



MEMBER MOTION

Section 5.4.4(b) of Procedure By-law

Meeting:	Committee of the Whole
Meeting Date:	July 2 nd , 2025
Subject/Title:	Heritage Grant Program
Submitted by:	Mayor West

Whereas the City of Richmond Hill is committed to supporting heritage conservation through its cultural heritage planning programs, such as the identification and designation of properties on the Municipal Heritage Register, the Heritage Richmond Hill (HRH) Advisory Committee, the Heritage Permit Process, and the Heritage Grant Program;

Whereas through Bills 23 and 200, all non-designated heritage properties will automatically be removed from the City's Heritage Register on December 31, 2026 and thus lose their protection from demolition;

Whereas the City has been actively pursuing the designation of priority listed properties under its heritage designation strategy in response to the Province's deadline;

Whereas designated heritage property owners rely on the City's Heritage Grant Program for financial assistance to conserve, repair and restore their heritage properties up to 50% of rehabilitation costs to a maximum of \$5,000.00; and

Whereas the cost of building repair and replacement, like many other construction and material costs, have risen over the years yet the Heritage Grant amount has remained the same since it was first established in 2013;

Therefore Be It Resolved That:

Staff be directed to review the Heritage Grant Program to identify a way to more effectively incentivize the owners of designated heritage buildings and report back by the end of Q4 2025.

Moved by: Mayor West

Seconded by: