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**Re: 518 11<sup>th</sup> Street East Tupper House – Application for Repair of Front Door**

A request has been made by the owner of the Tupper House regarding the repair of a front door. The bevelled window feature of the front door was broken as a result of vandalism. The key character defining elements of the structure include:

“Its eclectic, late Victorian architecture, with Queen Anne influences, evident in its clapboard wood exterior, asymmetrical form, hipped roof with front-facing gable, windows, trim, mouldings, lintels, and front door with decorative accents.”

Since the door is listed as a character defining element of the home, the homeowner would like to restore the door and replace the glass to match the original as closely as possible. The proposed restoration of the wooden door will adhere to the *Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada* pertaining to ‘wood and wood products’. The loose and broken wood portions of the door will be repaired, and the existing paint will be removed from the door. The homeowner has proposed either staining the door to preserve the original look of the wood, or to repaint the door, depending on the condition of the wood after the paint has been removed. The Victorian “twist” doorbell feature will be re-installed after removing the paint as it is still functional.

Due to the extent of damage to the glass portion of the door, the glass cannot be repaired. The window will instead be replaced and matched to the original as closely as possible using the surviving glass as a template.

The anticipated cost of this work ranges between \$1330 and \$3000, and the glass portion will be covered by insurance. A grant has been requested in order to offset the cost of this project.

The property owner would like direction from the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee regarding this proposed project.

I have attached a photo of the original door, along with photos of the damaged door.

This proposal will be discussed at the February 5th, 2020 MHAC meeting.

Regards,

Catherine Kambeitz

Attachment: Photo of Existing Door before damage  
Photo of damage to window portion of front door

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