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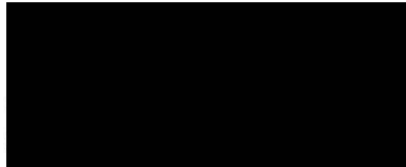
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January 10, 2025



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Attn: 

**Re: Notice of passage of By-law 2024-540 to designate The Sycamore, 178 Cambridge Street North under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act***

Ottawa City Council, at its meeting held on December 11, 2024 passed the following by-law:

2024-540 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to designate The Sycamore, 178 Cambridge Street North to be of cultural heritage value or interest.

Please find enclosed a copy of the by-law, including the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value and Attributes, for the property.

Notice of the passage of By-law 2024-540 will be published online at [ottawa.ca/heritagenotices](https://ottawa.ca/heritagenotices) on January 10, 2025.

Please be advised that any person who wishes to object to the by-law may do so by appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal by giving the Tribunal and the Clerk of the City of Ottawa, within 30 days after the online publication of this notice, a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection.

The notice of appeal can be submitted via email to [CityClerk-HeritageObjections@ottawa.ca](mailto:CityClerk-HeritageObjections@ottawa.ca). The notice of appeal can also be submitted via registered mail or be delivered in person, by appointment, at the following coordinates:

Caitlin Salter MacDonald, City Clerk  
c/o Mélanie Blais, Committee Coordinator  
110 Laurier Avenue West, Ottawa, Ontario K1P 1J1, mail code 01-71

Office of the City Clerk  
City of Ottawa  
110 Laurier Avenue West  
Ottawa, ON K1P 1J1  
[ottawa.ca](https://ottawa.ca)

Direct Line 613-580-2424 Ext. 28136  
[caitlin.salter-macdonald@ottawa.ca](mailto:caitlin.salter-macdonald@ottawa.ca)

Bureau du greffier municipal  
Ville d'Ottawa  
110, ave. Laurier ouest  
Ottawa (Ontario) K1P 1J1  
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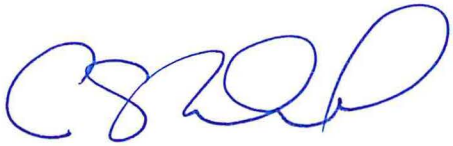
Ligne directe 613-580-2424 poste 28136  
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To make an appointment, please contact Mélanie Blais, Committee Coordinator at 613-580-2424, ext. 27005, or [melanie.blais@ottawa.ca](mailto:melanie.blais@ottawa.ca).

If no appeals are filed, By-law 2024-540 will come into force on February 11, 2025 and be registered on title. A copy of the registered by-law will be served on the Ontario Heritage Trust.

Should you require further information, please contact Sara Wehbi directly at [Sara.Wehbi@ottawa.ca](mailto:Sara.Wehbi@ottawa.ca) or 613-580-2424 x 21589.

Regards,



Caitlin Salter MacDonald  
City Clerk

cc: David Seaborn, owner, ([thesycamore@sympatico.ca](mailto:thesycamore@sympatico.ca))  
Kirsty Walker, Built Heritage Research Coordinator, City of Ottawa (by email to [Kirsty.Walker@ottawa.ca](mailto:Kirsty.Walker@ottawa.ca))  
Sara Wehbi, Heritage Planner, City of Ottawa (by email to [Sara.Wehbi@ottawa.ca](mailto:Sara.Wehbi@ottawa.ca))  
Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust (by email to [registrar@heritagetrust.on.ca](mailto:registrar@heritagetrust.on.ca))

Encl.

BY-LAW NO. 2024 - 540

A by-law of the City of Ottawa to designate The Sycamore, 178 Cambridge Street North to be of cultural heritage value or interest.

WHEREAS the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18, as amended, authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

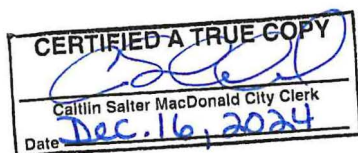
AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Ottawa has caused notice of intention to designate to be served upon the owners of the lands and premises known municipally as 178 Cambridge Street North (more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto), and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, the said notice being published online on Ottawa.ca on October 16, 2024, as permitted by by-law 2002-522 as amended;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the said proposed designation was served upon the Clerk of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and Description of Heritage Attributes reasons for designation are set out as Schedule "B" hereto;

THEREFORE the Council of the City of Ottawa, enacts as follows:

1. The real property known municipally as 178 Cambridge Street North, and more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto, is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest.
2. The Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and Description of Heritage Attributes are set out as Schedule "B" hereto.
3. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper Land Registry office.
4. The City Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served upon the owners of the property described in Schedule "A", and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, and to cause notice of this By-law to be published online on Ottawa.ca as permitted by by-law 2002-522 as amended.
5. The schedules attached hereto and marked Schedule "A" and Schedule "B" form part of this By-law, and all notations, references and other information contained therein shall be as much a part of this By-law as if all the matters and information set forth by the said Schedules were all fully described herein.



