



MEMORANDUM

TO: Heritage Markham Committee

FROM: Peter Wokral, Heritage Planner

DATE: May 12, 2021

SUBJECT: Designated Heritage Property Grant Program
Review of 2021 Applications

Program Details:

- Council approved the Designated Heritage Property Grant Program in 2010.
- Total funding of \$120,000 was allocated to the program over a four year period (2010-2013) based on a targeted allocation of \$30,000 per year;
- The program was extended for an additional three years (2014-2016) and again from (2017-2019);
- In 2019, the program was extended for an additional three years (2020-2022) with an allocation of \$30,000 per year;
- Council must consider extending the program beyond 2022;
- Assistance to the owner is in the form of a grant representing 50% of eligible work up to a maximum limit of \$5,000 per property for eligible work, and through an amendment to the program in 2016, a maximum amount of \$7,500.00 for the replacement of a cedar shingle roof in Markham Heritage Estates;
- Minimum amount of eligible work - \$500.00;
- Properties must be designated under the Ontario Heritage Act (Part IV or Part V). In the case of Part V (Heritage Districts), only properties identified in a district plan as being of cultural heritage value or interest are eligible;
- Ineligible Projects:
 - Commercial façade grant projects are specifically related to “*the entire exterior front surface of a building which abuts the street from grade to eaves*”, and are not eligible as there is a separate program. However, other conservation work on a commercial property is considered eligible under the Designated Heritage Property Grant program. At the discretion of Council, an applicant may be limited to receiving only one heritage related financial assistance grant in a calendar year;
 - Projects in Markham Heritage Estates (under 20 years) as these owners already receive a financial incentive through reduced lot prices;

- Grants are to be awarded on an annual cycle following a request for applications with a deadline established;
- Only one grant per calendar year per property;
- First time applicants will get priority each year and repeat applicants will be considered only if the annual cap is not reached by first time recipients;
- Subject property must be in conformity with municipal by-laws and regulations;
- Eligible work primarily involves the repair, restoration or re-creation of heritage features or components (cornices, parapets, doors, windows, masonry, siding, woodwork, verandas, etc.);
- Eligible costs include the cost of materials, equipment and contracted labour (but not donated labour or materials or labour performed by the applicant). A grant of up to 50% for architectural/ design/ engineering fees to a maximum of \$1,000 (as part of the maximum permitted grant of \$4,000) is available;
- Exterior Painting- in documented original colours to a maximum grant contribution of \$2,000 or 25% of the cost, whichever is the lesser. One time only grant.
- Two separate estimates of work (due to the specialized nature of the work) are to be provided by a licensed contractor (other than the owner) for consideration;
- Applications will be reviewed by City (Heritage Section) staff and Heritage Markham and recommended submissions will be forwarded to Council for approval;
- Grant commitments are valid for 1 year and expire if the work is not completed within that time period (an extension may be granted);
- Grants are paid upon submission of receipts to the satisfaction of the City;
- Approved work commenced since last year's deadline for applications can be considered eligible for grant funding;
- Approved applicants will be required to enter into a Letter of Understanding with the City.

Application/Proposal

- Staff received 8 applications by the April 2, 2021 deadline;
- The total amount of grant assistance requested is \$36,441.00 which exceeds the \$30,000 allocation;
- The total amount of grant assistance recommended by Staff is \$29,999.99

Staff Comment

- See attached summary chart for recommended applications
- See attached photographs for each application
- Staff used the following when evaluating each application:
 - Preference will be given to applications where the integrity of the property may be threatened if the proposed work is not undertaken
 - Preference will be given to applications proposing work visible to the general public
 - Priority will be given to first time applicants
 - Must comply with heritage conservation guidelines, principles and policies
 - Scope of the work is to be clear, logical and demonstrate the maximum retention of historic fabric and heritage attributes
 - Grant is not to reward poor stewardship

- The addition of new features (re-introduction of heritage features) needs to be backed up with evidence (physical, documentary or archival)
- Staff recommends approval of grant funding for 7 of the 8 applications;

Suggested Recommendation for Heritage Markham

THAT Heritage Markham supports the funding of the following seven grant applications at a total cost of \$29,999.99 subject to the amounts and conditions noted on the individual summary sheets:

- 32 Washington Street, Markham Village;
- 33 Dickson Hill Road, Markham;
- 99 Thoroughbred Way, Markham;
- 11172 Warden Avenue, Markham
- 118 Main Street, Unionville;
- 123 Main Street North, Markham Village;
- 26 Colborne Street, Thornhill

THAT Heritage Markham does not support the grant application for 1 Millbrook Gate

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Designated Heritage Property Grant Summary

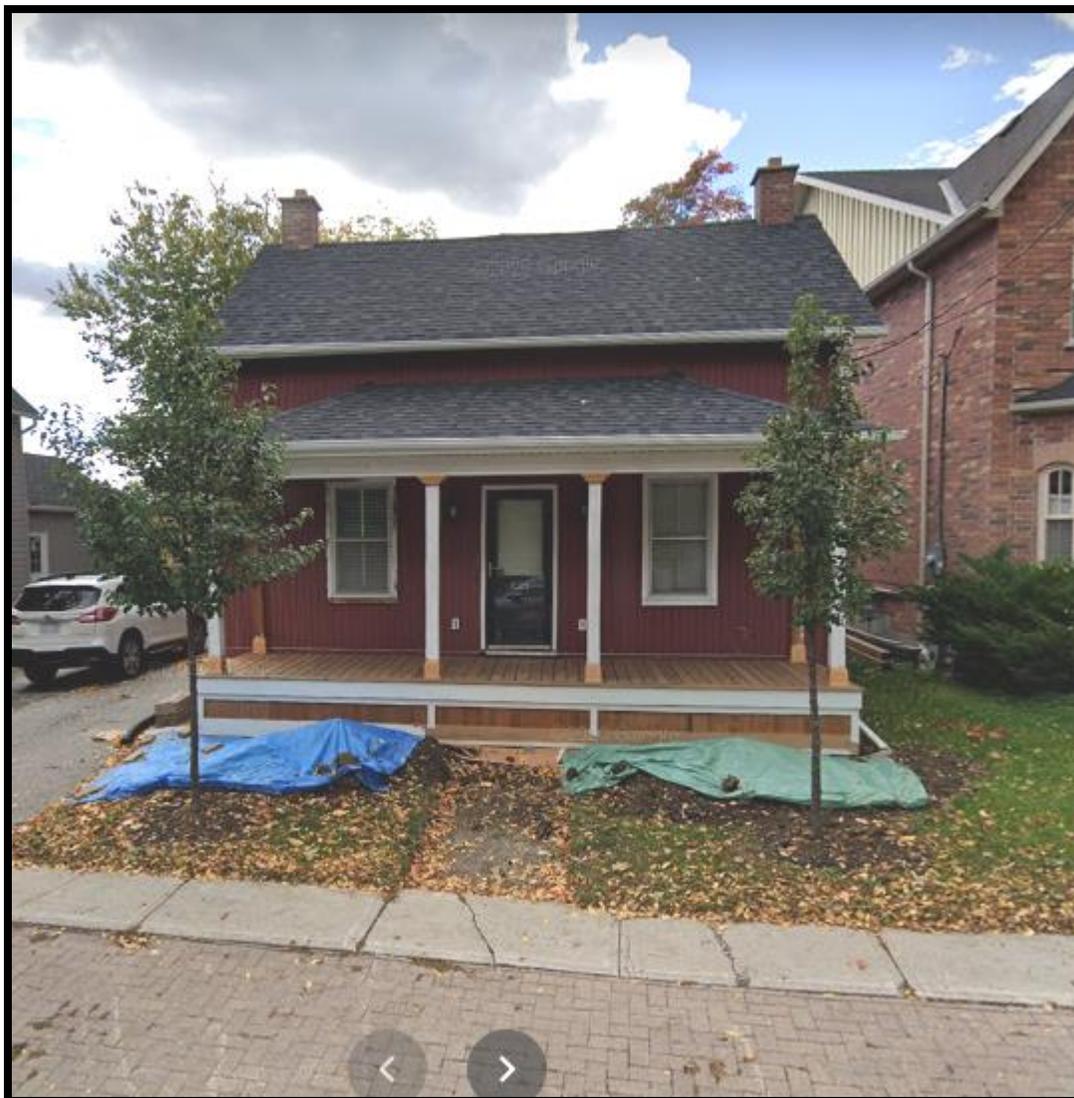
Address	Eligible Work	Grant Amt. Requested	Grant Amount Recommended	Running Total	Comment
1 Millbrook Gate, Buttonville	Yes	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Grant assistance is to replace deck and railings of rear veranda. A grant of \$5,000.00 for repairs to the north street facing veranda was provided to the same owner in 2018. Grant funding not recommended due to relative strength of other grant requests, work is not visible to public, work is on a non-heritage portion of the dwelling and homeowner has previously received a grant.
32 Washington St. Markham Village	Yes	\$4,520.00	*Up to \$4,186.32	\$4,186.32	Grant assistance is requested for the re-conditioning of 8 historic wooden windows and the replacement of existing aluminium storm windows with wooden storm windows. The same home owner was approved for a grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 to help fund the construction of the front veranda.
33 Dickson Hill Road, Markham	Yes	\$5,000.00	Up to \$5,000.00	\$9,186.32	Grant assistance is requested to help fund the restoration of 15 historic wooden 6 over 6 sash windows.
99 Thoroughbred Way, Markham	Conditional	\$5,000.00	*Up to \$4,630.89	\$13,817.21	Grant assistance is requested to repair and selectively replace damaged siding to repaint and repair eaves troughs
11172 Warden Road	Conditional	\$5,000.00	*Up to \$4,630.89	\$18,448.10	Grant assistance is requested to replace damaged brick of arches and to repoint brick and stone foundation. Proposed work can be considered eligible, but grant funding should be conditional upon the owner removing glazed front doors installed on school house without heritage approval and replacing them with new wooden doors approved by the City.
118 Main Street Unionville	Yes	\$1,921.00	Up to \$1,921.00	\$20,369.10	Grant assistance is requested to restore and recondition three of the historic wooden windows.
123 Main Street Unionville	Yes	\$5,000.00	Up to \$5,000.00	\$25,369.10	Repair and replacement of rotten boards of veranda floor deck and trims of veranda posts, sanding repainting of storm windows

26 Colborne St. Thornhill	Yes	\$5,000.00	*Up to \$4,630.89	\$29,999.99	Removal of later wooden cove siding on east façade to reveal and restore underlying earlier clapboard siding. The same homeowner received a grant of \$5,000.00 for the 2015 grant year.
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- Grant amounts adjusted proportionally based on relative eligibility, the amount of grant money available, and whether the property had previously received grant funding

Designated Heritage Property Grant Application

Name	Mark Roche
Address	32 Washington Street, Markham Village
Status	Part V dwelling in the Markham Village HCD
Grant Project	Re-conditioning of 8 historic wooden windows and replacement of aluminium storm windows with wooden storm windows
Estimate 1	\$9,040.00- Alois Ledinek
Estimate 2	\$11,300.00 –Ramsden Contacting
Eligibility	The proposed work meets the eligibility requirements of the program.
Conditions	No conditions- The proposed work has already been approved through the site plan control process.
Previous Grants	Yes, \$5,000.00 for the construction of the front veranda in 2019
Comments	Recommended for approval
Grant Amount	Up to \$4,186.32



Designated Heritage Property Grant Application

Name	Adam Marmo
Address	33 Dickson Hill Road, Markham
Status	Part IV
Grant Project	Restoration and Reconditioning of Historic 6 over 6 wooden windows
Estimate 1	\$40,680.00 – David Wylie Restoration Ltd.
Estimate 2	NA
Eligibility	The proposed work meets the eligibility requirements of the program
Conditions	Work was approved through the City's building permit process
Previous Grant	No
Comments	Recommended for Approval
Grant Amount	Up to \$5,000.00



