

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH DUMFRIES
BY-LAW NUMBER 3493-24**

**BEING A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE 2 HALL STREET FOR ITS CULTURAL
HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST AND THE DESCRIPTION OF HERITAGE
ATTRIBUTES**

WHEREAS Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O., 1990, C.O. 18*, as amended, authorizes the Council of a municipality to designate property within the municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest and a description of the heritage attributes;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the Township of North Dumfries deems it desirable to designate the 2 Hall Street, Ayr, in the Township of North Dumfries to be of cultural heritage value or interest and a description of the heritage attributes;

AND WHEREAS the Clerk of The Corporation of the Township of North Dumfries has caused Notice of Intention to Designate to be given in accordance with the *Ontario Heritage Act*;


AND WHEREAS no Notice of Objection has been served on the Clerk within the meaning of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH DUMFRIES ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:


1. **THAT** the property located at 2 Hall Street and legally described as PART OF PT LT 7 E/S NORTHUMBERLAND ST & HALL ST PL VILLAGE OF AYR; PART OF PT LT 8 E/S NORTHUMBERLAND ST & N/S HALL ST PL VILLAGE OF AYR; PART 1, PLAN 58R-21297; NORTH DUMFRIES is hereby designated to be of cultural heritage value or interest, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto;
2. **THAT** Schedule "A" attached hereto shall form part of By-law 3493-24;
3. **THAT** Section 33 of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O., 1990, C.O. 18*, as amended, shall only apply to the exterior elevations of the house, not including the rear addition;
4. **THAT** Township Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property with a civic address of 2 Hall Street, North Dumfries, in accordance with the provisions of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, as amended;
5. **THAT** the Clerk is hereby authorized to provide Notice of Passing of this By-law in accordance with the provisions of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, as amended.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 17th DAY OF JUNE, 2024

READ A THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 17th DAY OF JUNE, 2024



Sue Foxton, Mayor



Cynthia Hislop, Acting Clerk

**SCHEDULE “A”
to By-law No. 3493-2024**

STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

2 Hall Street, Township of North Dumfries, Ontario.
PART OF PT LT 7 E/S NORTHUMBERLAND ST & HALL ST PL VILLAGE OF AYR;
PART OF PT LT 8 E/S NORTHUMBERLAND ST & N/S HALL ST PL VILLAGE OF
AYR; PART 1, PLAN 58R-21297; NORTH DUMFRIES

Description

The property located at 2 Hall Street is a residential property north of Hall Street and east of Northumberland Street that contains a one-and-a-half-storey residence. The residence is a circa 1850 vernacular Ontario Cottage style building inhabited by Dr. Charles McGeorge Sr., and later by Charles McGeorge Jr. and his wife Salinda.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value

The property known as 2 Hall Street has cultural heritage value for its design and physical value; historical and associative value; and, contextual value.

The property has design and physical value as one-and-a-half-storey residence built circa 1850 is a representative example of Ontario Cottage architecture. It is a vernacular construction with characteristics of the Ontario Cottage style including its three-bay façade, central door, side gable roof, and returning eaves.

The property has historical and associative value because of its direct associations with Dr. Charles McGeorge Sr. and his eldest son Charles McGeorge Jr. (1851-1927). Dr. Charles McGeorge Sr., (1817-1862) a drugstore owner in Ayr and Reeve of the first Municipal Council elected in North Dumfries following the reorganization of Dumfries Township in 1852. Dr. McGeorge Sr. built the house at 2 Hall Street in the 1850s and passed the property onto his son in 1876. Charles McGeorge Jr. continued the family profession while living at 2 Hall Street with his wife, Salinda née Freeman (1851-1923), and was known as the owner and operator of a drugstore and stationary store on Stanley Street between 1878 and 1901. In addition to his medical work, McGeorge Jr. helped lay out the original boundary line of the village, was a member of Ayr's first Council, and its second Reeve. McGeorge Jr. was remembered as always being at the forefront of any movement which helped advance Ayr.

The property also has contextual value because it is important in defining, maintaining, and supporting the character of the area. The style, scale, massing, and setback of the dwelling at 2 Hall Street is consistent with the character along Northumberland Street and Hall Street. The property is an important component in the surrounding streetscape due to its prominent corner location.

Heritage Attributes

The exterior heritage attributes that express the design, physical and contextual value of 2 Hall Street, lie in the circa 1850 residence and include:

- i) the location, orientation, scale and massing and square plan;
- ii) the one-and-a-half-storey height;
- iii) the three-bay façade;
- iv) the side-gable roof with returning eaves;
- v) the central dormers on the front and rear; and
- vi) the symmetrical composition and location of openings, and their frames and glazing's.