

KINGSVILLE MUNICIPAL HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT TO COUNCIL RE. 183 MAIN STREET EAST DEMOLITION APPLICATION

BACKGROUND

183 Main Street East (The Esther Jasperson Campbell House) is on the municipal register of properties of cultural heritage value or interest. At its March 9, 2020 meeting, Council voted to commence the designation process for the subject property under the *Ontario Heritage Act* through the issuance of a Notice of Intention to Designate. That process, now underway, was initiated under the *Act* in response to an application for demolition of the subject property.

Council has received correspondence from Baroudi Law Professional Corporation dated April 29, 2020 again requesting consent to demolish. At its May 25, 2020 meeting, Council referred the correspondence to the Kingsville Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee (Motion 339-2020) for consultation.

At its June 18, 2020 meeting, the Committee reviewed its research report prepared in response to the original application for a demolition permit. The Committee reviewed its Heritage Resources Evaluation Sheet showing the property scored 81 out of a possible 100 points. The sheet, the Committee's assessment tool developed and employed in accordance with all applicable regulations under the *Act*, shows the Esther Jasperson Campbell House scores as a Class 1 building, exceeding the threshold for designation. The Committee discussed the fact it had scored the property conservatively given that the owners of the property would not allow Committee members access during the scoring process.

The Esther Jasperson Campbell House remains a perfectly serviceable home. Other structures on the property, including one developed for commercial use, appear to be in good repair.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Kingsville Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee recommends Council refuse the application for consent to demolish 183 Main Street East given the property's heritage value.