Designated Heritage Property Grant Application

Name	Jinny Lok & Raymond Layno
Address	99 Thoroughbred Way, Markham
Status	Part IV designated dwelling
Grant Project	Repair and selective replacement of historic clapboard siding
Estimate 1	RGR Contracting-\$11,074.00
Estimate 2	Caselin Construction Ltd. - \$ 14,012.00
Eligibility	Require confirmation that proposed work is required
Conditions	Proposed work must be approved through the heritage permitting process
Previous Grants	No
Comments	Recommended for Approval subject to noted condition.
Grant Amount	Up to \$4,630.89



Designated Heritage Property Grant Application

Name	Asad Azizi
Address	11172 Warden Avenue, Markham
Status	Part IV designated school house converted into a dwelling
Grant Project	Selective replacement of brick in buttresses, arches and repointing of brick and stone foundation
Estimate 1	Johnson Playfair Brick & Stone Masonry - \$12,927.20
Estimate 2	Alsalg Stoneworks Limited-\$ - \$11,733.52.00
Eligibility	The work is eligible for grant funding but the property is not due to the unauthorized replacement of the wooden front doors in 2015. A Heritage Permit to resolve this deficiency was approved, but the grant should be conditional on confirmation that this issue has been satisfactorily resolved.
Conditions	Proposed work must be approved through the heritage permitting process
Previous Grants	No
Comments	Recommended for Approval subject to noted condition.
Grant Amount	Up to \$5,000.00



Designated Heritage Property Grant Application

Name	Roger Kortschot
Address	118 Main Street Unionville
Status	Part V Class 'A' dwelling in the Unionville HCD
Grant Project	Production of wooden storm windows to appropriately fit the historic window openings
Estimate 1	Schell Lumber - \$3,842.00
Estimate 2	N/A
Eligibility	Proposed work meets eligibility requirements of the program
Conditions	Heritage Permit
Previous Grants	No
Comments	Recommended for Approval, subject to noted condition.
Grant Amount	Up to \$1,921.00



Designated Heritage Property Grant Application

Name	Hana Song
Address	123 Main Street Unionville
Status	Part IV & V Class 'A' designated dwelling in the Unionville HCD
Grant Project	Repair of front veranda floor deck and repair of trims of veranda posts and sanding and repainting of storm windows
Estimate 1	Varley Homes Inc. \$12,317.00
Estimate 2	Fresh Coat Painting \$12,995.00
Eligibility	The proposed work is eligible for funding.
Conditions	Proposed work requires a heritage permit
Previous Grants	No
Comments	Recommended for approval subject to the applicant securing a heritage permit for the work and providing the invoice for the completed work.
Grant Amount	Up to \$5,000.00



Designated Heritage Property Grant Application

Name	David & Valerie Burke
Address	26 Colborne Street , Thornhill
Status	Part V Class 'A' dwelling in the Thornhill HCD
Grant Project	Removal of later wooden cove siding in order to reveal and restore earlier wooden clapboard siding
Estimate 1	David Wylie Restorations Ltd. \$28,250.00
Estimate 2	Mac Gillivray Painting & Decorating \$37,290
Eligibility	The proposed work is eligible for funding.
Conditions	Yes, \$5,000.00 in 2015 for the restoration of clapboard siding
Previous Grants	No
Comments	Recommended for approval subject to the applicant securing a heritage permit for the work and providing the invoice for the completed work.
Grant Amount	Up to \$4,630.89



Designated Heritage Property Grant Application

Name	Stephanie Ho
Address	1 Millbrook Gate, Buttonville
Status	Part IV & V Class 'A' dwelling in the Buttonville HCD
Grant Project	Repairs to floor deck and railing of south facing veranda
Estimate 1	Dreamhouse Fence and Deck \$15,374.30
Estimate 2	Velusina design and Construction Inc. \$19,871.57
Eligibility	The work was considered eligible for funding in 2019 at the discretion of the Manager of Heritage Planning despite not being visible to the public nor part of the heritage portion of the dwelling.
Conditions	NA
Previous Grants	Yes, \$5,000.00 in 2018 for repairs to the north street facing veranda
Comments	Not recommended for approval based on the amount of funding available in 2021 and because the work is not visible from the public realm, it incorporates non-heritage materials and does not restore or preserve a genuine heritage feature of the property.
Grant Amount	\$0.00

