

GEORGINA

Development Services Department Planning Policy Division

May 16, 2024

Re: Notice of Project Initiation

Municipal Heritage Register Review (Town File: 05.269)

A Heritage Register is a list of properties within a municipality that have been identified as having potential cultural heritage significance (Listed), and those which have been confirmed to have cultural heritage value or interest and are protected through a by-law (Designated) in accordance with the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Recent changes to the *Ontario Heritage Act* require municipalities to review their Heritage Register to determine if properties currently Listed on their Register meet the criteria to warrant designation and further protection. The legislative changes by the Province impose a deadline of January 1, 2025 to complete this review and the related designation process for those Listed properties which have been evaluated to have cultural heritage value or interest.

The review will include conducting background research, formation of an ad hoc working group, public consultation, performing evaluations of Listed properties against Ontario Regulation 9/06 criteria, presenting recommendations to Council, and ultimately supporting the heritage designation of Listed properties for protection, or alternatively recommending their removal from the Register. The review will ultimately result in the creation of a new, updated Heritage Register.

Additional information related to this project can be found at the dedicated webpage www.georgina.ca/HeritageRegisterReview or by contacting Tolek Makarewicz, Senior Policy Planner, by email at tmakarewicz@georgina.ca or by telephone at 905-476-4301 ext. 2297.

If you would like to be added to the interested party list to receive future email updates and notifications related to this project, please contact Anna Geniole, Planning Clerk, via email at ageniole@georgina.ca or via telephone at 905-476-4301 ext. 2250.

Information collected in response to this notice will be used to assist Town staff and Council to undertake the review and make a decision on this matter. Such personal information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act, the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, the Planning Act, and all other relevant legislation, and will become part of the public record, may be viewed by the general public, and may be published in a Planning Report and Council Agenda. Questions about this collection may be directed to the Town Clerk, Rachel Dillabough, at 905-476-4301, ext. 2223, or by email at rdillabough@georgina.ca.