



MEMORANDUM



TO: Heritage Markham Committee

FROM: Peter Wokral, Senior Heritage Planner

DATE: October 9, 2024

SUBJECT: Commercial Signage Replacement Grant Application
34 Main St. N. Markham Village

Property/Building Description: 2-storey dwelling and place of business constructed in 1880

Use: Commercial

Heritage Status: Designated under Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act and identified as a Type A building in the Markham Village Heritage Conservation District, or Buildings that define the heritage character of the District.

Application/Proposal

- The owner of the property has applied to the City's Commercial Signage Replacement Grant Program to help fund the replacement of two existing internally illuminated signs located on the south wall of the building, considered to be grandfathered and legal non-conforming, but incompatible with the historic character of the Markham Village Heritage Conservation District.

Background

- The Commercial Signage Replacement Grant was created to encourage the replacement of legal non-conforming internally illuminated signs installed prior to the City's Sign By-law's prohibition of internally illuminated signs in the City's Heritage Districts.
- The program offers a maximum grant of up to \$1,000.00 subject to certain conditions to design, produce and install more appropriate signage using any funds available from the City's Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program.
- The applicant has obtained approval for the new non-illuminated signs through a Sign Permit, and there are sufficient remaining funds from the 2024 Commercial Façade Improvement Grant program to fund a grant request of up to \$1,000.00.

Staff Comment

- Staff recommends that Heritage Markham support the application to the City's Commercial Signage Replacement Grant Program by the owner of 34 Main St. N. subject to the applicant meeting the eligibility requirements of the program.

Suggested Recommendation for Heritage Markham

THAT Heritage Markham supports the application by the owner of 34 Main St. N. to the City's Commercial Signage Replacement Grant up to a maximum of \$1,000.00 provided the applicant meets the eligibility requirements of the program.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 -Location Map

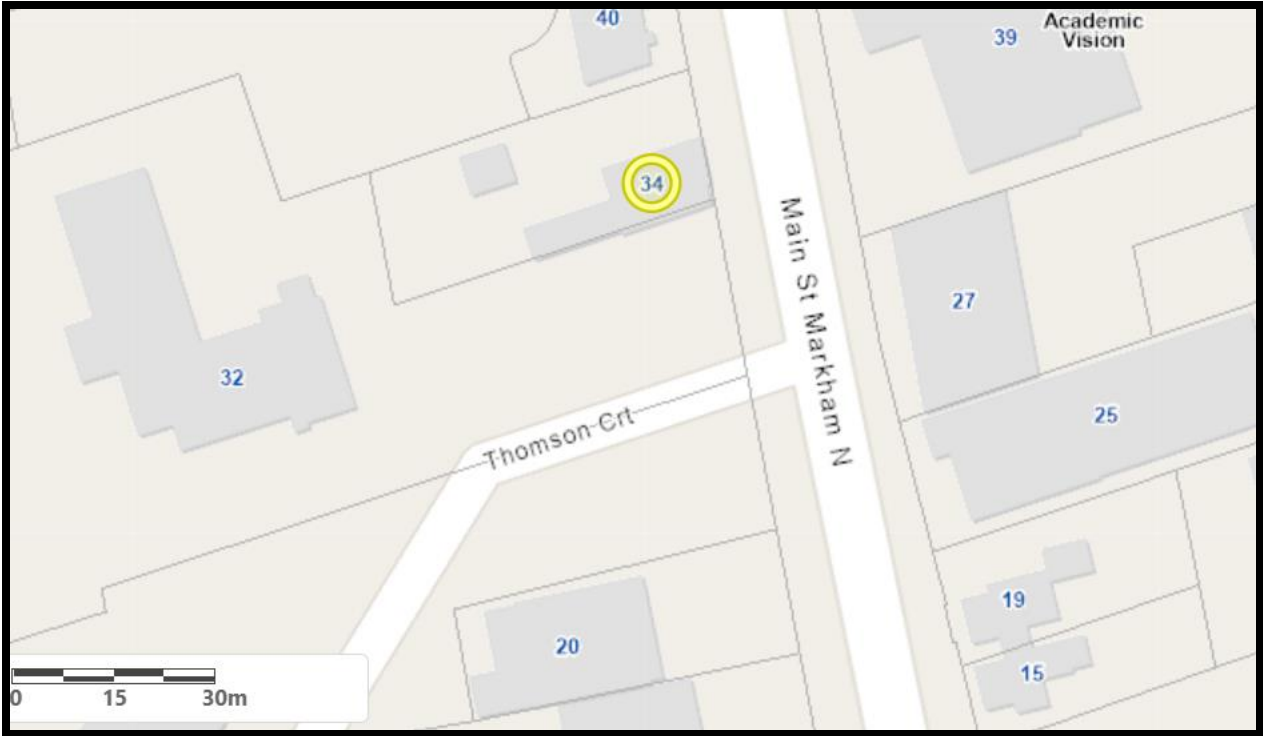
Attachment 2- Image of the Building showing existing Legal Non-Conforming Internally Illuminated Signage

Attachment 3- Proposed New Appropriate Signage Approved by City through a Sign Permit

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Attachment 1- Location Map



Attachment 2- Image of the Building showing existing Legal Non-Conforming Internally Illuminated Signage



Google Street View image from 2009

Attachment 3- Proposed New Appropriate Signage Approved by City through a Sign Permit

