

Cambridge Council:

I would have liked to register as a delegation for the December 5 council meeting, but am not able to attend. Instead, I am sending this note to express my support for the unanimous decision of the MHAC Committee to designate the property at 44-46 Park Hill Rd. E and to refuse the developer's request for demolition.

The house on the property is of enough historic value to warrant preservation. The fact that it is estimated to have been built as early as the 1860's should be enough, but add that it represents an older Ontario style of domestic architecture with exterior brickwork of a style inherited from the UK.

There have been far too much loss of our historic architecture in Cambridge and there seems to be no good reason for demolition of this house. As far as I understand, it has not been deemed structurally unsound and the size of the lot does not appear to be of sufficient size for the developer's proposal.

I urge council to support MHAC and to preserve this 19th C house, which is of a type that is fast disappearing. While we do need more apartments, this site is not, in my opinion, a suitable site.

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