

BY-LAW NO. 2025-0031

A By-law to designate the McCallum House, located at 9296 Dublin Line 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 9296 Dublin Line Town of Halton Hills, Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as the McCallum 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 McCallum House, at 9296 Dublin Line, 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 March 3, 2025, Council for the Town of Halton Hills approved Report No. PD-2025-005, dated February 7, 2025, 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 McCallum House located at 9296 Dublin Line, 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 14th day of April, 2025.

MAYOR – ANN LAWLOR

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 2025-0031 LEGAL DESCRIPTION

PT LT 7, CON 1 ESQ, AS IN 290299, EXCEPT PART 1, 20R9517; T/W 255316; S/T DEBTS, IF ANY, IN 247076; HALTON HILLS/ESQUESING

PIN: 249780025

SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW NO. 2025-0031

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

Description of Property

The subject property is located along the southwest side of Dublin Line in the community of Scotch Block within the Town of Halton Hills. The property contains a one-and-a-half-storey stone farmhouse in the Georgian Revival architectural style, and is legally described as "PT LT 7, CON 1 ESQ, AS IN 290299, EXCEPT PART 1, 20R9517; T/W 255316; HALTON HILLS/ESQUESING".

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The McCallum House at 9296 Dublin Line has physical and design value as an early example of a stone Georgian farmhouse in the historic community of Scotch Block within the Town of Halton Hills. The one-and-a-half storey pre-confederation farmhouse features a cut ashlar stone façade, rectangular form, and end-gable roof. Typical to the Georgian architectural style, the front façade features a five-bay primary elevation, with a central entrance flanked by shallow sidelights and a transom, surrounded by a stone sill and lintel. Throughout the exterior are flatheaded window openings with stone lintels and sills, with few remaining wood shutters. On all elevations, painted wooden dentil detailing can be found beneath the eaves. Two stone chimneys exist directly above the roofline on both side elevations.

The McCallum House at 9296 Dublin Line has historical and associative value due to its 185-year history and association with the McCallum Family. The existing preconfederation c.1860s house was constructed by Duncan McCallum, who was a farmer and cabinet maker in Halton. Originally from Breadalbane, Perthshire, Scotland, Duncan immigrated to Halton in 1833. During his time in the community, Duncan was on the committee overseeing the construction of Boston Presbyterian Church from 1866 to 1869 and was the superintendent during the building process. Duncan's son, Finlay McCallum, and his wife, Catherine McDougall McCallum, inherited the subject property in 1883, where they farmed with their children until Finlay's death in 1908. The property was subsequently transferred to their youngest son, Neil McCallum in 1914. Neil continued to farm the subject property while undertaking various off-season roles, including working for Barnes Investigating Bureau from 1959 to 1963, at local factories in Milton, and as a gateman at Kelso Conservation Area. Neil was also an active member of the Boston Presbyterian Church and served as a Black Knight in the Milton Loyal Orange Lodge. In 1968, ownership of the subject property passed to Neil's son, Finlay Alexander McCallum, and his wife, Nessie Elizabeth Rhoda McCallum, marking the fourth generation of McCallum ownership. They were succeeded by their children-Finlay, Janet (May), and Susan—who became the fifth generation of the McCallum family to own the property.

The McCallum House at 9296 Dublin Line has contextual value as it serves to maintain and support the rural character of the surrounding area in the historic Scotch Block community in the Town of Halton Hills. The existing farmhouse, surrounded by agricultural fields since its settlement in the mid-nineteenth century, is physically, visually, and historically linked to its surroundings. The residence on the subject property shares several defining characteristics with other contemporary rural residences in the region, including scale, form, massing, materials, and architectural style.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 9296 Dublin Line that contribute to its physical and design value include:

- The setback, location, and orientation of the existing c.1860s farmhouse along Dublin Line in the Town of Halton Hills;
- The scale, form, and massing of the one-and-a-half storey Georgian farmhouse with gable roof with wooden soffits and dentils, stone chimneys, and stone foundation;
- The materials, including cut ashlar stone construction, stone lintels and sills, wooden door surround with transom and sidelights, and wooden dentils and soffits

along the roofline;

- On the front (southeast) elevation:
 - The central entrance with wooden transom window and sidelights, and stone lintel and sill:
 - Flatheaded window openings with stone sills and lintels;
- On the side (southwest) elevation:
 - Flatheaded window openings with stone sills and lintels; and,
- On the side (northeast) elevation:
 - Flatheaded window openings with stone sills and lintels.

The identified heritage attribute of the property at 9296 Dublin Line that contributes to its historical and associative value includes:

 The legibility of the existing property as a late-nineteenth-century Georgian residential building along Dublin Line within the community of Scotch Block in the Town of Halton Hills.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 9296 Dublin Line that contribute to its contextual value include:

- The legibility of the existing property as a late-nineteenth-century Georgian residential building along Dublin Line within the community of Scotch Block in the Town of Halton Hills;
- The setback, location, and orientation of the c.1860s McCallum House on the southwest side of Dublin Line in the community of Scotch Block; and,
- The scale, form, and massing of the one-and-a-half storey stone Georgian residential building.