

Thornhill Heritage Conservation District Plan – Building Inventory (B)

94 John Street

Description of Property

The house at 94 John Street is located at the north east corner of John Street and Leahill Drive.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

This classic example of an Arts and Crafts Movement inspired bungalow was constructed c.1929. It is representative of the later history of the Thornhill community as it underwent transformation from a rural mill village into a suburban community on the fringes of Toronto, thanks to the accessibility provided by the Metropolitan Radial Railway, and later, the automobile. The house has contextual value in supporting the village-like character of old Thornhill.

The house is a good example of a common small housing type of its era. Its cultural heritage value is enhanced by its very intact exterior. The low profile, cutaway sunroom porch, banks of windows, and small attic dormer are distinctive features characteristic of this style of early 20th century domestic architecture.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Exterior character-defining attributes that embody the cultural heritage value of 94 John Street include:

- rectangular plan
- one and a half storey height
- hipped roof with hipped roof front dormer
- red brick single stack chimney
- red brick wall finish
- moulded concrete block foundation
- enclosed cutaway sunroom porch with a brick column at the corner
- brick railings with stone or concrete copings on either side of the front steps
- original door and window openings with brick arches and projecting stone or concrete sills
- 2/1 sash style windows
- small windows on either side of the fireplace chimney
- gable roofed stable/shed in the rear yard



9.1 Architectural Styles

9.1.1 Heritage Styles Residential Buildings

Bungalow/Arts and Crafts 1900-1930

Asymmetrical façade

Rectangular or irregular plan

Low-pitched gable or hip roof with wide eaves, exposed rafter ends may have brackets on gable ends

Shed or gable-roofed dormers

May have closed gable ends with pent roof and wood shingled wall finish

Prominent exterior fireplace chimney with small windows on either side



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Glazed and panelled door, may have sidelights

Casement-style windows singly or in groups, multiple lights

Box bay windows

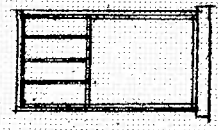
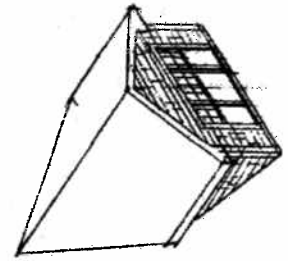
1 ½ or 2 storeys

Brick, clapboard, wood shingles and stucco typical local exterior treatments

Deep porch, sometimes under main roof, supported on heavy wood posts resting on brick or riverstone pedestals

Glazed sunroom or screened sleeping porch are common features

Typical Design Elements:



11 Colborne Street



86 John Street