

# Advisory Committee of Council Staff Report

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To Heritage Guelph  
Date Monday, September 9, 2024  
Subject **302 & 306 Edinburgh Road South: Application to remove properties from the Municipal Register of Cultural Heritage Properties**

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## Recommendation

1. THAT Heritage Guelph supports the planned relocation of the stone markers listed on the Municipal Register of Heritage Properties to their original location at 99 Woolwich Street
  2. THAT Heritage Guelph supports the removal of 302 and 306 Edinburgh Road South from the Municipal Register of Cultural Heritage Properties after the stone markers listed on the Municipal Register of Cultural Heritage Properties have been successfully removed and reinstalled at 99 Woolwich Street
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## Executive Summary

### Purpose of Report

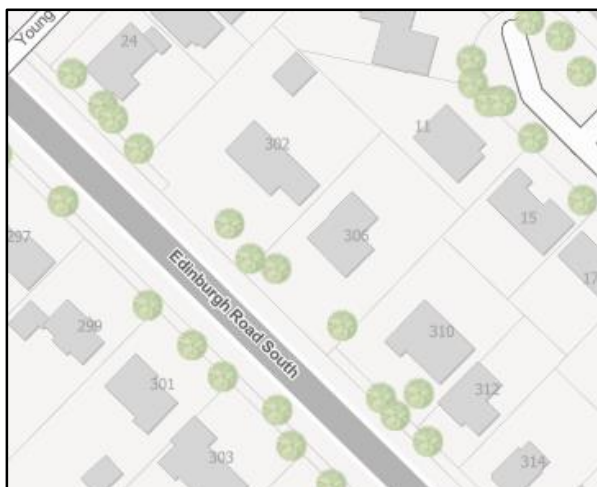
The purpose of this report is to provide Heritage Guelph with the staff recommendation for the relocation of the stone markers listed on the Municipal Register at 302 and 306 Edinburgh Road South, and for the removal of 302 and 306 Edinburgh Road South from the Municipal Register of Cultural Heritage Properties

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## Report

### Location

Figure 1: Location of the properties (City of Guelph GIS)



## Background

Heritage planning staff received an application to removed 302 and 306 Edinburgh Road South from the Municipal Register of Cultural Heritage Properties. The properties are listed on the register because of the presence of four stone markers that are considered significant cultural heritage resources in the City of Guelph. The stone markers were originally located at St George's Church at 99 Woolwich Street where they functioned as gateposts (see Figure 2 below) until the mid-twentieth century, when they were relocated to their current location. It is possible that the markers date to the original St George's Church located in St George's square, as the Parish Historical Committee has indicated that such markers were traditionally used to demarcate Church property.

Figure 2: Photograph of St George's Church from the 1880s showing stone markers in foreground (Wellington County Museum and Archives)



Heritage planning staff, in consultation with the property owner, agreed to support the removal of these properties from the Municipal Register of Cultural Heritage Properties if the four stone markers could be carefully removed and re-installed at their approximate original locations at St George's Church. The property owners retained Tacoma Engineers to draft a plan to reinstall the markers. Heritage planning staff are satisfied with the proposed plan for relocation (See Attachment 1).

## **Staff Recommendation**

Heritage planning staff support the return of the stone markers to their original location at St George's Church as this is mutually beneficial to both the markers, and St George's Church, one of the City's most significant heritage properties. The return of the markers to Woolwich Street is good conservation practice and will enrich the Downtown Guelph cultural heritage landscape.

Heritage Planning staff recommend that Heritage Guelph support the relocation and reinstallation of the stone markers to 99 Woolwich Street (St George's Church), and that the properties at 302 and 306 Edinburgh Road South be removed from the Municipal Register of Cultural Heritage Properties following the successful relocation and reinstallation of the stone markers.

## **Attachments**

Attachment 1 – Plan and Drawing

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