

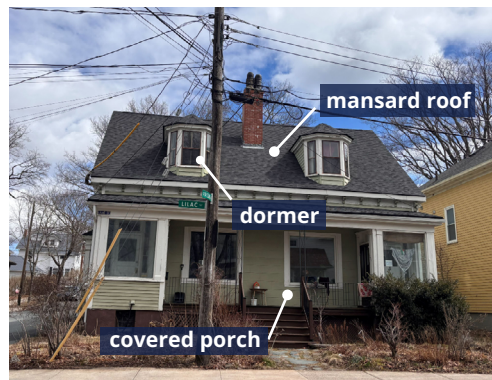
Building Design

Good building design creates pedestrian friendly environments that are welcoming and street oriented. When buildings along a street are scaled to the pace of people walking, the streetscape feels more comfortable, engaging, and relatable.

This **“human-scale design”** can be achieved through upper-storey stepbacks, detailed streetwalls, weather protection, and frequent entrances. Together, these elements create safe, welcoming, and interesting pedestrian environments that support walking, gathering, and social interaction.

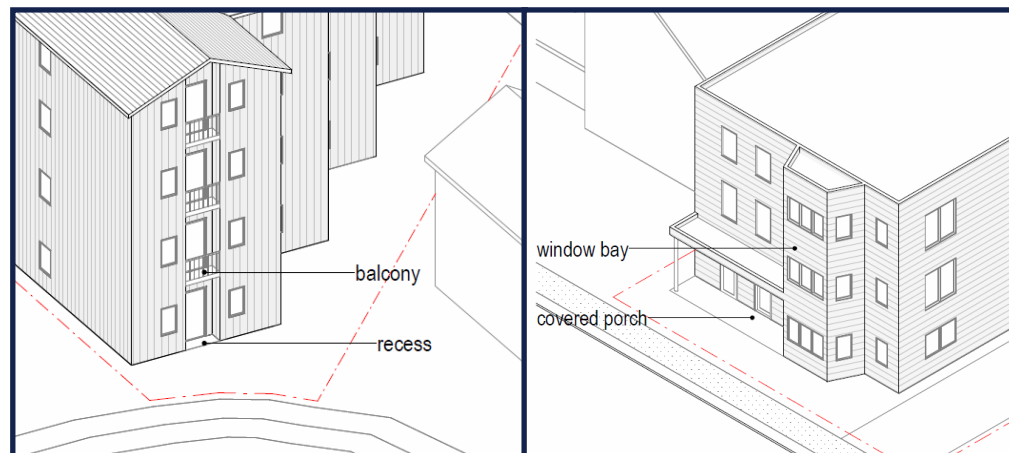


Some common features of dwellings across the ER-3 zone include:



To promote this design approach in the ER-3 zone, multi-unit dwellings (5-8 units) are required to incorporate a minimum amount of windows and entrances along the street, as well as at least two features from the following list:

- A window bay;
- A balcony on every storey;
- A covered or enclosed porch; or
- A recession (portion that is pushed back) of the building wall.



Questions:

What building features create a friendly environment on your street?

What building features would help multi-unit dwellings fit better in your neighbourhood?