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Properties

PIN 70004 - 2175 LT
Description PT LT 24, CON 3 MARKHAM, AS IN MA64193 EXCEPT PTS 1 & 3, 64R6363 & E XCEPT PT 1 65R27890 ; & PT W 1/2 LT 25, CON 3 MARKHAM, AS IN MA64192 EXCEPT PT 3 64R1799, PT 4 65R2773, PT 1 64R6363, PT 1 64R6364, EXPROP.PLS D859, D860 & D861 ; RICHMOND HILL .
Address 1591 ELGIN MILLS ROAD EAST
RICHMOND HILL

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Applicant(s)

This Order/By-law affects the selected PINs.

Name THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND HILL
Address for Service 225 East Beaver Creek Road
Richmond Hill, ON
L4B 3P4

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Statements

This application is based on the Municipality By-law See Schedules.

Signed By

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I have the authority to sign and register the document on behalf of the Applicant(s).

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Fees/Taxes/Payment

Statutory Registration Fee \$71.55
Total Paid \$71.55

File Number

Applicant Client File Number : HERITAGE BYLAW 106-25

The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill

By-law 106-25

A By-law to Designate 1591 Elgin Mills Road East (*Peter Heise House*) Under the *Ontario Heritage Act*

Whereas Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18 authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate property to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

And Whereas the Council of The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill ("City Council") has consulted with Heritage Richmond Hill concerning this matter;

And Whereas City Council thereafter caused the City Clerk to serve on the owner(s) of the property known as 1591 Elgin Mills Road East, Richmond Hill, as well as upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, a Notice of Intention to Designate the aforesaid property and has also caused the City Clerk to publish the Notice of Intention to Designate on the City's website in accordance with subsection 26(4) of the *Ontario Heritage Act* and City By-law 12-20, as amended;

And Whereas no Notice of Objection was served upon the City Clerk under subsection 29(5) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

And Whereas the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest, the Description of Heritage Attributes, and a scaled drawing identifying the location of the property's cultural heritage value or interest are set out in Schedule "A" to this by-law;

Now Therefore The Council of The Corporation of The City of Richmond Hill enacts as follows:

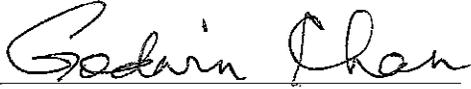
1. That the property located at 1591 Elgin Mills Road East, being Part of Lot 24, Concession 3 Markham as in MA64193; except Parts 1 and 3 on Plan 64R-6363 and Part 1 on Plan 65R-27890; Part of the West Half of Lot 25, Concession 3 Markham as in MA64192; except Part 3 on Plan 64R-1799, Part 4 on Plan 65R-2773, Part 1 on Plan 64R-6363, Part 1 on Plan 64R-6364 and expropriation plans D859, D860 and D861; City of Richmond Hill; Regional Municipality of York [PIN 70004-2175 (LT)], is hereby designated under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18, as being of cultural heritage value or interest.
2. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served on the owner(s) of the property and on the Ontario Heritage Trust, and publish a Notice of the Passing of this by-law on the City's website in accordance with subsection 26(4) of the *Ontario Heritage Act* and City By-law 12-20, as amended.

The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill
By-law 106-25

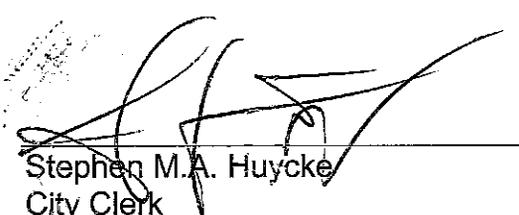
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3. That the City Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" in the Land Registry Office.
4. That Schedule "A" attached to By-law 106-25 is declared to form a part of this by-law.

Passed this 15th day of October, 2025.



