

NO. 7041

A B Y - L A W

To designate buildings for heritage purposes at 619 Avalon Street

WHEREAS the Council has received evidence that the buildings and structures mentioned in this by-law contain evidence of the City's history, culture and heritage;

AND WHEREAS the Council deems it to be in the public interest to preserve such buildings and structures for the education and enjoyment of present and future generations;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:

1. This by-law may be cited as the "Heritage Designation By-law (No. 27), 1976".
2. The buildings and structures on the lands described in the attached schedule are designated as heritage buildings and structures, pursuant to the provisions of Section 714A of the Municipal Act.
3. The said buildings and structures shall not be demolished or built upon.
4. The facades or exteriors of the said buildings and structures shall not be altered, except with the approval of the Council.
5. Any person contravening any provisions of this by-law is guilty of an offence and liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding \$10,000.00 or to imprisonment for a period not in excess of 60

days or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Passed by the Municipal Council the 28th  
day of October , A.D. 1976.

Approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in  
Council the 21st day of December A.D. 1976.

Reconsidered, adopted and finally passed  
by the Municipal Council the 27th day of January  
A.D., 1977.

"Theresa W. Durshell"

A/CITY CLERK

"W. D. Tindall"

A/MAYOR (L.S.)

SCHEDULE

Lot 4, Beckley Farm, Victoria  
City, Plan 185.

(Street address 619 Avalon Street)

# BC Register of Historic Places

**619 Avalon Road**

**DcRu-178**

Other Names:

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## LOCATION

Street Address:  Community:  Locality:  Province:

District:  Sub-District:  Economic Region:

Coordinates: Datum: Zone: Latitude (N): Longitude (E):

Cadastral Identifier:

## DESCRIPTION

**Description:** This two-storey, wood-frame Italianate house plays a key role in the Avalon Heritage Conservation District, anchored by Avalon Road itself, most of which was built at the end of the Nineteenth Century. This short, street connects the historic Beacon Hill Park with the community of James Bay, a peninsula on the southern edge of

**Boundaries:**  **Area:**

**Heritage value:** 619 Avalon Road plays an important function in the rhythm of this streetscape, providing a vertical counterpoint to its low-profile Arts-and-Crafts neighbours. The severity of the basic cuboid Italianate style is relieved by three

**Defining elements:** Features relating to the 1891 Italianate style include:  
 - two-storey octagonal bay with pent-roof and hipped roof extension  
 - porch with chamfered columns, brackets and pent-roof

### Function

Type:	Era:
Single Dwelling	Primary Historic
Single Dwelling	Primary Current

### Contributing resources

Number:	Type:
1	Building

**Theme:**

**Ownership:**

### Associated Event/Person/Organization

Association:	Type:
Frederick A. Jackson	Person
Elizabeth Marion (Lorimer) Jackson	Person

### Associated Dates

Type:	From:	To:
Construction	1891	1891

## FORMAL RECOGNITION

Type:	Enactment:	Date:
Heritage Designation	Council Resolution	27/01/1977

## DOCUMENTATION/ADMINISTRATION

**Web site link:**

**Other Collection:**

**Location of documentation:**

**Owner response:**

## **Statement of Significance     619 Avalon Road**

### **Description of Historic Place:**

This two-storey, wood-frame Italianate house plays a key role in the Avalon Heritage Conservation District, anchored by Avalon Road itself, most of which was built at the end of the Nineteenth Century. This short, street connects the historic Beacon Hill Park with the community of James Bay, a peninsula on the southern edge of downtown Victoria.

### **Heritage Value:**

619 Avalon Road plays an important function in the rhythm of this streetscape, providing a vertical counterpoint to its low-profile Arts-and-Crafts neighbours. The severity of the basic cuboid Italianate style is relieved by three major features –a two-storey octagonal bay and projecting porch on the front, and a rectangular bay on the west side.

The house was built in 1891 for Frederick and Elizabeth (Lorimer) Jackson, who lived their whole lives here. The quietly-imposing home conveys the material success of Frederick, who with his brother William took over a drugstore from their pioneer father, and his stature in the community as a celebrated athlete, active in local baseball and rowing.

Sources: City of Victoria Planning & Development Department; Victoria Heritage Foundation

### **Character-defining Elements:**

Features relating to the 1891 Italianate style include:

- two-storey octagonal bay with pent-roof and hipped roof extension
- porch with chamfered columns, brackets and pent-roof
- box-bay with hipped roof
- fish-scale shingles on pent-roofs
- drop siding and corner-boards
- recessed panels below windows, emphasized with diagonal tongue-and-groove
- three styles of brackets
- bracketed eaves under hipped roof, emphasized by wide cornice with tongue-and-groove panels