

John Henry Walker Jr. House, 496 Walker's Line, City of Burlington

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Identification

Historic Place Name	John Henry Walker Jr. House		
Other Names	#	Type:	Name:
	1	Other	n/a

Recognition

Authority:	Local Government (ON)
Recognition Type:	Municipal Heritage Designation Part IV
Recognition Date:	1992-11-23

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Location

Location

Building Number:	496
Street Name:	Walker's Line
Postal Code:	L7N 2E2
Locality:	n/a
Community:	City of Burlington
Upper Tier:	Regional Municipality of Halton

Coordinates

UTM		Latitude/Longitude	
Determination:	n/a	Determination:	Geocoding
Datum:	n/a	Datum:	NAD83
Zone:	n/a	Latitude:	43.353269
Northing:	n/a	Longitude:	-79.770246
Easting:	n/a		
Borden #:	n/a	Borden #:	n/a

Boundaries

Boundary Description:	Part Lot 11 Concession 2 SDS, City of Burlington.
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Map



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Description

Statement of Significance

Description of Historic Place: i.e. Description of Property	<p>The John Henry Walker Jr. House at 496 Walker's Line is located on the west side of Walker's Line, north of New Street in the City of Burlington. The property consists of two-and-a-half storey red-brick house built circa 1913.</p> <p>The property was designated under the <i>Ontario Heritage Act</i> in 1992 by the City of Burlington under By-law 137-1992.</p>
Heritage Value: i.e. Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest	<p><i>Historical or Associative Value:</i></p> <p>The John Henry Walker Jr. House is significant due to its association with the Walker Family, early Burlington settlers and farmers. William Walker immigrated from North Carolina as a United Empire Loyalist in 1796 and settle in Grimsby. His son Phillip Walker moved to Nelson Township (now Burlington) in 1816 and began farming. The current house was built circa 1913 for John Henry Walker Jr. and his wife Beatrice. The house was constructed on the Walker's traditional farm land that was owned by the family since 1816. John and Beatrice were the fourth generation to inherit a portion of the farm. John Henry Walker Jr. had three brothers, William who lived in the original farmstead (now demolished) and Hiram and Henry Walker, who's homes on New Street still stand on additional land purchased by the family. It is believed that the John Henry Walker Jr. House is the only remaining Walker house on the original farmland.</p> <p><i>Design or Physical Value:</i></p> <p>The John Henry Walker Jr. House is a good example of late Queen Anne architecture, built in the Edwardian era. Typical of the Queen Anne style, it features a varied roofline and asymmetrical façade. The façade and south elevation both feature gables with wood-shingle decoration, neo-Palladian windows and wood dentils along the cornice. Between the two projecting frontispieces is a wrap around porch with two entrance doors, wood columns atop brick pilasters and dentil detailing along the cornice. The semicircular and segmentally arched windows found throughout the building are elaborate. They are decorated with hood moulds over brick voussoirs with stone keystones and stone lintels.</p> <p><i>Contextual Value:</i></p> <p>The John Henry Walker Jr. House is physically linked to its surroundings. It is a reminder of the once extensive Walker Family Farm. The house is located on Walker's Line, named after the family's farm, and close to Elwood Road, named after John and Beatrice's son Elwood.</p> <p><i>Sources:</i></p> <p>By-law 137-1992, City of Burlington 496 Walker's Line Supplementary Designation Information (1992) by J. Irwin 496 Walker's Line Designation Report by LACAC (n.d.) LACAC Evaluation (1994) Report on 3292 and 3276 New Street, City of Burlington Inventory Turcotte, Dorothy.(1989) Burlington, Memories of Pioneer Days. Burlington Historical Society, Burlington, ON.</p>
Character-Defining Elements: i.e. Description of Heritage Attributes	<p>The character-defining elements that contribute to the character of the John Henry Walker Jr. House include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Red-brick running bond exterior - Varied hip roof

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Asymmetrical façade - Gables on façade and side elevation with wood-shingle decoration, neo-Palladian windows and wood dentils - Wrap around porch with two entrance doors, wood columns atop brick pilasters and dentil detailing along the cornice - Semicircular and segmentally arched windows with hood moulds over brick voussoirs - Stone keystones and stone lintels - Brick chimney - Location on Walker's Line and proximity to Elwood Road
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Contributing Resources		Type:	Count:		
		Building	1		
		Landscape			
		Structure			
		Archaeological Site/Remains			
Area (m²)					
Dates of Significance	#	Type:	From:	To:	
	1	Construction			
	2	Construction (circa)	1908	1913	
	3	Significant			
BA	#	Type:	Name:		
	1	Architect	n/a		
	2	Builder	n/a		

Function Category and Type

Category and Type	#	Function:	Category:	Type:
	1	Historic	Residential	Single
	2	Current	Residential	Single

Theme

Theme Category Type	#	Category:	Type:
	1	Peopling the Land	Settlement

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Images

	Image 1:	Image 2:	Image 3:
File Path:	n/a	n/a	n/a
Image Type:	Contemporary Photograph	Contemporary Photograph	Contemporary Photograph
Caption:	Façade and South Elevation	North Elevation	South Elevation
Description:	Of note are the two gables with Palladian windows.	Of note is the brick chimney.	Of note are the segmentally arched windows with hood moulds and voussoirs.
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Miscellaneous Info:	n/a	n/a	n/a



Image 1



Image 2



Image 3

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Resources

Location of Documents:	City of Burlington 426 Brant Street, Burlington, Ontario L7R 3Z6		
Collections:	n/a		
Related Link	URL:	Type:	Description:
	http://cms.burlington.ca/site4.aspx	Local Government Website	City of Burlington website

Management

Ownership Type:	Private (Individual)
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