

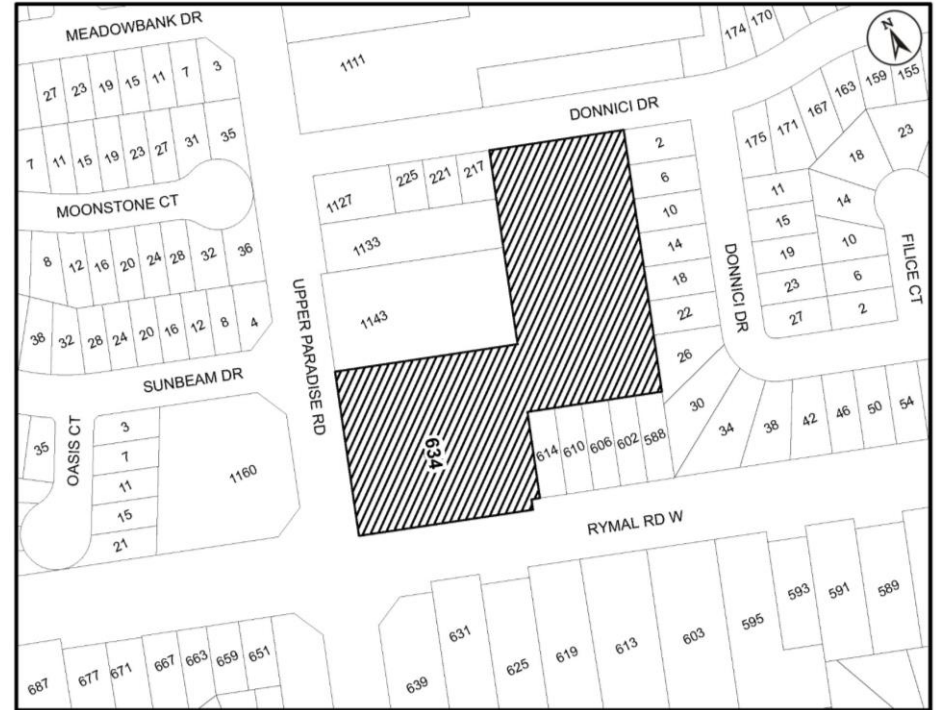


Recommendation To Designate 634 Rymal Road West, Hamilton (Union School Section No.3)

August 19, 2024

Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee

634 Rymal Road West, Hamilton



2013 - Owner Requests Designation, Property listed on Municipal Heritage Register and added to designation workplan.

March 2023 - Prioritized for Designation by January 1st, 2025



Recommendation for Designation Under Part IV of the OHA

634 Rymal Road West, Hamilton

Ontario Regulation 9/06 Criteria (5 of 9)

- Design / Physical (Criteria #1, 2)
- Historical / Associative (Criteria #4)
- Contextual (Criteria #8, 9)



Design / Physical Value

1. The property is a **rare** and **representative example** of a **Tudor Revival** rural schoolhouse.
2. The property displays a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit.
3. The property is not considered to demonstrate a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.

