

To: Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee
Meeting Date: 1/15/2026
Report Title: **8 Cameron Street - Recommendation to Designate**
Report Author: Cheyenne Mailloux – Temp. Heritage Planner
Department: Planning and Growth
Division: Policy Planning
Report No.: **26-003 (MHAC)**
File No.: R01.01.191
Ward: Ward 4

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Report 26-003 (MHAC) Recommendation to Designate be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee (MHAC) supports the recommendation to designate the property municipally known as 8 Cameron Street under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Purpose

This report recommends the designation of 8 Cameron Street (as shown on the Location Map, see **Attachment 1**) under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*. The property meets the criteria for designation as it holds cultural heritage value due to its historical, architectural, and contextual significance. The following sections outline the rationale for designation.

Key Findings

- 8 Cameron Street was built in 1869 in Galt. It reflects the overall appearance of Galt during this period as it is an Ontario Cottage built in the Gothic Revival architectural style. The house is featured in several historical maps, including the 1929 Galt Fire Insurance Plan (see **Attachment D**, Figure 1).
- The house was built in 1869 in the Gothic Revival architectural style, as seen in the shape of the floor plan, the shape and peak of the roof, the shape of the windows, and the various details hidden throughout the building. The stone used

to build the house reflect common characteristics of homes built during the mid-19th century in Galt.

- The house contributes heavily to the character of Galt and the architectural history of the area.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

Strategic Action; or

Core Service

Objective(s): Not Applicable

Strategic Action: Not Applicable

Program: Community Development

Core Service: Heritage Conservation

BACKGROUND:

As part of the Province of Ontario’s direction through Bill 23, the *More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022* and Bill 200, the *Homeowner Protection Act, 2024*, the City of Cambridge is undergoing a comprehensive review of its Heritage Register. WSP Canada was retained by the City of Cambridge to complete a review of all non-designated properties listed on the Heritage Register. The objective of the Heritage Register Review process is to survey and assess at a high level, all listed properties, and to identify significant heritage properties that are candidates for designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*, temporary retention of the property on the Register, or removal from the Register.

The property municipally known as 8 Cameron Street, is currently listed on the City’s Heritage Register as a non-designated property of cultural heritage value or interest. The Register uses the description, “Constructed of granite with limestone quoins in the Gothic Revival style. Features include rounded arched attic window, rounded top transom, sidelights and limestone voussoirs,” for the property. It was evaluated by WSP and classified as a “Significant Built Heritage Resource” and recommended for designation (see **Attachment B**). Further evaluation from staff concluded that the property, 8 Cameron Street, would benefit from designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Photographs of the subject property, taken by Heritage Staff on December 16, 2025, from the Public Right of Way and Google Street View can be found in **Attachment E** (Figures 1-4). Historical and archival documentation of the subject property can be found in **Attachment D** (Figures 1-2).

ANALYSIS:

The following is a brief description of the architectural and contextual background of the property located at 8 Cameron Street. A more detailed analysis can be found in the Statement of Cultural Value (see **Attachment C**).

Location and Setting

The property located at 8 Cameron Street is situated in the historic community of Galt, Ward 4. It is located on the western side of Cameron Street, between Bruce Street and Havill Street (**Attachment A**). Cameron Street is a historic residential street in Galt, with a majority of the existing buildings dating back to pre-1950 and several dating back to pre-1900.

The dwelling is visible from Cameron Street and is surrounded by manicured landscapes and several mature trees. The property has a shallow front yard, but a rather large backyard. There are three (3) neighbouring properties: two (2) single-detached dwelling units on either side of 8 Cameron Street and one (1) abutting the rear of the property.

The property is featured in several historical maps. Including the 1929 Galt Fire Insurance Plan (**Attachment D**, Figure 1), confirming the lots development before the turn of the 19th century.

Design and Physical Value

8 Cameron Street is a one-and-a-half storey Ontario Cottage built in the Gothic Revival architectural style. It is distinguished by the L-shaped floor plan, stone foundation, medium pitch front facing gable roof peak, limestone quoins and voussoirs, the shape and style of the windows, transom with sun motif, and stone patterning on exterior.

The property showcases a high degree of craftsmanship through the use of stone on the exterior, limestone quoins and voussoirs, and the segmentally arched windows seen throughout the build.

Contextual Value

8 Cameron Street is located in historic Galt in a residential area with a large concentration of pre-1950 buildings. It helps define and maintain the character of the immediate neighbourhood, as well as the overall historic character of Galt through its architectural style, Ontario Cottage, and the materials used to construct the building.

Evaluation under Ontario Regulation 9/06 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*

Heritage Planning staff are of the opinion that the property warrants designation based on a determination that the property satisfies four (4) of the nine (9) criteria contained in the *Ontario Regulation 9/06* (as amended by 569/22). According to the legislative changes introduced to the *Ontario Heritage Act* through the *More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022*, properties must meet at least two (2) of the nine (9) criteria under Ontario Regulation 9/06 (amended by the 569/22) to be considered for designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

1. The property has design value or physical value because it is a rare, unique, representative, or early example of a style, type, expression, material, or construction method.

YES. 8 Cameron Street displays significant design and physical value because it is representative of an Ontario Cottage built in the Gothic Revival architectural style, that was popularized throughout the latter half of the 19th century. The one-and-a-half-storey single-detached dwelling was built in 1869 in Galt, using materials from local quarries. Notable features are listed in **Attachment C**.

2. The property has design value or physical value because it displays a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit.

YES. 8 Cameron Street displays a high degree of craftsmanship through the use of grey granite on the exterior of the building, stone details seen throughout the build, the rounded and segmentally-arched two-over-two windows, stone voussoirs and quoining, bargeboard, and the transom featuring a sun motif.

3. The property has design value or physical value because it demonstrates a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.

NO. Although the property displays significant built heritage value, 8 Cameron Street does not demonstrate a high degree of technical or scientific achievement to meet this requirement.

4. The property has historical value or associative value because it has direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization, or institution that is significant to a community.

NO. Although 8 Cameron Street displays significant built heritage value, it does not have any direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization, or institution that is significant to the community.

5. The property has historical value or associative value because it yields, or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture.

NO. Although 8 Cameron Street displays significant built heritage value, it does not have any direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization, or institution that is significant to the community.

6. The property has historical value or associative value because it demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer, or theorist who is significant to a community.

NO. While 8 Cameron Street displays significant built heritage value, it does not reflect the work or ideas of a well-known architect, artist, builder, designer, or theorist who is significant to a community. Rather, it showcases a popular style seen in many rural communities throughout Ontario, the Ontario Cottage.

7. The property has contextual value because it is important in defining, maintaining, or supporting the character of an area.

YES. 8 Cameron Street displays significant contextual value through its construction materials, 19th century building practices and craftsmanship – see **Attachment C**.

8. The property has contextual value because it is physically, functionally, visually, or historically linked to its surroundings.

YES. 8 Cameron Street is visually linked to its surroundings. The stone exterior seen on the house is seen throughout the property's immediate neighborhood, specifically at 6 Cameron Street, 71 Bruce Street, and 59 Bruce Street.

9. The property has contextual value because it is a landmark.

NO. 8 Cameron Street is not a recognized or identified landmark.

EXISTING POLICY / BY-LAW(S):

Ontario Heritage Act

Designation by Municipal By-law

29 (1) The council of a municipality may, by-law, designate a property within the municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest if,

(a) where criteria for determining whether property is of cultural heritage value or interest have been prescribed, the property meets the prescribed criteria; and

(b) the designation is made in accordance with the process set out in this section. 2005, c. 6, s. 17 (1); 2019, c. 9, Sched. 11, s. 7 (1); 2022, c. 21, Sched. 6, s. 4 (1).

Notice Required

(1.1) Subject to subsections (1.2) and (2), if the council of a municipality intends to designate a property within the municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest, it shall cause notice of intention to designate the property to be given by the clerk of the municipality in accordance with subsection (3). 2005, c. 6, s. 17 (1); 2019, c. 9, Sched. 11, s. 7 (2).

Consultation

(2) Where the council of a municipality has appointed a municipal heritage committee, the council shall, before giving notice of its intention to designate a property under subsection (1), consult with its municipal heritage committee. R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18, s. 29 (2); 2002, c. 18, Sched. F, s. 2 (9).

Notice of Intention

(3) Notice of intention to designate under subsection (1) shall be,

(a) served on the owner of the property and on the Trust; and

(b) published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality. R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18, s. 29 (3); 2005, c. 6, s. 1.

Contents of Notice

(4) Notice of intention to designate property that is served on the owner of property and on the Trust under clause (3) (a) shall contain,

(a) an adequate description of the property so that it may be readily ascertained;

(b) a statement explaining the cultural heritage value or interest of the property and a description of the heritage attributes of the property; and

(c) a statement that notice of objection to the notice of intention to designate the property may be served on the clerk within 30 days after the date of publication of the notice of intention in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality under clause (3) (b). 2005, c. 6, s. 17 (2); 2019, c. 9, Sched. 11, s. 7 (4).

Same

(4.1) Notice of intention to designate property that is published in a newspaper of general circulation in a municipality under clause (3) (b) shall contain,

(a) an adequate description of the property so that it may be readily ascertained;

- (b) a statement explaining the cultural heritage value or interest of the property;
- (c) a statement that further information respecting the notice of intention to designate the property is available from the municipality; and
- (d) a statement that notice of objection to the notice of intention to designate the property may be served on the clerk within 30 days after the date of publication of the notice of intention in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality under clause (3) (b). 2005, c. 6, s. 17 (2); 2019, c. 9, Sched. 11, s. 7 (5).

