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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL ADDRESSES IN THE CITY OF WINDSOR, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

REGISTERED MAIL

To: Ontario Heritage Foundation 77 Bloor Street West Toronto, Ontario M7A 2R9

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Windsor intends to designate the following properties including lands and buildings, at the following municipal addresses, as properties of architectural and/or historical value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act:

I (455 Kennedy Drive West (Block E, Plan 1241 and part Lot 140, Plan 1478)

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION:

Historical:

- The golf course was the centrepiece of the Roseland Park subdivision developed by Henry James "Harry" Neal – local entrepreneur and avid sportsman (1883-1961). It was Harry Neal who brought Donald Ross to Windsor to layout the Roseland Park golf course in 1926.
- An accountant by training, Harry Neal headed his family's Neal Baking Company from 1915 until he sold the business to a national conglomerate in 1925.
- Harry Neal was instrumental in establishing, and was the first President of, the Windsor Rotary Club. He served for many years on the Windsor Board of Education, as both member and president. Helped establish the continuing Essex-Kent Boys Golf Tournament.
- The course was purchased by the City of Windsor in 1973 and is run by an appointed board of directors at no cost to taxpayers.

Architectural:

- Eighteen-hole Roseland Golf Course was designed by Donald J. Ross in 1926, golf's most renowned and respected architect. Ross designed and/or remodelled only about 15 courses in Canada, two in Essex County -Roseland (built 1927) and Essex Golf and Country Club (built in 1929).
- The basic Ross design remains at Roseland; all 18 holes are in the same spot, starting and finishing in the same place as originally designed, with greens in their original position.
- Greens predominately slope from back-to-front and feature multiple tiers, diagonal swales, and centre ridges.
- Original Ross sketches of all eighteen greens and a written course description exist, as does an overhead rendering of Ross's plan for Roseland prepared by W. Irving Johnson, of Donald J. Ross Associates (1926).

II 225 Giles Boulevard West (Lot 234 and part Lot 235, Plan 581)

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION:

Historical:

- Built in 1919 1920 for William Thomas Wesgate (1870-1933) who is best known as the manufacturer of fine ice cream, owning the Wesgate Ice Cream Manufacturing Plant, originally located on the southwest corner of Strabane and Sandwich Streets (Riverside Dr.) in Ford City.
- Active in municipal politics, Mr. Wesgate was a councillor in Ford City (1917-1918) and in Windsor (1927-1929), as well as serving on the Windsor Public School Board for four years, serving as chairman in 1924.
- Mr. Wesgate lived in the home until his death in 1933, while his widow (Jessie) remained until 1966.

Architectural:

- Excellent and well-preserved example of the Colonial Revival style home-symmetrical, 2 ½ storey, red brick home with a gable roof.
- Architectural elements of note include: prominent front doorway with arched entrance porch with Doric columns/pilasters, dentiled cornices and gable ends, arch-roofed dormers, single storey wings with balustraded decks, grouped windows with original pane patterns (generally 6/1 or 4/1), Palladian windows on the gable ends, shallow wooden ell on west façade, original red tile roof, matching hip-roofed garage with wooden doors.

Any person may, within 30 days of the publication of this notice, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the City of Windsor notice of his or her objection to the proposed designations together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If such a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Windsor shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

> DATED at Windsor, Ontario this 2nd day of March, 2002 John Skorobohacz, Commissioner of Council Services and City Clerk

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