.

The Valentine Keffer House, constructed ca. 1843 was moved to its present site from Langstaff Road in 1985 and designated under the Ontario Heritage Act the following year. The structure was constructed using plank-on-plank construction, a unique building technique brought to Ontario by Pennsylvania-German settlers.

The William Cook House constructed ca. 1850 by William Cook local miller and businessman, was Designated under the Ontario Heritage Act in 1984.

The Designated Property Grant is funded by the City of Vaughan. The Grant program was initiated in 1985 assist heritage property owners in the maintenance and restoration of Designated heritage structures in the City of Vaughan. All work eligible under the terms and conditions of the said program requires Designated property owners to restore heritage property using original materials and restore property to original design, form and structural soundness.

Property owners must submit proposed work to Heritage Vaughan committee for review of work eligibility and approval prior to initiating the project as per Grant guidelines. After completion of the restoration/renovation work, Heritage Vaughan reviews all completed work and submitted invoices to determine eligible grant amounts. The subject grant program was initiated with the intention of offsetting increased costs as a result of the restoration/reproduction of original heritage features and materials. The property owners must match all grant amounts. The maximum grant amount is \$5000.00 per Designated property.

The property owner has completed the restoration/repair work to the Valentine Keffer House and William Cook House as required under the Designated Property Grant guidelines/requirements.

Heritage Vaughan reviewed and recommended approval of the subject Designated Property Grant at its meeting of June 19, 2002.

Attachments

None

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Recreation & Culture