City of Cambridge Official Plan

4.6 Designation of Heritage Properties

1. The City will regulate as fully as possible the demolition, removal or inappropriate alteration of buildings of cultural heritage value or interest included in the Register of Cultural Heritage Resources referred to in Section 4.3, and for these purposes, Council may:

- a) pass by-laws pursuant to the *Ontario Heritage Act* to designate properties including such buildings or structures to be of cultural heritage value. Council shall not permit the demolition, removal or inappropriate alteration of such buildings or structures for a period of 90 days following application by the owner of such buildings or structures, or such further period of time as Council and the owner may agree upon, unless Council has repealed the by-law designating such property or part thereof;

2. Council will preserve and protect the cultural heritage resources owned by the City and prepare and follow a maintenance programme for these resources.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no cost to property owners associated with designating a property in Cambridge. The City does provide and pay for a heritage landmark plaque at a cost of approximately \$500. The City also pays to register the bylaw on title to the property, which costs approximately \$82. The property owners will be able to apply for a Designated Heritage Property Grant to support the costs of maintaining the heritage attributes of the property.

PUBLIC VALUE:

Transparency:

The MHAC agenda is posted on the City's website as part of the reporting process.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public.

INTERNAL / EXTERNAL CONSULTATION:

The owner of the property was notified via registered letter on January 5, 2026, regarding the ongoing heritage designation process. At the time of writing this report, it is unknown what the owner's opinion is regarding designation.

CONCLUSION:

Based on the findings that the subject property meets more than (2) two criteria under Ontario Regulation 9/06 needed to designate a property. Heritage staff submit that the property possesses significant cultural heritage value to warrant designation under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*. Therefore, staff recommend that MHAC support the designation of the property and request that Council direct the City Clerk to issue a Notice of Intention to Designate the property located at 8 Cameron Street, in accordance with part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

REPORT IMPACTS:

Agreement: **No**

By-law: **No**

Budget Amendment: **No**

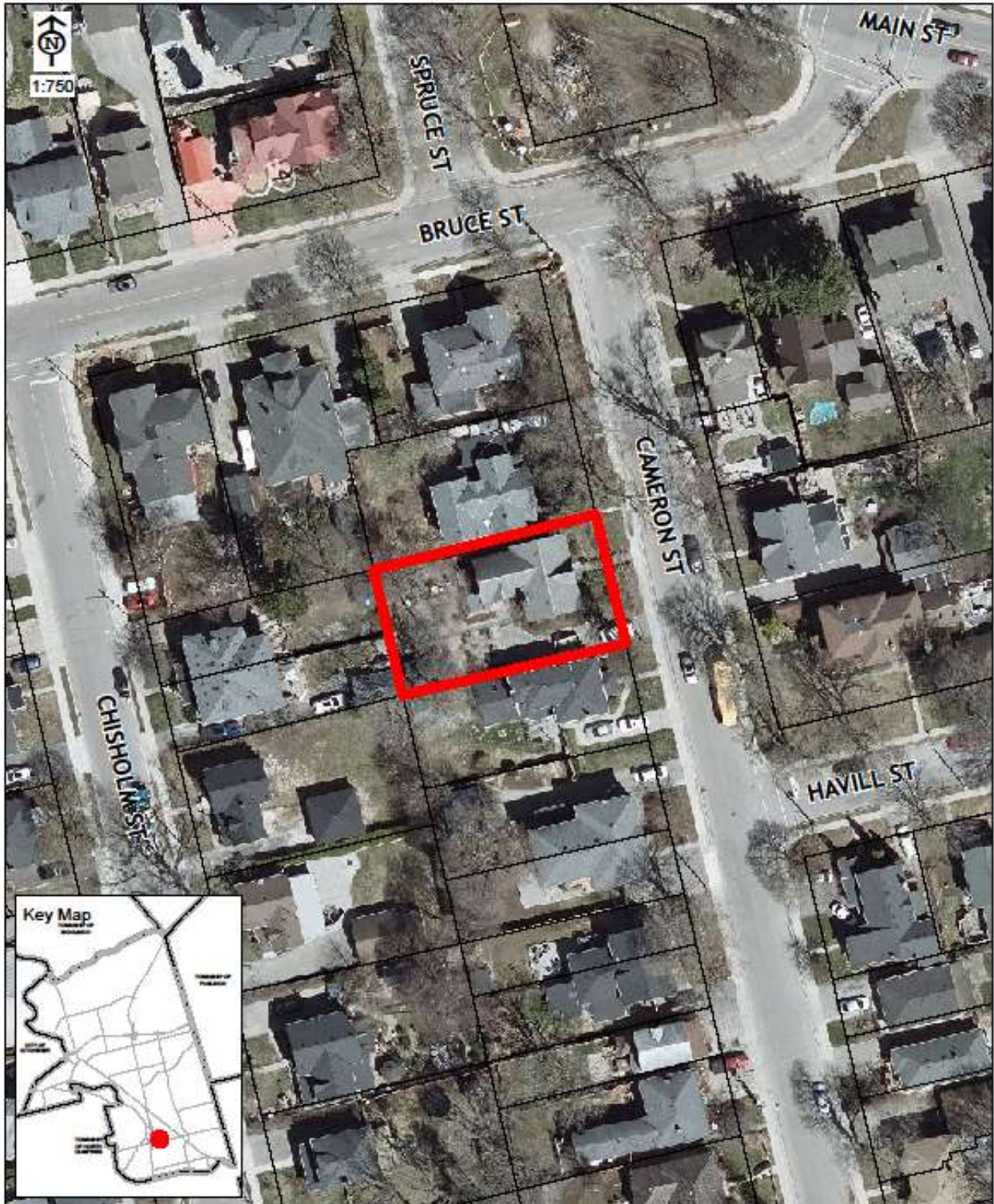
Policy: **No**

APPROVALS:

**This report has been reviewed and approved for inclusion in the agenda by the
Melissa Aldunate, Manager of Policy Planning.**

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 26-003 (MHAC) Attachment A - Location Map
2. 26-003 (MHAC) Attachment B – WSP Assessment
3. 26-003 (MHAC) Attachment C – Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest
4. 26-003 (MHAC) Attachment D – Historical Documentation
5. 26-003 (MHAC) Attachment E – Site Photos
6. 26-003 (MHAC) Attachment F – Draft NOID for 8 Cameron Street



8 CAMERON ST

**CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
LISTED (NON-DESIGNATED) PROPERTY REVIEW FORM**

Address: 8 Cameron Street, Cambridge, Ontario
Common Name: N/A
Ward: Galt
Legal Description: N/A



Plate 1: Front Façade (East Elevation) of 8 Cameron Street

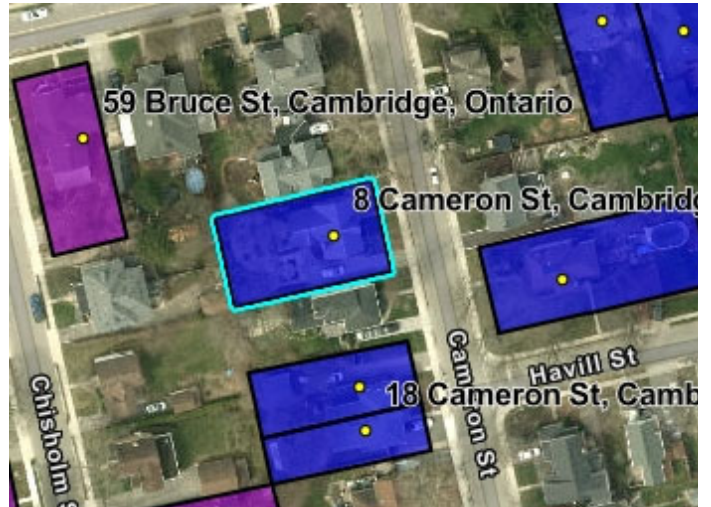


Plate 2: Location of 8 Cameron Street

PROPERTY OBSERVATIONS:

Integrity: Preserved / Intact Modified Compromised Demolished (date): _____

Construction Period: 1820-1850 1851-1875 1876-1900 1901-1945 1946-1975 1976-1999

Year (if known): 1869

Architect / Builder / Craftsperson (if known): N/A

Massing: Single-detached Semi-detached Row Other:

Storeys: 1 1½ 2 2½ 3 3½ 4 or more Irregular Other: _____

Foundation Construction Material: Stone Brick Concrete Wood Other: _____ Finish: _____

Building Construction Material (if known): Brick Frame (wood) Stone Log Other: _____

Building Cladding: Wood Stone Brick Stucco Synthetic Other: _____ Finish: Grey granite

Roof Type: Hip Flat Gambrel Mansard Gable Other: _____ **Type:** End gable

Roof Materials: Asphalt Shingle Wood Shingle Slate Tile/Terra Cotta Tar/Gravel Metal Other: _____

Architectural Style / Influence:

