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Report No. ACS2025-PDB-RHU-0015

August 6, 2025



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Ontario Heritage Trust

Dear Property Owner,

Re: Notice of passage of By-law 2025-281 to designate 43 Eccles Street under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*

Ottawa City Council, at its meeting held on July 23, 2025, passed the following by-law:

2025-281 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to designate 43 Eccles Street 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 2025-281 will be published online at Ottawa.ca/heritagenotices on August 6, 2025, pursuant to By-law 2002-522 as amended.

APPEAL TO ONTARIO LAND TRIBUNAL

Pursuant to subsection 29 (11) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, any person who objects to the by-law may appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal with respect to the by-law, by filing with the Clerk of the City of Ottawa, a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection. All appeals must also be accompanied by any fees charged by the Ontario Land Tribunal.

A notice of appeal can be filed <u>either</u> via the **Ontario Land Tribunal e-file service** (first-time users will need to register for a My Ontario Account) at **https://olt.gov.on.ca/e-file-service** by selecting [City of Ottawa] as the Approval Authority <u>or mailed to the City</u> at **110 Laurier Avenue West, Mail Code 01-14, Ottawa, Ontario, K1P 1J1.** Alternatively,

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If no appeals are filed, By-law 2025-281 will come into force on September 8, 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 Sampoorna Bhattacharya, at (613) 580-2424, 21580 or by email at sampoorna.bhattacharya@ottawa.ca.

Regards,

Caitlin Salter MacDonald City Clerk

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Encl.

BY-LAW NO. 2025 - 281

A by-law of the City of Ottawa to designate 43 Eccles Street 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;

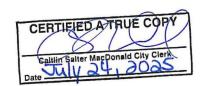
AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Ottawa has caused notice of intention to designate to be served upon the owners of the lands and premises known municipally as 43 Eccles Street (more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto), and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, the said notice being published online on Ottawa.ca on June 11, 2025, 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 43 Eccles Street, 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 Bylaw 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 23rd day of July 2025.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

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SCHEDULE "A"

PIN:

04109-0209 (LT)

Legal Description:

PT LTS 18 & 19, PL 4908 , AS IN N606360 ; OTTAWA/NEPEAN

SCHEDULE "B"

Description of Property

The former Sherwood Exchange at 43 Eccles Street is a two-storey red brick building constructed in 1919. The property is located between Booth Street and Bronson Avenue in the Dalhousie neighbourhood.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Constructed in 1919, the building at 43 Eccles Street is a two-storey red brick building representative of the Edwardian Classicism architectural style. The property has historic value as it was designed by Chief Architect of the Bell Telephone Company of Canada William John Carmichael and visually aligns with the architectural expression of Bell Telephone exchange buildings across Ontario. The flat-roofed building features a red brick façade with dentilled cornice and contrasting stone quoins, keystones, and a carved stone entablature over its entrance. Similar classical features are visible on other exchange buildings designed by Carmichael, who designed almost 100 new buildings for the Bell Telephone Company between 1899 and 1926. As chief architect, he also designed warehouses for the Northern Electric Company and was also in charge of all major alterations, additions and extensions to existing Bell Telephone exchange buildings.

The former Sherwood Exchange has historical value for its direct associations with the Bell Telephone Company and the themes of development of telecommunications in Ottawa and women in the Canadian workforce. Purpose-built in 1919 as the fourth Bell Telephone Company switchboard operated exchange in Ottawa, the former Sherwood Exchange provided telephone services to Ottawa's western suburbs and Hull until the 1940s. The property symbolizes a time of growth, technological advancement, and increased wealth in Ottawa. The former Sherwood Exchange sheds light on the history of women in the Canadian workforce. The Bell Telephone Company was established in 1877 and the first telephone exchange in Canada was built in 1878 in Hamilton, Ontario. By the year 1900, Bell exclusively hired women to work as switchboard operators, a position that demanded a high degree of patience, quick thinking and physical exertion.

The former Sherwood Exchange has contextual value because it is important in defining and maintaining the character of Dalhousie, a mixed neighbourhood that includes many early 20th century red brick buildings in the Edwardian Classicist and Italianate styles. The property has contextual value because it is historically and functionally linked to its surroundings. The former name for the building, the Sherwood Exchange, is linked to the former name of the neighbourhood, Mount Sherwood, which was established in the 1820s and annexed to the City of Ottawa in 1889. The establishment of the Sherwood Exchange in 1919 is linked to the city's growth and development in the early 20th century and the expanding demand for telephone services.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Key exterior attributes that contribute to the heritage value of the former Sherwood Exchange as a representative example of an Edwardian Classicist building include:

- Two-storey massing with raised basement
- Red brick cladding with stone banding and quoins
- Entrance featuring:
 - a stone entablature with carving reading: "The Bell Telephone Company of Canada"
 - Stone pediment supported by volutes
- Evenly spaced window openings, some with stone and brick voussoirs
- · Flat roof with large overhanging dentilled cornice
- Stone foundation

The interior of the building and the addition to the north are excluded in this designation.

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A by-law of the City of Ottawa to designate 43 Eccles Street, to be of cultural heritage value or interest.

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Enacted by City Council at its meeting of July 23, 2025.

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COUNCIL AUTHORITY: City Council May 28, 2025 Agenda Item 11.1 (Built Heritage Committee Report No. 22)