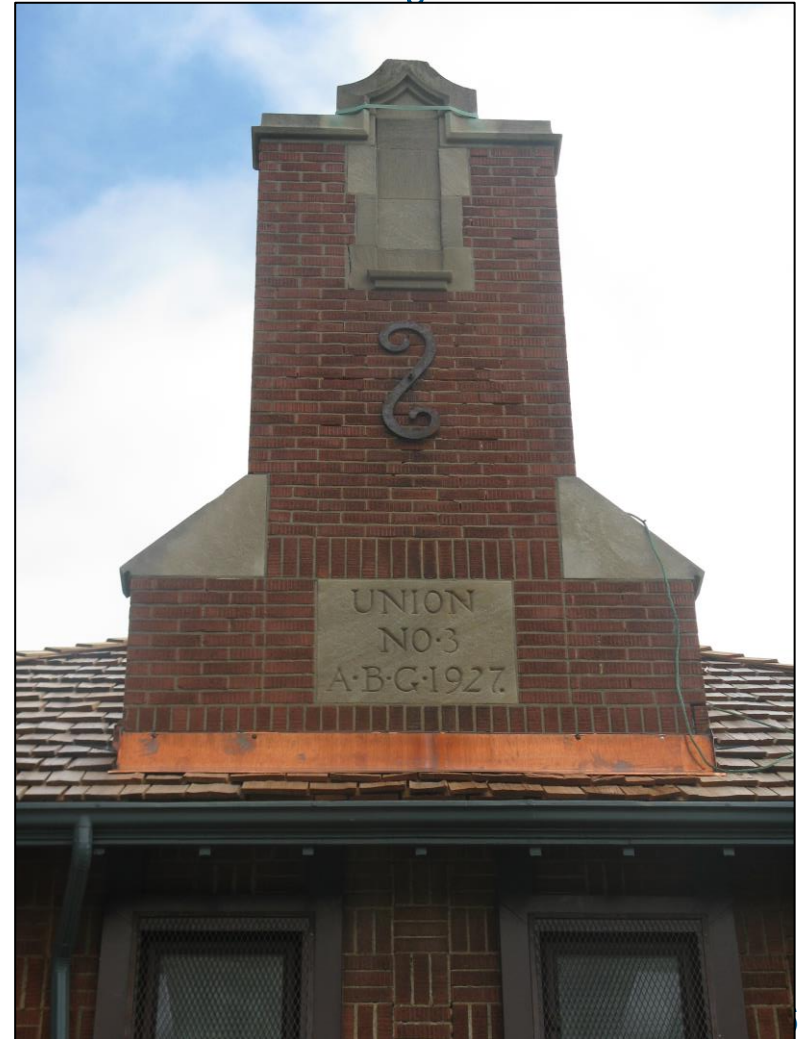


Heritage Evaluation

Ontario Regulation 9/06 Criteria

Historical / Associative Value

4. The property has direct associations with **Union School Section No.3.**
5. The property does not yield or have the potential to yield information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture.
6. The property is not considered to demonstrate the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer or theorist significant to the community



Contextual Value

7. The property does not define, maintain or support the character of the surrounding area.
8. The property is **visually and historically linked to its surroundings.**
9. The property is considered to be a local **landmark.**



Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest (Summary)

The single-storey brick structure at **634 Rymal Road West** was built in 1927. It has design value as a **representative and rare example** of a **rural Ontario schoolhouse** in the **Tudor Revival** style of architecture which displays a **high degree of craftsmanship**.

The property is associated with **Union School Section No. 3**, which provided education to local families in the County of Wentworth as early as 1810.

Contextually, this property is **visually** and **historically** to its surroundings. This large and visually distinctive property on a prominent corner lot is considered to be a local **landmark**.

Description of Heritage Attributes

(Summary)

- All elevations and roofline of the two-storey stone dwelling, 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.

The key contextual attributes 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.

Staff Recommendation

That the City Clerk be directed to give **notice of Council's intention to designate 634 Rymal Road West, Hamilton (Union School Section No. 3)**, shown in Appendix "A" attached to Report PED24123, as a property of cultural heritage value pursuant to the provisions of Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, in accordance with the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and Description of Heritage Attributes, attached as Appendix "B" to Report PED24123, subject to the following:

- (a) If no objections are received to the notice of intention to designate in accordance with the *Ontario Heritage Act*, City Council directs staff to introduce the necessary by-law to designate the property to be of cultural heritage value or interest to City Council;
- (a) If an objection to the notice of intention to designate is received in accordance with the *Ontario Heritage Act*, City Council directs staff to report back to Planning Committee to allow Council to consider the objection and decide whether or not to withdraw the notice of intention to designate the property.



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QUESTIONS?



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