<input type="checkbox"/> Art Deco / Moderne (1910-1950)	<input type="checkbox"/> Classical Revival (1820-1860)	<input type="checkbox"/> International (1920-1950)	<input type="checkbox"/> Neo-Gothic (1900-1945)	<input type="checkbox"/> Regency (1820-1860)
<input type="checkbox"/> Arts and Crafts (1890-1940)	<input type="checkbox"/> Colonial Revival (1900-2003)	<input type="checkbox"/> Italian Villa (1830-1900)	<input type="checkbox"/> Ontario Cottage (1840-1900)	<input type="checkbox"/> Richardson Romanesque (1840-1900)
<input type="checkbox"/> Beaux-Arts (1885-1945)	<input type="checkbox"/> Edwardian (1890-1916)	<input type="checkbox"/> Italianate (1850-1900)	<input type="checkbox"/> Period Revivals (1900-2014)	<input type="checkbox"/> Second Empire (1860-1900)
<input type="checkbox"/> Bungalow (1900-1945)	<input type="checkbox"/> Georgian / Mennonite Georgian (1750-1850)	<input type="checkbox"/> Mid-Century Modern (1945-1965)	<input type="checkbox"/> Post-Modern (1960-2009)	<input type="checkbox"/> Vernacular
<input type="checkbox"/> Chateau (1880-1930)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gothic Revival (1830-1900)	<input type="checkbox"/> Neo-Classical (1810-1850)	<input type="checkbox"/> Queen Anne (1870-1910)	<input type="checkbox"/> Wartime Housing (1940-1960)
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:				

Notes: N/A

Notable Building Features:

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|--|--|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Porch | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sill(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Tower/Spire | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bargeboard | <input type="checkbox"/> Eaves |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Verandah | <input type="checkbox"/> Lintel(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Dome | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transom | <input type="checkbox"/> Balustrade |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Balcony | <input type="checkbox"/> Shutters | <input type="checkbox"/> Finial | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Side Light | <input type="checkbox"/> Dormer |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Door(s) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quoins | <input type="checkbox"/> Pilaster | <input type="checkbox"/> Pediment | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chimney |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stairs | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Voussoir | <input type="checkbox"/> Capital | <input type="checkbox"/> Brackets | <input type="checkbox"/> Parapet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire wall | <input type="checkbox"/> Cornice | <input type="checkbox"/> Panel | <input type="checkbox"/> Date Stone | <input type="checkbox"/> Bay |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Window Details: two-over-two, segmentally and rounded arch | <input type="checkbox"/> Column | <input type="checkbox"/> Cresting | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Sun motif in transom | |

Notes: N/A

Context:

- Streetscape (Residential / Commercial) Terrace / Row Complex / Grouping Landmark
- Multi-Address Parcel (list addresses): Other:
- Related Buildings:

Plan: Square Rectangular L U T H Cross Irregular Other: _____

Wings: Rear **Setback:** Shallow Deep At ROW **Other:** _____ Corner Lot

Accessory Features and Structures:

- Features (i.e., stone wall, fountain, trees/garden beds):
- Ivy growing along the front facade of the residence
 - Garden beds lining the front of the residence
 - Stone pathway leading to the front entrance
 - Garden beds throughout the property
- Structures (i.e., shed, ice house, drive shed):
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- Young tree at the front of the property
- Brick driveway on the south side
- Mature trees at the rear of the property

ADDITIONAL NOTES, DOCUMENTATION AND RESEARCH:

- N/A

Further Historical Value/ Associative Value Research/Evaluation:

Recommended Not Recommended

- Complete additional research to verify if there are any significant historical associations for this property. None identified to date.

Related Planning, Building or Heritage Files:

- N/A

OBSERVATION FORM COMPLETION:

Surveyed By:	Meghan McKay, Junior Cultural Heritage Specialist	Date:	03/18/2025
Reviewed By:	Kanika Kaushal, Senior Cultural Heritage Specialist	Date:	05/15/2025

PRELIMINARY EVALUATION

For properties to be considered *Significant Built Resources* and prioritized for inclusion in the designation work plan, they must meet, at minimum, **two** of nine O. Reg. 9/06 criteria (as amended by O. Reg. 569/22).

For properties to be considered *Character-Supporting Resources* and to be retained on the Heritage Register, they must meet, at minimum, **one** O. Reg. 9/06 criteria.

Yes/No	O. Reg. 9/06 Criteria	Discussion
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1. The property's style, type, expression, material or construction method is: <input type="checkbox"/> rare <input type="checkbox"/> unique <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> representative <input type="checkbox"/> early	The property located at 8 Cameron Street contains a one-and-a-half storey grey granite gothic revival residence built in 1869. Notable architectural features include the L-shape plan, shallow set back, end gable roof, central gable peak, chimney, gray granite exterior, limestone quoining, decorative bargeboard, stone voussoirs, rounded and segmentally arched two-over-two windows, sills, sun motif transom, sidelights, doorway porch and stone foundation.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. The property displays a high degree of: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> craftsmanship <input type="checkbox"/> artistic merit	The property contains a high degree of craftsmanship shown in the stone voussoirs and quoins, sun motif transom and decorative bargeboard.
<input type="checkbox"/>	3. The property demonstrates a high degree of: <input type="checkbox"/> technical <input type="checkbox"/> scientific achievement.	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	4. The property has direct associations with a potentially significant: <input type="checkbox"/> theme <input type="checkbox"/> event <input type="checkbox"/> belief <input type="checkbox"/> person <input type="checkbox"/> activity <input type="checkbox"/> organization <input type="checkbox"/> institution	The 1861 Tremaine Waterloo County Map identifies the subject lands under ownership of Andrew Elliot (1861 Tremaine Waterloo County Map) who was a prominent landowner, distillery owner, and the first reeve of the incorporated Village of Galt. No direct associative link between A.Elliot and the subject property has been demonstrated.
<input type="checkbox"/>	5. The property yields, or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture.	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	6. The property demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of a potentially significant: <input type="checkbox"/> architect <input type="checkbox"/> artist <input type="checkbox"/> builder <input type="checkbox"/> designer <input type="checkbox"/> theorist	N/A
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7. The property is important in: <input type="checkbox"/> defining <input type="checkbox"/> maintaining <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> supporting the character of an area.	The property is important in supporting the historical character of the area through its construction materials and gothic revival architecture.
<input type="checkbox"/>	8. The property is linked to its surroundings: <input type="checkbox"/> physically <input type="checkbox"/> functionally <input type="checkbox"/> visually <input type="checkbox"/> historically	N/A

