

24th Avenue Cottage School



Alternate Name	Beverly Apartments
Address	2300 5 th Street SW Click here to view in Google Maps
Community	Cliff Bungalow
Year Constructed	1911
Type	Education: school
Current Owner	Private
CHI Watch Risk¹	High (4 out of 5)
Designation²	Not protected
City Inventory	City Inventory 24th Ave Cottage School
Significance³	This building served the educational needs of area children for about 17 years. Cottage schools were meant as temporary educational buildings to meet the needs of rapid growth, designed to eventually revert to apartments once no longer needed. The 24th avenue cottage school is the only known example in Calgary which has fulfilled that intended second use. One of only 4 remaining wooden cottage schools in Calgary, and the sole example of an American Colonial Revival style, unlike the other 3 house-like structures, the site is of city-wide importance because it was repurposed as intended. It had four classrooms, with washrooms in the basement. By 1931 was listed in the city directory as the Beverley Apartments, with four suites. In the 1980s it was covered with vinyl siding, concealing the fact that it is one of the oldest buildings in Cliff Bungalow.
Status	A development permit application (DP2016-0845) was applied for by Stonebriar Crafted Homes on March 7, 2016 but has not been released. The application for 1 building of 16 units is proposed to redevelop the sites of the Cottage School plus two homes to the east at 522 and 524 24 th Ave SW.

	The proposed development is within the existing zoning for the site. No demolition permit has been applied for. Development signage was placed on site but has since been removed. At this time the original plans for the site appear to be dormant.
CHI's Position Statement	As one of only 4 remaining historical cottage schools, and the only one remaining in the southern quadrants of Calgary, this school is also of a unique architectural design which is transitional between the style of cottage and larger bungalow schools. It continues to function as residential apartments, contributing to the diversity of housing in Cliff Bungalow. CHI supports the preservation and protection of this important resource.
Upcoming	No upcoming items at this time.
Public Call to Action	Please email, tweet, phone, write your Councillor, Evan Wooley the Councillor of Ward 8 which includes Cliff Bungalow-Mission, and Mayor Nenshi.
Related articles and posts	https://www.facebook.com/CalgaryHeritageInitiative/posts/1044502742251862 http://wayback.archive-it.org/2217/20101208183234/http://www.albertasource.ca/realestate/landmarks/display_landmark.php?land_id=594
Historic Photos	Glenbow Museum http://ww2.glenbow.org/search/archivesPhotosSearch.aspx Image No:

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1. CHI Heritage Watch Rating

5	Imminent loss	Active plans for demolition
4	High Risk	Risk factors + negative intentions / dormant demolition plans
3	At Risk	Risk factors
2	Possible Risk	Unknown intentions or mix of negative and positive factors
1	Monitoring	Positive intentions but still possible risk

2. A designated Municipal Historic Resources is legally protected against demolition or inappropriate changes.

3. Primary Source: City of Calgary Inventory of Evaluated Historic Resources