

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BRAMPTON

BY-LAW

Number ____ - 2016

To designate the property at 7 English Street, Brampton as being of cultural heritage value or interest pursuant to the *Ontario Heritage Act*

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O. 18, as amended, ("Act") authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest, if the property meets the prescribed criteria and the designation follows the process set out in section 29 of the Act;

AND WHEREAS Council has consulted with the Brampton Heritage Board regarding designation of the property as described in this by-law;

AND WHEREAS a Notice of Intention to Designate has been published and served in accordance with the Act;

AND WHEREAS the Notice of Objection filed by the property owner has been withdrawn;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the City of Brampton HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

- 1. The property at 7 English Street, more particularly described in Schedule "A" to this by-law, is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest pursuant to Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.
- 2. City Council shall cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" to this by-law in the proper Land Registry Office.
- 3. The City Clerk shall cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owners of the property at 7 English Street and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, and cause notice of this by-law to be published on the City's website in accordance with Council's Procedure By-law.
- 4. The short statement of the reason for the designation of the property, including a description of the heritage attributes are set out in Schedule "B" to this by-law.

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD TIME, and PASSED in OPEN COUNCIL, This 14th day of September, 2016.

Approved as to form.

31/08/2016

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Approved as to content.

02/Sep/2016

H. M. [Heather MacDonald] Linda Jeffrey Mayor

Peter Fay, City Clerk

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW 197-2016

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

PT LT 1, PL BR25, AS IN 205375VS; CITY OF BRAMPTON

PIN: 14120-0141 (LT)

SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW 197-2016

Description of Property:

The subject property is municipally known as 7 English Street and legally described in Schedule A of this by-law. It is located on the south side of English Street, west of Main Street North, and contains a two-and-a-half storey dwelling, driveway and parking lot.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

Design/Physical Value:

The cultural heritage value of 7 English Street is related to its design and physical value as a Second Empire style mansion. Inspired by French Renaissance architecture, the Second Empire style experienced a period of popularity in North America between 1865 and 1880. It is distinguished by a mansard roof, a formal and symmetrical facade, decorative window hoods and sills, and iron cresting. The goal of the style was to impress upon visitors the feeling of grandeur and class. Accordingly, the Second Empire style was primarily associated with the estates of wealthier families. The mansard roof and dormers were also important features of all Second Empire dwellings because they allowed more space in the upper storey for servants. They enabled the maximum use of interior attic space without adding additional masonry. Typical Ontario interpretations of Second Empire style incorporated curved or straight mansard roofs, projecting bay windows, and hooded and circular dormers. More intricate details included eaves, decorative brackets, hood moulding over dormer windows.

Built in the early 1870s, the two-and-a-half storey, 14-room brick home at 7 English Street features a mansard roof with multiple arched dormer windows. The brick has a stretcher bond with a header row every six rows. Brackets and a patterned frieze decorate the large cornice. The prominent, central three-storey tower features brackets under the top cornice, and the entrance on the main floor with sidelights, a fan transom, and a large brick label (a projecting moulding by the sides and over the top of an opening) with a keystone. The windows feature similar shaped labels with brick detailing. A one-storey bay window in the front façade has brick detailing below the windows and dentils above.

Historical/Associative Value:

The property at 7 English Street also has historical value as it is associated with significant families and individuals. C. J. Wheelock surveyed Plan BR-25 in 1873. Later that year, John Wesley Beynon and his wife bought all of Lot 1 for \$307. A native of Ontario who arrived in Brampton in 1867, Beynon was a barrister, honoured with the status of King's Counsel. He practiced law in Brampton for many years, but also served as the first Sunday School Superintendent for Grace Methodist Church, Vice-President of the Pease Foundry Company, as director of Buffalo McKinnon Dash, an active temperance movement worker and founding member of the Scott Act Association.

In 1885, the property was sold to William Wilson and then again in 1901 to Sarah Jane Magill, wife of James J. Magill. The Magill family named the home "Gillcrest". After James Magill passed away in 1915, the house was sold to Bertha Algie in 1919 for \$1.00. Bertha Algie was the daughter of Harry Dale and oldest grandchild of Edward Dale. The Dale Estate nurseries played an instrumental role in the development of Brampton, establishing its reputation as "The Flower Town of Canada." Bertha's husband, William Algie, was the son of William W. Algie, owner of Beaver Woolen Mills.

Mr. Algie passed in 1932. In 1945, Edgar Alan Algie bought the property and turned the house into apartments. The Algie family sold the home in 1955.

Contextual Value:

Furthermore, the property has contextual value as it supports and contributes to the historical streetscape of English Street and the character of Downtown Brampton. Oriented towards Main Street, the house now relates to the late 19th century to mid-20th century residential area to the north and west. The large mansion is very prominent along English Street and is visible from Main Street. It is located within close proximity to residences previously owned by the Dale family and close to Downtown Brampton.

Description of the Heritage Attributes of the Property:

The heritage attributes comprise of all facades, architectural detailing, construction materials and associated building techniques, as well as significant landscape elements and important vistas. The detailed heritage attributes/character defining elements include, but are not limited to:

Design/Physical Value:

- Second Empire architectural style
- Two-and-a-half storey brick construction
- Mansard roof
- Arched dormer windows
- · Large cornice with bracket and patterned frieze
- Three-storey, central tower with brackets
- Brick window labels
- One-storey bay window with brick detailing and dentils

Historical/Associative Value:

- Built in the early 1870s
- Built for John Beynon, prominent Brampton lawyer
- Associated with the Magill family
- Associated with the Algie and Dale family of the Dale Estate

Contextual Value:

- Contributes to the character of English Street, Downtown Brampton and the surrounding residential neighbourhood
- Located within close proximity to other previous Dale residences
- Prominent structure along English Street and visible from Main Street