

Municipal Heritage Designation

Why Designation?

Recognize – Designating a property as a Municipal Heritage Property publicly recognizes a property's value to the community.

Protect - *The Heritage Property Act* allows City Council to designate any property as a Municipal Heritage Property, thereby providing protections from demolition or substantial alteration over time.

Good Stewardship - Heritage properties contribute to the identity of a community and should be recognized as assets. Designation encourages responsible and careful management which benefits the community for future generations.

Financial Assistance – Cost shared grants are available through the Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation for heritage conservation.

Designation Process

Anyone interested in nominating a property for Heritage Designation may provide a written request to City Council, which includes the following information (typically in a Statement of Significance format):

- Property Information – legal description, civic address, date of construction, architect/builder, etc.
- Heritage Value – the property's value to the community either on an aesthetic, cultural, social, scientific, architectural, or other basis.
- Character Defining Elements – the aspects of the property which contribute to the community value (ex: architectural elements, features which indicate the historic use, etc)

All requests will first be considered by the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee before proceeding to City Council.

Council may pass a Notice of Intention to designate a property, which provides temporary protections and public notice of the proposal.

If no objections are received, Council may pass the Designation Bylaw and list the property in the Municipal Register. The entire process may take several months to complete.