ENACTED AND PASSED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024.

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CITY CLERK

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MAYOR

## SCHEDULE "A"

DESCRIPTION	P.I.N.
Part of Lot 106, Plan 3459, as in NS140156; Ottawa/Nepean	04109 - 0037 (LT)



## SCHEDULE "B"

### **Statement of Cultural Heritage Value for The Sycamore, 178 Cambridge Street North**

#### **DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY**

178 Cambridge Street North, known as The Sycamore, is a detached two-and-a-half storey brick-veneered Queen Anne Revival building in the Dalhousie neighbourhood in Somerset Ward. The property is located on the west side of Cambridge Street North, between Somerset Street West and Christie Street. The existing house is estimated to have been constructed between 1899 and 1901, when it replaced an earlier wood house from the 1870s.

#### **STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST**

178 Cambridge Street North has design and physical value as a representative example of the Queen Anne Revival architectural style. Queen Anne Revival was a prominent residential architectural style during the Victorian period from the 1870s to the 1910s which was rooted in a rekindled interest in the vernacular architecture of the medieval and Elizabethan periods. Queen Anne Revival homes are "busy" and ornate, with lots of complexity in detail. They typically feature asymmetrical facades, multiple construction materials, decorative ornamentation, and turrets. The Queen Anne Revival style is exemplified in the house at 178 Cambridge Street North by its multiple construction materials, irregular massing, turret, and decorative ornamentation.

178 Cambridge Street North has design and physical value as it displays a high degree of craftsmanship. This is demonstrated in the detailed architectural ornamentation including a turret, carved wood front door, and carved wood crest on the facade.

178 Cambridge Street North has contextual value as it supports the mixed architectural character of the area west of Bronson Avenue, which is defined by buildings constructed before and after the Great Fire of 1900. While the house was not damaged by the fire as the fire did not reach Cambridge Street North, the replacement of the original modest wood house with a more substantial and contemporary Queen Anne Revival house during this time coincided with the reconstruction of several lost buildings in the area, situating the property in the context of a neighbourhood in transition. There is a prevalence of Victorian and Edwardian era houses in this area from the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries built in vernacular or revival styles with varying degrees of decorative detail, including front-gable houses, flat roofed houses, worker's cottages, and row housing, which together create a mixed residential streetscape.

178 Cambridge Street North has contextual value because it is physically and historically linked to its location in the Dalhousie neighbourhood. The property shares a history with the surrounding properties on Cambridge Street North, which together formed the old Sherwood Estate until the lands were divided into smaller lots and sold for development

by Hon. George Sherwood. Sherwood's land auctions in the 1860s and 1870s sparked a wave of development, with most lots sold to players in the local lumber industry. Lumbeyards and railyards first defined the area, which grew in the late 19<sup>th</sup> to early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries with an influx of labourers and tradespeople working in industrial areas around LeBreton Flats. The property's proximity to Somerset Street and its walkable distance to the industrial activity at LeBreton Flats would have made its location attractive to workers seeking local employment opportunities. Like many properties in the Dalhousie neighbourhood, the early history of 178 Cambridge Street North is associated with builders and contractors. The original wood house was home to several labourers and tradespeople, including Herman Hayner, who built the existing Queen Anne Revival house on the property. Hayner was a contractor who built houses locally and was a founding member of the Carpenters' Union, which met one block west from the property on the corner of Somerset and Arthur Streets.

## **DESCRIPTION OF HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES**

Key exterior attributes that contribute to the heritage value of 178 Cambridge Street North as a representative example of a Queen Anne Revival building include:

- Two-and-a-half storey rectangular massing with red brick cladding on the first storey and stucco on the second storey.
- A front gable with two side gables on north façade.
- Octagonal turret on the south façade.
- Front porch with pediment, double classical-styled columns, and cedar shingle skirting.
- Front gable end with scalloped shingles and a fan-shaped motif.
- Dentilled wood cornice above the second storey.
- Cedar shingle skirting between first and second storey.
- Crest on the front façade on the second storey with an oak leaf spray and acorn design inscribed with "The Sycamore."
- Wood front door with a circular window insert carved with a wreath, torches, and a flower motif.
- Undulating brick stringcourse above the first storey windows.
- Window openings, mostly rectangular, with flat brick voussoirs and stone sills on first storey.
- Leaded and coloured glass windows on first and third storey.
- Circular windows in gable ends on north façade.
- Stone foundation.

The interior of the building and any additions or outbuildings are excluded in this designation.



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Enacted by City Council at its meeting of  
December 11, 2024.

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COUNCIL AUTHORITY:  
City Council October 16, 2024  
Agenda Item 12.3  
(Built Heritage Committee Report No. 18)