

SCHEDULE "G" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 4-78

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION (206 Main Street, Unionville)

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The adobe brick dwelling located at 206 Main Street, Unionville Ontario is recommended for designation for architectural and historical reasons. It is believed to be the oldest remaining house in the former village of Unionville, constructed circa 1829 by a member of the pioneer Eckhardt family. The adobe bricks were later covered by stucco and fired bricks.

This one-storey square house is three bays wide and is a fine example of the very popular Ontario Cottage style. In the front which faces east, the openings are all very generous. The Neo-classical porch has a shallow wall relief neatly constructed with a shelf entablature and four square pilasters, two on either side of the main door. Between each pair of pilasters there are recessed side lights. The windows flanking the entranceway are Venetian ones with side lights. The roof is a low hipped one with a chimney located on the north wall and another on the south wall. Under the eaves there is a narrow band of unadorned frieze.

The house was probably built by Frederick Eckhardt. Since 1921 Ewart Stiver has lived in the house. It has been in his family since 1873 when the Jenkins family left the farm. The Jenkins called it 'Fern Cottage'.