Godwin Chan
Deputy Mayor



Stephen M.A. Huycke
City Clerk

File D12-07179

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW 106-25

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

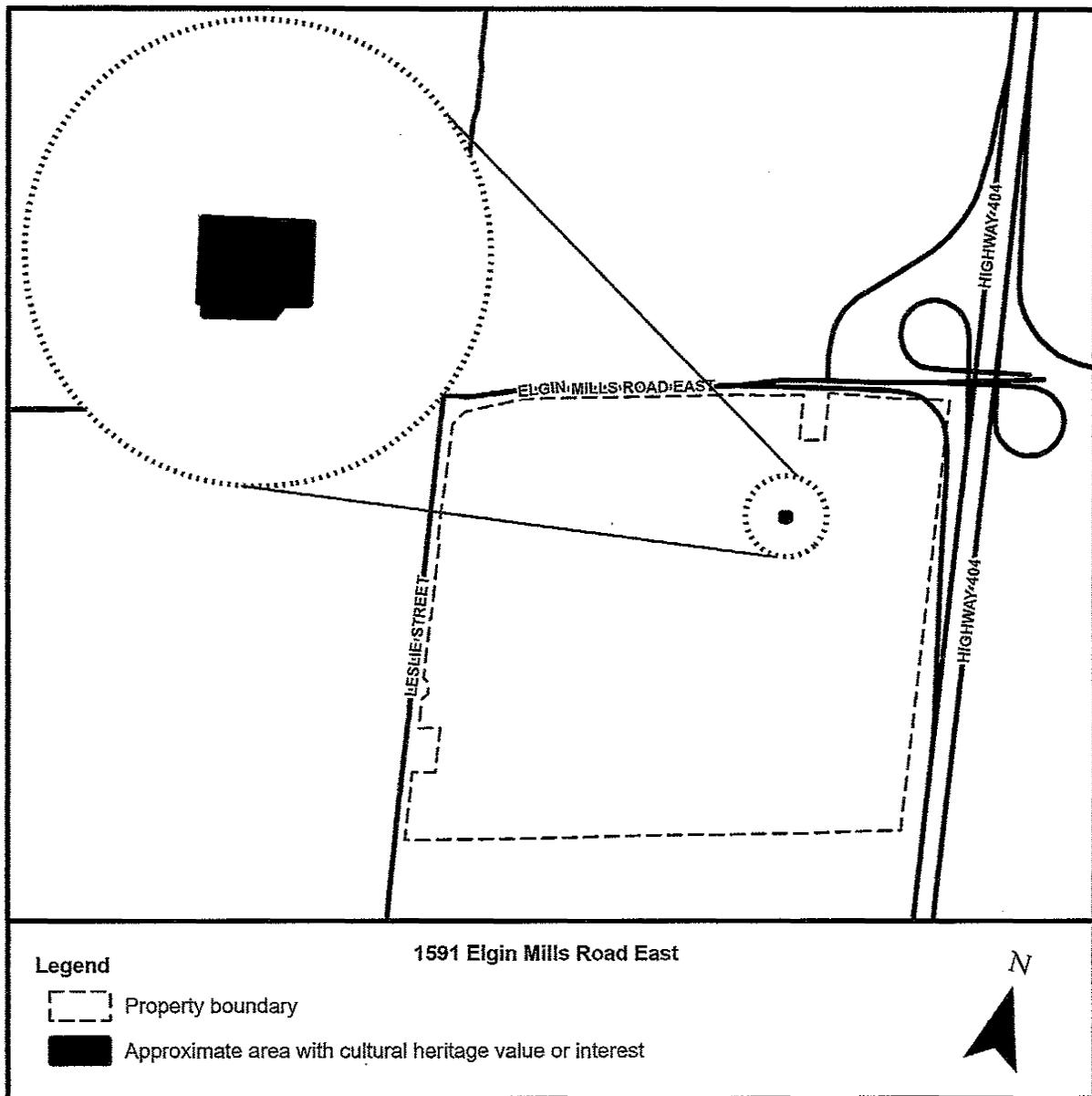
1591 Elgin Mills Road East

Peter Heise House

Description of Property

The Peter Heise House is a 1½-storey fieldstone and brick dwelling located east of Leslie Street on the south side of Elgin Mills Road East.

