



Recommendation To Designate 2251 Rymal Road East, Stoney Creek (Former Elfrida United Church)

October 25, 2024

Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee

2251 Rymal Road East, Stoney Creek



South Elevation of subject property (Realtor.com, Retrieved February 8, 2024 from <https://www.realtor.ca/real-estate/26054415/2251-rymal-road-e-hamilton>).

2013 - Property listed on Municipal Heritage Register and added to designation workplan.

2015 – Owner submitted request for removal from Municipal Heritage Register. This request was denied.

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



Recommendation for Designation Under Part IV of the OHA

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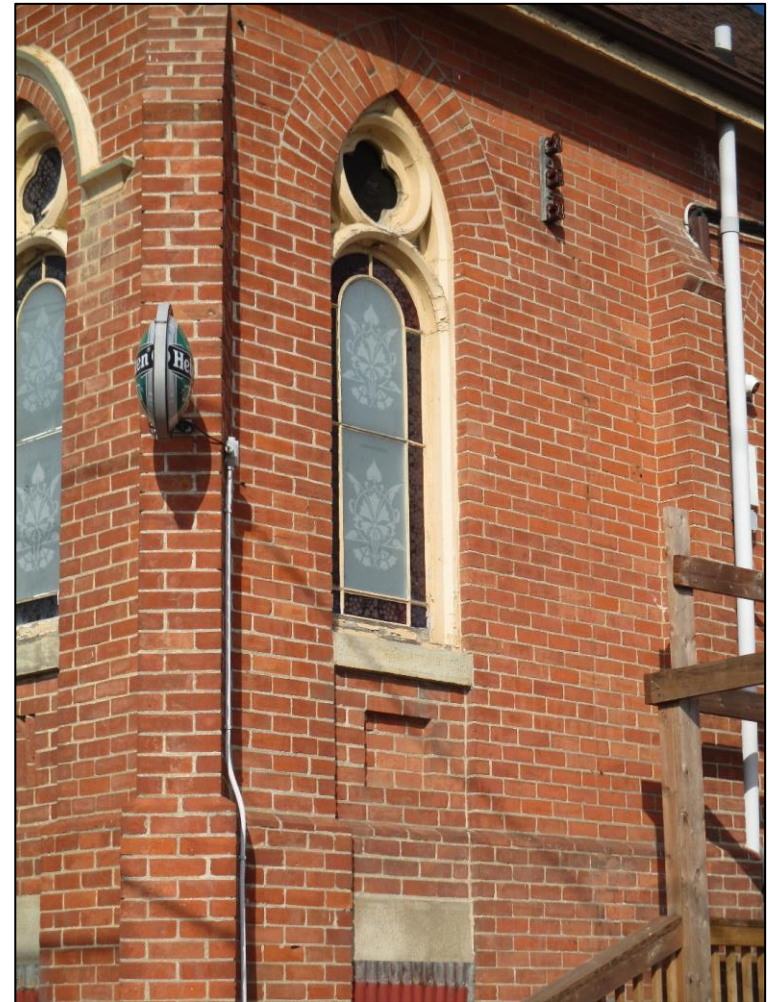
Ontario Regulation 9/06 Criteria (6 of 9)

- Design / Physical (Criteria #1, 2)
- Historical / Associative (Criteria #4)
- Contextual (Criteria #7, 8, 9)



Design / Physical Value

1. The property is a **representative example** of a **Gothic Revival** rural place of worship.
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.



Historical / Associative Value

4. The property has association with the theme of nineteenth-century development in **Saltfleet Township.**
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 defines the **former historic rural character** of the surrounding area.
8. The property is **historically linked to its surroundings**.
9. The property is considered to be a **local landmark**.



Aerial view showing physical context of subject property. (Realtor.com, Retrieved February 8, 2024 from <https://www.realtor.ca/real-estate/26054415/2251-rymal-road-e-hamilton>)

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest (Summary)

The single-storey brick structure at **2251 Rymal Road East** was built in 1881. It has design value as a **representative example** of a **rural place of worship** in the **Gothic Revival** style of architecture which displays a **high degree of craftsmanship**.

The property was one of the **earliest places of worship** in **Saltfleet Township** and is associated with the **nineteenth-century development of Saltfleet Township**.

Contextually, this property is **important** in **defining** the **former historic rural character** of the area and is **historically linked** to its surroundings. This distinctive and highly visible property is considered to be a local **landmark**.

Description of Heritage Attributes

(Summary)

- All elevations and roofline of the one-storey brick structure, including its:
 - Front gable roof with projecting eaves and brick chimneys ;
 - Decorative wooden brackets and brick detailing;
 - Circular window opening with a rounded stone hood-mould;
 - Date stone on the front elevation reading: “C.M.C. Erected 1858 Rebuilt 1881”;
 - Brick buttresses on the front and side elevations;
 - Lancet windows with wooden quatrefoil tracery and etched stained glass with floral designs in red, green, yellow, and blue, including:
 - Stone hood-moulds in the front elevation; and,
 - Brick voussoirs in the side elevations;
 - Round stone hood-mould over semicircular transom;
 - Decorative brick panels between the first storey and basement window bays;
 - Flat-headed basement windows with stone lintels; and,
 - Stone foundation.

The key contextual attributes include its:

- Location on Rymal Road;
- Shallow setback from the public right-of-way; and,
- Visibility of the property from all directions.

Staff Recommendation

That the City Clerk be directed to give **notice of Council's intention to designate 2251 Rymal Road East, Stoney Creek (Former Elfrida United Church)**, shown in Appendix "A" attached to Report PED24201, 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 PED24201, 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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