

**Authority:** Item 7(b), Planning Committee Report 24-012 (PED24123)  
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Written approval for this by-law was given by Mayoral Decision MDE-2024 24  
Dated November 13, 2024

**Bill No. 200**

**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**BY-LAW NO. 24-200**

**To Designate Property Located at 634 Rymal Road West, City of Hamilton as  
Property of Cultural Heritage Value**

**WHEREAS** section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18 authorizes Council of the municipality to enact by-laws to designate property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

**AND WHEREAS** Council of the City of Hamilton has received and considered the recommendations of its Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee pertaining to this by-law, arising from the meeting of the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee held on August 19, 2024;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council of the City of Hamilton, at its meeting held on September 11, 2024, resolved to direct the City Clerk to take appropriate action to designate the Property described as 634 Rymal Road West, in the City of Hamilton, and more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto (the "Property"), as property of cultural heritage value or interest, which resolution was confirmed by By-law No. 24-161;

**AND WHEREAS** in accordance with subsection 29(3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, Council of the City of Hamilton has caused to be served on the owner of the Property and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, a Notice of Intention to Designate the Property as being of cultural heritage value or interest, and has caused a Notice of Intention to Designate to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule "B";

**AND WHEREAS** no Notice of Objection to the proposed designation under section 29(5) of the *Ontario Heritage Act* has been served upon the Clerk of the municipality;

**AND WHEREAS** Council has decided to designate the Property in accordance with section 29(8) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. A statement explaining the cultural heritage value or interest of the Property, and a description of the heritage attributes of the Property are set out in Schedule "C" hereto.

2. The Property, together with its heritage attributes listed in Schedule “C” hereto, is hereby designated as property of cultural heritage value or interest.
3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed,
  - a. to cause a copy of this By-law, together with the statement of cultural heritage value or interest and description of heritage attributes of the Property, to be served on the Ontario Heritage Trust, the owner of the Property, and any person who served an objection to the Notice of Intention to Designate, by a method permitted by the *Ontario Heritage Act*; and,
  - b. to publish a notice of passing of this By-law in a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Hamilton. Once this By-law comes into force and effect in accordance with the applicable provisions of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, the City Solicitor is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this By-law, together with its Schedules, to be registered against the whole of the Property described in Schedule “A” hereto in the proper registry office.

**PASSED** this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2024.

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A. Horwath  
Mayor

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M. Trennum  
City Clerk

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**Schedule "A"**

**To**

**By-law No. 24-200**

**634 Rymal Road West  
Hamilton, Ontario**

PIN: 16908-0773 (LT)

Legal Description: PT LT 20, CON 8 BARTON , AS IN VM85948 SAVE AND EXCEPT  
PT 1 ON 62R19122; CITY OF HAMILTON

**Schedule "B"**

**To**

**By-law No. 24-200**

**634 Rymal Road West  
Hamilton, Ontario**

**Notice of Intention to Designate  
634 Rymal Road West, Hamilton  
(Union School Section No.3)**

The City of Hamilton intends to designate 634 Rymal Road West, Hamilton, under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, as being a property of cultural heritage value.

**Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest**

The 1927 brick structure located at 634 Rymal Road West is a representative and rare example of a rural Ontario schoolhouse with Tudor Revival influences which displays a high degree of craftsmanship. The property is associated with the historic Union School Section No. 3, which educated children living in three townships in the County of Wentworth as early as 1810. Contextually, this property is visually and historically linked to its surroundings, being in its original location near the border between the former Townships of Barton, Glanford and Ancaster on the historic Rymal Road West transportation corridor. As a large and visually distinctive structure set well back on a prominent corner lot, this highly visible building is considered a local landmark.

The Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest, Description of Heritage Attributes and supporting Cultural Heritage Assessment may be found online via [www.hamilton.ca](http://www.hamilton.ca) or viewed at the Office of the City Clerk, 71 Main Street West, 1st Floor, Hamilton, Ontario, L8P 4Y5, during regular business hours.

Any person may, within 30 days after the date of the publication of the Notice, serve written notice of their objections to the proposed designation, together with a statement for the objection and relevant facts, on the City Clerk at the Office of the City Clerk.

Dated at Hamilton, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024.



Matthew Trennum  
City Clerk  
Hamilton, Ontario

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**Schedule “C”**

**To**

**By-law No. 24-200**

**634 Rymal Road West  
Hamilton, Ontario**

**STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST, AND  
DESCRIPTION OF HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES**

**Description of Property**

The 1.44-hectare property municipally addressed as 634 Rymal Road West is comprised of a one-storey brick school building originally constructed in 1927 with additions made in 1954 and 1957. The property is located on the northeast corner of the intersection of Rymal Road West and Upper Paradise Road in the former Township of Barton, in the City of Hamilton.

**Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest**

The 1927 single-storey brick structure located at 634 Rymal Road West has design and physical value as it is a representative and rare example of a rural Ontario schoolhouse with Tudor Revival influences which displays a high degree of craftsmanship. The historical value of the property lies in its association with the historic Union School Section No. 3, which provided education to farm families living in three townships in the County of Wentworth as early as 1810, the current structure being the last incarnation of that School Section.

Contextually, this property is visually and historically linked to its surroundings, being in its original location near the border between the former Townships of Barton, Glanford and Ancaster on the historic Rymal Road West transportation corridor. As a large and visually distinctive structure set well back on a prominent corner lot, this highly visible building is considered a local landmark.

**Description of Heritage Attributes**

Key attributes that embody the physical value of the property as a representative and rare example of a rural schoolhouse with Tudor Revival influences displaying a high degree of craftsmanship, and its association with the historic Union School Section No. 3, include:

- The front (south) and side (east and west) elevations and roofline of the one-storey brick 1927 building, including its:
  - T-shaped plan;
  - Truncated hip roof with projecting eaves and cedar shingles;
  - Central bell cupola;
  - Brick facades laid in Stretcher bond with a soldier course above the foundation;
  - Decorative checkerboard bond in the central front façade with half-timbering;
  - Decorative brick parapet with stone accents and date stone reading “UNION NO. 3 A B G 1927”;
  - Flanking covered porches on the front (south) elevation supported by square chamfered columns with decorative brackets and stucco and half-timbering in the gables;
  - Paired wooden doors with six-pane glass windows;
  - Flat-headed window openings with stone lug sills; and,
  - Paired four-over-four hung windows on the western side elevation.

Key attributes that embody the contextual value of the property that is visually and historically linked to its surroundings near the border of the historic Townships of Barton Glanford and Ancaster, and it being a local landmark, include its:

- Location fronting onto Rymal Road West with a deep setback from the public right-of-way and open views to the front (south) elevation across the grassed front yard.