

Descriptive sheet

231 Cobourg St

Municipal Address	231 Cobourg Street	Building name	231 Cobourg St
Legal description		Lot:	Block: Plan:
Age/Date of Construction	1935-1947	Original use	
		Present use	



Source: Ron J. Roy

Date: 2006/27/10

Heritage Status

Existing heritage building	Name:	
	Bylaw / date:	
Existing heritage district	Name:	
	Bylaw / date:	
Potential Heritage Building:	not defined	
Potential Heritage District:	not defined	
Comments:		

Phase 2 Evaluation Results

Prepared by: Date:

Score	100 - 70	69 - 55	55 - 40	39 - 0
Group			3	

History

Prepared by: Carolyn Van Sligtenhorst Date: 2007/04/17

Age/Date of Construction (Factual/Estimated)

Between 1935-47.

M1878: Area not covered by map.

M1888(1901): Area not covered by map.

First building:

M1902(1912): 2 1/2 storey brick dwelling with shingled roof, front porch.

M1902(1922): Same

Second building (same as current):

M1948: 2 storey building, brick on concrete with tar & gravel roof.

M1956: Same

Events**Persons/Institutions**

D1923-Not listed

D1934-Not listed

D1948 - Apartments (all occupants)

Bell and Vera M. MacKintosh

1 - Patterson G. Murphy

2 - J. Leslie and Dorothy Elvidge

Developmental Context

This apartment building reflects increased later demand for more modest, multi-unit residential development on Cobourg Street in the 30s and 40s. .

Summary/Comments on historical significance

The historical significance of this building lies in its role in continuing the residential development of Cobourg Street.

Historical sources

- June 1878 Insurance Plan of Ottawa, Ontario. National Map Collection, Public Archives Canada.
- January 1888 Key Plan of Ottawa and Vicinity. (Revised 1901). National Map Collection, Public Archives Canada.
- September 1902 Key Plan of the City of Ottawa, Ontario. Volume 1 (Revised 1912). National Map Collection, Public Archives Canada.
- September 1902 Insurance Plan of the City of Ottawa, Ontario. Volume 1 (Revised 1922). National Map Collection, Public Archives Canada.
- November 1948 Fire Insurance Map, Ottawa, Ontario. Volume 2. National Map Collection, Public Archives Canada.
- October 1956 Fire Insurance Map, Ottawa, Ontario. Volume 2. National Map Collection, Public Archives Canada.
- The Ottawa City Directory, 1934, 1948.

Architecture**Prepared by:** Chris Wiebe **Date:** 2007/02/08**Architectural characteristics and design**

Property characteristics: Single use institutional. Detached, 2 storey with rectangular plan, center entry and occupied basement. Site features consist of parking lot at side.

Exterior elements: Flat roof of unknown material; 1 brick chimney. Decorative roof elements include a raised parapet. Exterior brick wall with string courses, brick corbels, stone sills, quoins of brick and decorative brick patterns. Parged foundation.

Windows and doors: Rectangular wood double hung 1 x 1 8 x 8 windows. Metal storm windows. Octagonal window on upper storey. Single metal front door with transom window in door.

Other features: 1 storey wood porch with flat roof, pediment and wood brackets.

Architectural Stylistic Influences

Federal stylistic influences

Designer/Builder/Architect

N/A

Architectural integrity

Medium to high: Non-original door, storm windows, and some other windows affect integrity.

Other**Summary/Comments on architectural significance**

This is one of a small number of purpose-built apartment buildings in Sandy Hill dating from the middle years of the 20th century. It is somewhat atypical in its modest Federal stylistic influence, characterized by the broken pediment at the door surround surmounted by an octagonal window. The symmetrical composition, the double hung windows with divided lights, and the implied Classical detailing of the brick quoins and cornice are all significant elements of the facade and should remain in future renovations.

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Compatibility with surroundings:

Pattern of site use: Atypical (corner site facing Cobourg, rather than Wilbrod)
 Use: Typical (residential)
 Height/Volume: Typical
 Materials: Typical (brick)
 Typology: Type 8 (apartment)

Community context/Landmark status

This property makes a moderate contribution to the history and architecture of the neighbourhood.

Summary/Comments on environmental significance

This property is modestly compatible with the block in which it sits.

HISTORY	Age/Date of Construction	Pre 1890	1891 - 1900	1901 - 1910	1911 - 1925	1926 - 1950	1951 +	Score
		10	8 - 9	6 - 7	4 - 5	✓ 1 - 3	0	2/10
	Events / Persons			High	Medium	Low	N / A	1/5
				4 - 5	3	✓ 1 - 2	0	
Developmental Context			High	Medium	Low			8/15
			11 - 15	✓ 6 - 10	1 - 5			
Total								11/30

ARCHITECTURE	Architectural characteristics	Proportion/Scale	Detail/Craftsmanship	Coherence	Score
		3/5	3/5	3/5	9/15
	Stylistic Influence	Strong	Medium	Weak	10/15
		11 - 15	✓ 6 - 10	0 - 5	
Designer / Builder / Architect	Renowned	Known	Unknown	0/5	
	3 - 5	1 - 2	✓ 0		
Architectural Integrity	High	Medium	Low	3/5	
	4 - 5	✓ 2 - 3	0 - 1		
Total					22/40

CONTEXT	Compatibility with surroundings	Sets example	Reinforces pattern	Compatible with pattern	Incompatible with pattern	Score
		15 - 20	10 - 14	✓ 5 - 9	0 - 4	6/20
	Community Context/Landmark Status	Strong	Moderate	Weak	No	5/10
		7 - 10	✓ 4 - 6	1 - 3	0	
Total						11/30

Phase II score	44/100
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Heritage Status	Group	3
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