Yes/No	O. Reg. 9/06 Criteria	Discussion
<input type="checkbox"/>	9. The property is a landmark.	N/A

Classification:

- Significant Built Heritage Resource
 Character Supporting Resource
 Not a Heritage Resource

Draft Statement of Cultural Heritage Value:

Description of the Property:	The property located at 8 Cameron Street contains a one-and-a-half storey grey granite gothic revival residence built in 1869. The property also includes ivy growing up the front of the residence, garden beds lining the front of the residence, a brick pathway leading to the front entrance, a garden beds throughout the property, a young tree at the front of the property, a brick driveway on the south side and mature trees at the rear of the property.
Statement of Cultural Heritage Value:	<p>The property located at 8 Cameron Street contains a one-and-a-half storey grey granite gothic revival residence built in 1869. Notable architectural features include the L-shape plan, shallow set back, end gable roof, central gable peak, chimney, gray granite exterior, stone quoining, decorative bargeboard, stone voussoirs, rounded and segmentally arched two-over-two windows, sills, sun motif transom, sidelights, doorway porch and stone foundation. The property contains a high degree of craftsmanship shown in the stone voussoirs and quoins, sun motif transom and decorative bargeboard.</p> <p>The 1861 Tremaine Waterloo County Map identifies the subject lands under ownership of Andrew Elliot (1861 Tremaine Waterloo County Map) who was a prominent landowner, distillery owner, and the first reeve of the incorporated Village of Galt.</p> <p>No direct associative link between A.Elliot and the subject property has been demonstrated.</p> <p>The property is important in supporting the historical character of the area through its construction materials and gothic revival architecture.</p>
Heritage Attributes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One-and-a-half storey grey granite Gothic Revival residence (built in 1869) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One-and-a-half storey massing ○ L-shape plan ○ shallow set back ○ end gable roof ○ central gable peak ○ chimney ○ gray granite exterior ○ stone quoining ○ decorative bargeboard ○ stone voussoirs ○ rounded and segmentally arched two-over-two windows ○ sills ○ sun motif transom

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ sidelights ○ doorway porch ○ stone foundation
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CRITERIA OF RISK OR VALUE:

Properties that meet many of the following risk criteria may be prioritized for inclusion in the designation work plan:

- Known to possess significant CHVI (i.e., rare, unique, important historic associations, landmark)
- Located along a corridor planned for intensification
- Located in a proposed Stage 2 ION Station Are
- Located in a Secondary Plan Area or area aligned with other City initiatives or studies
- The site of a proposed development or threatened with demolition
- Located in an area experiencing development pressure or with a trend of high heritage loss (i.e., high number of development and building permit applications received)
- Located in an area with a concentration of pre-1950 buildings
- Located in a remaining settlement area (i.e., distinct place with unique identities)
- Located on a rural landscape or other cultural heritage landscape (i.e., does the property contain a barn?)

RECOMMENDATION:

- Add to Designation Work Plan
- Consider designation as part of an HCD (Part V Designation)
- Retain on Heritage Register (until 2027) and add to non-status inventory
- Remove from Heritage Register

NOTES:

- Part of the East Galt Heritage Cultural Heritage Study area.

EVALUATION FORM COMPLETION:

Surveyed By:	Meghan McKay, Junior Cultural Heritage Specialist	Date:	05/05/2025
Reviewed By:	Kanika Kaushal, Senior Cultural Heritage Specialist	Date:	05/15/2025
City Staff Reviewer:	Laura Waldie, Senior Planner – Heritage	Date:	26May2025
Council Decision:		Date:	
City Database Update:		Date:	

SUPPORTIVE DOCUMENTATION:

- N/A

ATTACHMENT C

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and Description of Heritage Attributes

8 Cameron Street, Cambridge

Legal Description

PLAN 441 LOT 47

Description of Historic Place

The property at 8 Cameron Street is located in Ward 4 on the west side of Cameron Street, between Bruce Street and Havill Street in historic Galt. The property contains a one-and-a-half-storey stone residence, built in the Ontario Cottage architectural style in 1869.