Area of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest



Statement of Significance

Design and Physical Value

Dating to 1852, the Peter Heise House at 1591 Elgin Mills Road East has physical value as a rare representative example of mid-19th-century German-Georgian stone farmhouse architecture in former Markham Township. There are only three known remaining examples of this architectural expression in Richmond Hill, including the subject dwelling, the Henricks-Brodie House at 9481 Leslie Street (c. 1834), and the

John Hilts House at 16 Bawden Drive (c. 1840), all of which were built by Pennsylvania German agricultural settlers in the mid-19th century. Building features representative of this architectural style and type include, but are not limited to: the 1½-storey massing and rectangular footprint of the main wing; the low-pitched side-gabled roof with wide return eaves; the fieldstone construction with buff brick quoining and banding; the asymmetrical four-bay composition of the north and south elevations; flat-headed window openings with stone sills and buff brick quoining and voussoirs; classical doorcases with sidelights and paneled wooden doors on the north and south elevations; the roof-ridge chimney; and the bellcast-roofed verandah on tapered wooden posts on the rear (south) elevation.

The Peter Heise House is also a rare example of a double-fronted residential building typology.

Historical and Associative Value

The Peter Heise House at 1591 Elgin Mills Road East has historical and associative value because it yields information that contributes to an understanding of early-19th-century Pennsylvania German settlers in Upper Canada, who immigrated en masse to York County following the American Revolutionary War and who formed early agricultural and religious communities in Markham Township. Pennsylvania German settlers had their own distinct cultural traditions, many of which are reflected in the subject dwelling's location in proximity to surface water, and German-Georgian architectural expression.

The subject property was the residence and farm of one branch of the Heise family, a family originally of the Brethren in Christ (Tunker) faith who came to Markham Township from Pennsylvania around 1804. John Heise bought the subject property from the Clergy Reserve Board in 1830, and his son Peter built the existing fieldstone dwelling in the German-Georgian style in 1852.

Contextual Value

The Peter Heise House at 1591 Elgin Mills Road East has contextual value for being historically linked to its surroundings as part of the 19th-century Heise family farmstead once located on Lot 25, Concession 3 in Markham Township. The existing fieldstone house was intentionally built in this location by the Heise family in 1852 due to the site's proximity to surface water and limestone-rich soils. As such, the subject dwelling retains long-standing and significant historical links to its surroundings. For instance, remaining landscape features of the original Heise farm include: the Leslie Street Tributary of the Rouge River located immediately east of the house and the heavily treed valley lands to the east.

Heritage Attributes

Design and Physical Value

Heritage attributes contributing to the value of the property as a rare representative example of 19th-century German-Georgian stone farmhouse architecture and a rare example of a double-fronted house are:

- The scale, form and 1 ½-storey massing of the house with a rectangular plan;
- The low-pitched side-gabled roof with wide return eaves, and a plain cornice below the eaves on the north and south elevations;
- The house's fieldstone construction with buff brick detailing including:
 - Large, squared stone cladding on the north and south elevations and variegated stone cladding on the side (east and west) elevations;

- Buff brick quoining at all four corners of the building and around window and door openings; and
- Buff brick recessed sawtooth stringcourses below the eaves on the north and south elevations;
- The asymmetrical four-bay composition of the north and south elevations, with an off-centre doorway flanked by one bay to the east and two bay to the west;
- The flat-headed window openings with stone sills and buff brick quoining and voussoirs;
- The flat-headed classical doorcases on the north and south elevations with sidelights and six-paneled wooden doors, surrounded by buff brick quoining and voussoirs; and
- The bellcast-roofed verandah on tapered octagonal wooden posts on the south elevation.

Historical and Associative Value

Heritage attributes that contribute to the value of the property for yielding information that contributes to an understanding of early-19th-century Pennsylvania German settlers in Markham Township are:

- The house's German-Georgian architectural expression and stone construction, which reflect the cultural traditions of Pennsylvania German settlers; and
- The house's location on the west bank of the Leslie Street Tributary of the Rouge River.

Contextual Value

Heritage attributes contributing to the contextual value of the property for historical links to its surroundings as part of the 19th-century Heise family farmstead are:

- The house's scale, siting and orientation south of Elgin Mills Road East, on the west bank of the Leslie Street Tributary of the Rouge River; and
- The house's German-Georgian architectural expression and stone construction.

Note: the early-20th-century front porch on the north elevation, the one-storey frame summer kitchen addition on the south elevation, and the farmhouse interior are not considered to possess heritage attributes.