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### Location

30-32 Parker Street WILLIAMSTOWN, Hobsons Bay City

### Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

### Level of significance

Incl in HO area contributory

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO246

### Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

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### Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The shops and residences, constructed c.1886, at 30-32 Parker Street, Williamstown.

How is it Significant?

The shops and residences at 30-32 Parker Street, Williamstown are of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

#### Why is it Significant?

Historically, they demonstrate the historic development of minor shopping centres in Williamstown adjacent to Nelson Place at a time when the port was the focus of the town. (AHC criteria A4 and D2)

Aesthetically, they are significant as a near original timber shop pair in a common commercial form but distinguished by its timber ornament, in contrast to the common stucco type and the whole timber construction, which is unusual for surviving commercial architecture. They also possess valuable shop front details and contribute to an isolated early commercial group that includes the former shop at No 28. (AHC criteria B2, E1 and F1)

Heritage Study/Consultant Hobsons Bay - Hobsons Bay Heritage Study, Hobsons Bay City Council, 2006;

Hermes Number 22225

Property Number

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## Physical Description 1

A parapeted timber boarded shop pair with cornice mouldings and pilasters, an arcaded timber shop front with a recessed entry, four-panel doors and panelling at the stall boards. Segment-arched, raised entablatures mark each tenancy at the parapet. Generally original except the street verandah has been removed.

The shops are comparable with a relatively small number of wholly timber built shop fronts and parapeted facades in the state: one notable group being in Tungamah, also of the 1880s. The lack of fire resistant side walls in these shops is a further distinguishing aspect.

## Integrity

External integrity and condition

*Integrity* - Moderate. *Condition* - Good.

## Physical Description 2

Context

Part of an isolated group, (28-32 Parker Street) of old timber shop dwellings.

## Historical Australian Themes

Making Suburbs

## Physical Description 3

*Associations*

John Brew, Patrick Barry.

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