Design and Physical Value

8 Cameron Street consists of a one-and-a-half storey Ontario Cottage built in the Gothic Revival architectural style, with an L-shaped floor plan, stone foundation, medium pitch front facing gable roof peak, limestone quoins and voussoirs, the shape and style of the windows, transom with sun motif, and stone patterning on exterior.

The property showcases a high degree of craftsmanship through the use of stone on the exterior, limestone quoins and voussoirs, and the segmentally arched two-over-two windows seen throughout the build. The property showcases a high degree of craftsmanship, best seen in its stone quoining, stone patterning, and the various details seen throughout the build. Through the study of the methods used during the construction of the house, a better understanding of the techniques used in the past can contribute to the understanding of historic building practices and craftsmanship of the late-19th century.

The property contains several large mature trees near the rear of the property and manicured garden beds.

Summary of Cultural Heritage Value

The property at 8 Cameron Street exhibits physical/design value and contextual value.

8 Cameron Street is considered a representative example of a house built in the Ontario Cottage architectural style. The building is architecturally distinguished by the L-shaped floor plan with symmetrical appearance, stone chimney, bargeboard, the shape and style of the windows, transom with sun motif, sidelights and doorway porch, and gray granite stone patterning on exterior.

ATTACHMENT C

8 Cameron Street is located in the middle of historic Galt, in a residential area with a large concentration of pre-1950 buildings. It helps define and maintain the character of the immediate neighbourhood, as well as the overall historic character of Galt through its architectural style, the Ontario Cottage, the materials used to construct the building, and the mature landscape that is featured on the property.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The character-defining heritage attributes of 8 Cameron Street include the following:

- The one-and-a-half-storey, stone Ontario Cottage built in the Gothic Revival architectural style (built in 1869)
 - Mass, form, and style of the building;
 - L-shaped floor plan;
 - Shallow setback;
 - Medium pitch front facing gable roof;
 - Stone exterior;
 - Stone voussoirs;
 - Stone quoins;
 - Wooden door;
 - Two-over-two segmentally arched windows;
 - Details sills;
 - Side light windows;
 - Transom with sun motif;
 - Bargeboard;
 - Stone chimney; and
 - Stone foundation

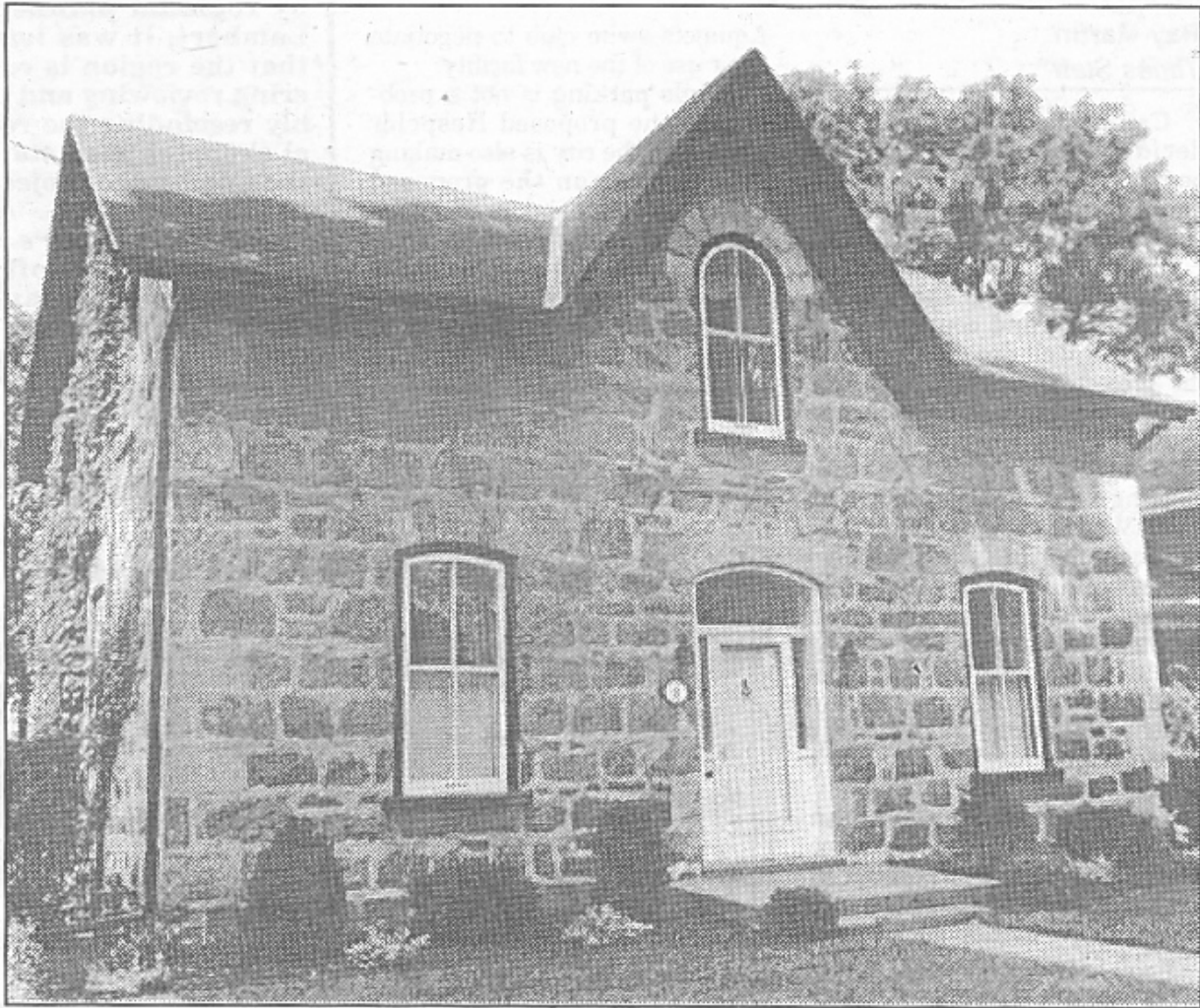
These features contribute to the cultural heritage value of the property by reflecting physical/design value in the house's original layout, original building material, and historic architectural and design features. The assemblage of these architectural elements forms a representative example of the Ontario Cottage architectural style and the craftsmanship of the mid-19th century.

