



BY-LAW NO. 2024-0052

A By-law to designate the Chisholm House, located at 9094 Regional Road 25, 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 9094 Regional Road 25, Town of Halton Hills, Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as the Chisholm 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 Chisholm House, located at 9094 Regional Road 25, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intention to Designate the property and has caused Notice of Intention to be published on the Town's website per the Town's "Ontario Heritage Act – Alternate Notice Policy";

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

AND WHEREAS on April 15, 2024, Council for the Town of Halton Hills approved Report No. PD-2024-027, dated March 27, 2024, 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 Chisholm House, located at 9094 Regional Road 25, 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 8th day of July, 2024.

MAYOR – ANN LAWLOR

TOWN CLERK – VALERIE PETRYNIAK

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 2024-00XX

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

"PT LT 6, CON 2 ESQ, AS IN 229421, EXCEPT PT 1 20R909; EXCEPT PTS 1 & 2, 20R11484; EXCEPT PTS 2 & 3, 20R3009; EXCEPT PT 1 PM 293; S/T 703525; AMENDED FEB 11 '99 J. MENARD, SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT IN GROSS OVER PT 1, 20R18490 AS IN HR943667 TOWN OF HALTON HILLS"

PIN: 249780119

SCHEDULE “B” TO BY-LAW NO. 2024-00XX

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

Description of Property

The subject property is an irregularly shaped parcel located at the northwest corner of 5 Side Road and Regional Road 25 within the historic Scotch Block area in Halton Hills. The property contains a nineteenth-century residential building, several smaller outbuildings, a remnant silo, driving range, and the Bob Rumball Day Centre.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The property at 9094 Regional Road 25 has physical and design value as a representative of a vernacular expression of the Italianate style within the Scotch Block community in the Town of Halton Hills. The two-storey, L-shaped brick building with hipped roof on a stone foundation on the west side of Regional Road 25 has retained features characteristic of the Italianate style, including its hipped roof, strongly accentuated corners, large round-arched and segmentally arched window openings with brick hood-moulds, and tall brick chimney. The existing house continues to be accessed via a mature-tree-lined drive extending from Regional Road 25, with a coniferous windrow to the north, as demonstrated via early mapping and aerial photography.

The property at 9094 Regional Road 25 has strong historical significance due to its associations with the Chisholm family. Thomas Chisholm, who emigrated from Scotland first to the United States and then to Canada in the mid-nineteenth century, settled the property with his family, and the farm remained in the Chisholm family until the 1960s. The property has also long been associated with social services and the deaf community, and with Bob Rumball and the Bob Rumball Canadian Centre of Excellence for the Deaf. Reverend Rumball’s vision and mission, and the work of Henry and Anne Dueck and their family on the farm, have led to decades of service to the deaf community at this location for over 50 years. In this way, Chisholm Farmhouse, adaptively reused since the late 1960s as part of the organization’s work, continues to represent the property’s history of providing services to the local deaf community and beyond.

The property at 9094 Regional Road 25 has contextual value as one of the remaining farmhouses located along Regional Road 25. The existing farmhouse helps to maintain the character of the Scotch Block settlement area which remains rural north of 5 Side Road at the southern terminus of the municipality. The farmhouse has been in this location since the late nineteenth century and is visually and historically linked to its surroundings to the southwest, northwest, and northeast, although the area to the southeast is primarily industrial and changed. The existing tree-lined drive and coniferous windrow to the north of the house reflect its agricultural past in the community. The house, located at the end of a long drive accessed from Regional Road 25, has not been identified as a landmark.

Heritage Attributes

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 9094 Regional Road 25 that contribute to its physical and design value include:

- The setback, location, and orientation of the existing L-shaped residential building known as Chisholm House along Regional Road 25 in the former Scotch Block within the Town of Halton Hills;

- The tree-lined drive extending to the existing residential building from Regional Road 25 and coniferous windrow to the north of the residential building;
- The scale, form, and massing of the two-storey building on a stone foundation with shallow hipped roof with bracketed eaves and brick chimney;
- The materials, including brick exterior and detailing, sills, and wooden bracketed eaves;
- On the front (northeast) elevation:
 - The segmentally arched former door opening, with round-arched window opening adjacent to the door opening at the first storey;
 - The presence of a one-storey covered wooden porch over the former entrance;
 - At the second storey, segmentally arched window openings with brick hood moulds;
- On the side (southeast) elevation:
 - The presence of a one-storey covered porch along the side elevation;
 - Segmentally arched door openings with glass transoms and window openings at the first and second storeys with brick hood moulds;
 - Towards the rear of the elevation, round-arched double window openings with brick hood moulds and sills;
- On the rear (southwest) elevation:
 - Segmentally arched window openings with brick hood moulds at the first and second storeys; and,
- On the side (northwest) elevation:
 - Segmentally arched window openings with brick voussoirs at the first and second storeys.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 9094 Regional Road 25 that contribute to its historical and associative value include:

- The legibility of the existing property as a late-nineteenth century residential building within a historical agricultural setting along Regional Road 25.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 9094 Regional Road 25 that contribute to its contextual value include:

- The legibility of the existing property as a late-nineteenth century residential building within a historical agricultural setting along Regional Road 25 with tree-lined drive extending to the existing residential building and coniferous windrow to the north of the residential building;
- The setback, location, and orientation of the existing L-shaped residential building known as Chisholm House along Regional Road 25 in the former Scotch Block within the Town of Halton Hills; and,
- The scale, form, and massing of the two-storey building on a stone foundation with shallow hipped roof with bracketed eaves and brick chimney.