



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Heritage Markham Committee

**FROM:** Peter Wokral, Senior Heritage Planner

**DATE:** September 8, 2021

**SUBJECT: Building Permit Application**  
303 Main Street North, Markham Village Heritage Conservation District  
Removal and reinstallation of historic board and batten siding to permit the installation of insulation  
File: HP 21 133311

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**Property/Building Description:** 1 ½ storey dwelling constructed c. 1880

**Use:** Residential

**Heritage Status:** Designated under Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act and identified as a Class 'A' structure in the Markham Village Heritage Conservation District Plan. Buildings that provide the heritage character of the district.

### **Application/Proposal**

- The owner has submitted a building permit application seeking approval to carefully remove the existing exterior board and batten siding so that the exterior walls can be insulated with spray foam insulation without disturbing the interior walls of the home;
- The application proposes re-installation of the original board and batten siding in the same position on top of 3/8" thick furring strips and 3/8" plywood sheathing which would make the exterior walls 3/4" thicker than they are now;
- The application also specifies re-installation of exterior door and window casings after the siding has been re-installed to maintain the existing relationship between trims and siding;

### **Background**

- This approach to insulating a heritage house has been previously approved by the City and completed successfully at 4 Peter Street in Markham Village and 26 Colborne Street in Thornhill;

### **Staff Comment**

- Staff has no objection to the proposal to remove and reinstall the existing board and batten siding at 36 Church Street to permit insulation of the exterior walls from the

outside, as this will extend the life of the original siding while making the home more comfortable for the occupants with minimal change to the appearance of the building;

- Therefore Staff recommends that Heritage Markham have no objection to the building permit application for 36 Church St..

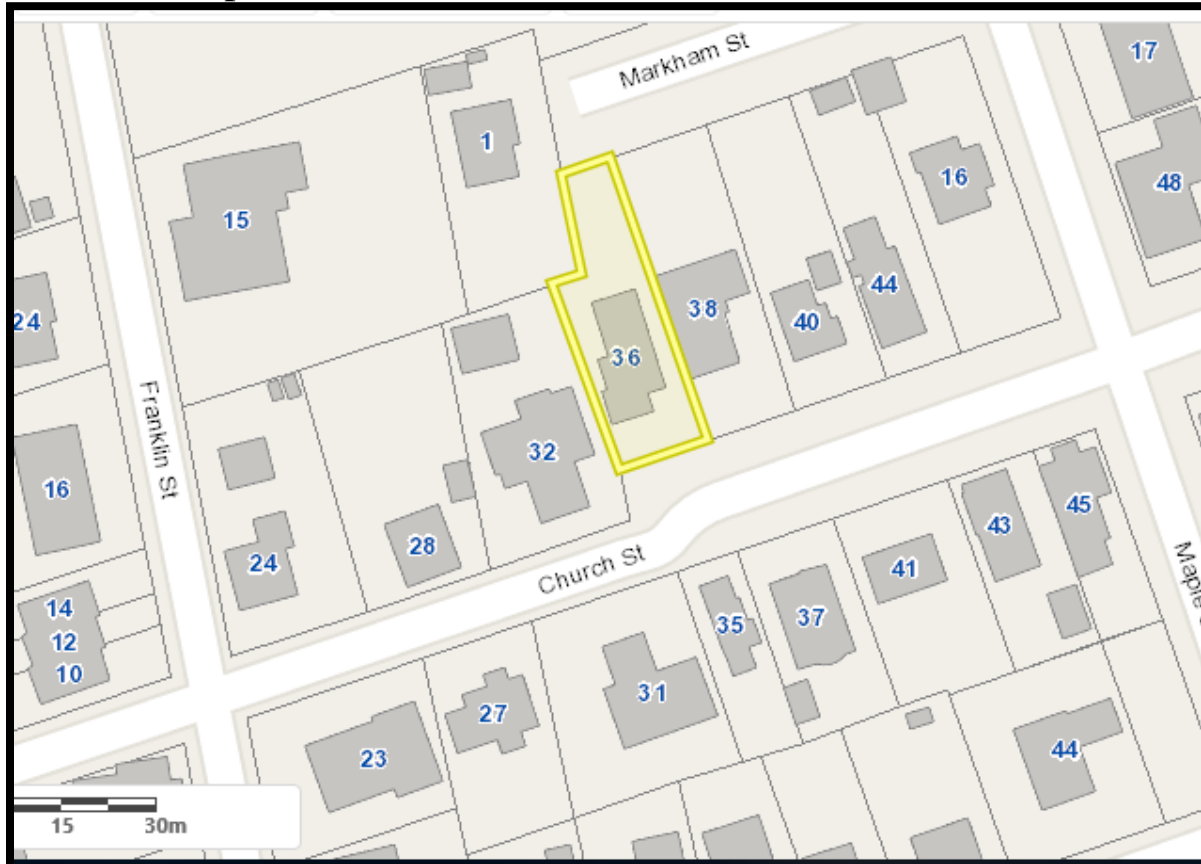
### **Suggested Recommendation for Heritage Markham**

THAT Heritage Markham has no objection to the building permit application HP 21 133311 for 36 Church Street to remove and reinstall the historic board and batten siding to permit the insulation of the dwelling from the exterior;

AND THAT final review of the application be delegated to Heritage Section staff;

File: 36 Church Street, Markham Village

36 Church Street,  
Markham Village Heritage Conservation District  
Location Map



36 Church Street,  
Markham Village Heritage Conservation District  
Photograph of Dwelling



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