



BY-LAW NO. 2023-0056

A By-law to designate the George C. Kennedy House, located at 20 Queen Street, Halton Hills under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

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

AND WHEREAS authority was granted by the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills to designate the property at 20 Queen Street, Town of Halton Hills, Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as the George C. Kennedy House as being of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills has caused to be served upon the owners of the land and premises known as the George C. Kennedy House at 20 Queen Street, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intention to Designate the property and has caused Notice of Intention to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the Municipality as required by the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND WHEREAS the Reasons for Designation are set out in Schedule "B" of this by-law;

AND WHEREAS on May 29, 2023, Council for the Town of Halton Hills approved Report No. PD-2023-032, dated April 20, 2023, in which certain recommendations were made relating to the designation of the subject property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT the George C. Kennedy House located at 20 Queen Street, and further described in Schedule "A", is hereby designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest for the reasons set out in Schedule "B" attached to and forming part of this By-law;
2. THAT a copy of this By-law together with reasons for the designation be registered against the property and served in accordance with Section 29 of the Act;
3. THAT a notice of this By-law be published in accordance with Section 29 of the Act.

BY-LAW read and passed by the Council for the Town of Halton Hills this 19th day of June, 2023.

MAYOR – ANN LAWLOR

TOWN CLERK – VALERIE PETRYNIAK

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 2023-0056

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

PIN: 250400078

PT LTS 8 & 9, PL 37, SE OF QUEEN ST, AS IN 761809; TOGETHER WITH AN
EASEMENT AS IN 761809 TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

SCHEDULE “B” TO BY-LAW NO. 2023-0056

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

Description of Property

The property at 20 Queen Street in Georgetown contains a one-and-a-half-storey residential building with hipped roof situated within the central portion of the treed lot, with a one-storey garage at the rear accessed via a laneway from Albert Street. The house sits above street level upon a grassed slope, with a stepped dry stone retaining wall above the sidewalk along Queen Street.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The George C. Kennedy House at 20 Queen Street has physical and design value as an excellent example of a brick, Gothic-Revival residential building in the community of Georgetown. The house has retained its one-and-a-half storey form, symmetrical front façade and entrance, dichromatic brick with stone detailing, original window openings on the front and side elevations, and wooden soffit and bargeboard along the eaves.

The George C. Kennedy House also has historical and associative value relating to its associations with the founding family of Georgetown, the Kennedy family. In the 1850s, George Kennedy laid out this survey around the new railway station, and the existing house at 20 Queen Street was built circa 1855 by George Couse Kennedy, son of George and his wife Harriet Kennedy. George C. Kennedy was the owner of the village foundry. The property is also associated with Edward McCannah, stationmaster for the Grand Trunk Railway at Georgetown Station, member of Town Council and Collector of Taxes in Georgetown.

Contextually, the George C. Kennedy House has value as one of several historic properties along Queen Street in Georgetown that defines, maintains and supports the historic character of the area. The property and house are physically and historically linked to several of the existing residences along the street, many of which were constructed by Edward McCannah.

Heritage Attributes

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 20 Queen Street that contribute to its physical and design value and historical and associative value include:

- The setback, placement and orientation of the c.1855 George C. Kennedy House above the east side of Queen Street, Georgetown;
- The scale, form and massing of the building as a one-and-a-half storey, dichromatic brick Gothic Revival residential building with stone foundation;
- The hipped roof with central gable along the front elevation;
- The materials, including dichromatic brick, stone foundation, wooden bargeboard and soffits, wooden shutters (where extant along the side elevations), and stone sills, brick voussoirs and stone hood moulds;
- On the front (southwest) elevation:
 - The centrally-placed entrance within the projecting bay with transom window and sidelights beneath a Gothic-arched window below the central gable peak with wooden bargeboard;
 - The symmetrically placed paired flat-headed window openings on either side of the central entrance with stone sills, brick voussoirs and stone hood moulds;
 - Dichromatic quoining at each corner;

- On the side (southeast and northeast) elevations:
 - Symmetrically placed paired flat-headed window openings with wooden shutters (where extant).

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 20 Queen Street that contribute to its contextual value include:

- The setback, placement and orientation of the c.1855 George C. Kennedy House above the east side of Queen Street, Georgetown; and,
- The scale, form and massing of the building as a one-and-a-half storey, dichromatic brick Gothic Revival residential building with stone foundation.