The property's heritage designation does not extend to any interior features.



Figure 1 – 1929 Galt Fire Insurance Map

8 Cameron Street



CAMB. TIMES SEPT. 10/94

Address: 8 Cameron St.**Owners:** Don Davidson

Significance: Built in 1869, this picturesque two-storey stone home is known as the Sprague House. The home is built of granite and is accented with limestone quoins and voussoirs. There is a rounded gable window above the front door which is crowned by a nine-stoned limestone voussoir. The main entrance has a paneled wooden door framed with etched glass sidelight windows and a segmentally arched fanlight.

The home has not been designated, but is considered significant based on its architectural merits.

Figure 2 – Cambridge Times Landmarks Article, September 10, 1994



Figure 1 – 8 Cameron Street via Google Street View September 2022



Figure 2 – Picture of the front of 8 Cameron Street taken from the public right of way on December 16, 2025



Figure 3 - Picture of the front of 8 Cameron Street taken from the public right of way on December 16, 2025



Figure 4 – Close up of the detailed finial on 8 Cameron Street taken from the public right of way on December 16, 2025

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER O.18

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8 CAMERON STREET, CITY OF CAMBRIDGE, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge intends to designate the property municipally known as 8 Cameron Street under Section 29, Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest.

Description of Property

The property at 8 Cameron Street is located on the west side of Cameron Street, between Bruce Street and Havill Street, in the historic Galt area. The subject property is legally described as PLAN 441 LOT 47. It contains a one-and-a-half-storey Ontario Cottage style residence, that was built in 1869.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The property is of cultural heritage value for its design and contextual significance. Built in 1869, the building is a strong representative example of residence built in the Ontario Cottage architectural style. Its L-shaped floor plan, stone foundation, medium pitch front facing gable roof peak, limestone quoins and voussoirs, the shape and style of the windows, transom with sun motif, and stone patterning on exterior are all distinguishable features of the Ontario Cottage.

Contextually, the property defines and maintains the historic residential area of Galt, through its architectural value, building materials, and landscaping. It is located in an area with a large concentration of pre-1950 buildings.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The following attributes contribute to the property's cultural heritage value:

Building Attributes

- The one-and-a-half-storey, stone Ontario Cottage built in the Gothic Revival architectural style (built in 1869)
 - Mass, form, and style of the building;
 - L-shaped floor plan;
 - Shallow setback;
 - Medium pitch front facing gable roof;
 - Stone exterior cladding;
 - Stone voussoirs and quoins;

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- Wooden door with sidelights and transom with sun motif;
- Two-over-two segmentally arched windows with detailed sills;
- Bargeboard;
- Stone chimney; and
- Stone foundation

Objection

Any person may, within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice, serve on the City Clerk of the City of Cambridge a Notice of Objection to the proposed designation. The notice must set out the reason(s) for the objection and all relevant facts.

Notice of Objection should be addressed to:

City Clerk, The Corporation of the City of Cambridge

50 Dickson Street

P.O. Box 669, Cambridge, Ontario N1R 5W8

Email: clerks@cambridge.ca

Further information regarding the proposed designation may be obtained from the Policy Planning Division (Heritage Planning) at heritageinfo@cambridge.ca.