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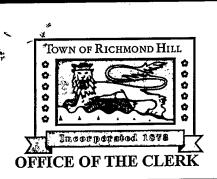
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### Town of Richmond Hill





#### Registered Mail

September 15, 2008

Mr. Sean Fraser The Ontario Heritage Trust 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto ON M5C 1J3 DEC 1 8 2008



Dear Mr. Fraser:

Re: Notice of the Passing of By-law No. 151-08

**Barker Farm House** 

Part of Lot 22, Concession 3, E.Y.S.,

More particularly described as Part of Part 1 on 65R-14168

(Former Township of Markham)

10251 Leslie Street
Town of Richmond Hill
Town File No.: D12-07263

The Council of The Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill, at its meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2008, passed the following resolution concerning Barker Farm House, Part of Lot 22, Concession 3, E.Y.S., more particularly described as Part of Part 1 on 65R-14168 (Former Township of Markham):

- "a) That the designation of Barker Farm House, 10251 Leslie Street as a property of historical or architectural value or interest under the *Ontario Heritage Act* be authorized;
- b) That draft By-law No. 151-08, be enacted."

A copy of By-law No. 151-08 is attached. A copy of the By-law has been sent to the land registry office to be registered against the properties affected.

Yours truly

Helen Arsenault
Legislative & Policy Advisor

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#### Attachment

- c. Donna L. McLarty, Town Clerk
- c. Joanne Leung, Manager of Urban Design
- c. Mark Krapez, Heritage/Urban Design Planner





## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL

## **BY-LAW NO. 151-08**

A By-law to Authorize the Designation of 10251 Leslie Street Barker Farm House under the Ontario Heritage Act

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.0.18 authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises know as 10251 Leslie Street Richmond Hill, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the reasons for the designation are set out in Schedule "A" and attached to By-law No. 151-08;

AND WHEREAS the Conservation Review Board dismissed without a hearing the only objection received;

# NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That the real property located at 10251 Leslie Street, being Part of Lot 22, Concession 3 (Markham), Part 1, Plan 65R-14168, save and except Part 1, Plan 65R-21276, [PIN NO. 70004-1844] Town of Richmond Hill, Regional Municipality of York is hereby designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O 1990., Chapter 0.18, as being of cultural heritage value or interest.
- 2. That the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of the By-law, together with a statement explaining the cultural heritage value or interest of the property and a description of the heritage attributes of the property to be served on the owner of the property and on the Trust, and publish a notice of the By-law in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.
- 3. That the Town Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property in the Land Registry Office.
- 4. Schedule "A" attached to By-law No. 151-08 is declared to form a part of this By-law.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 8TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2008.

READ A THRO TIME AND PASSED THIS 8TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2008.

Mayor

Dave Barrow

Clerk

#### SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 151-08

#### REASONS FOR DESIGNATION BARKER FARM HOUSE 10251 Leslie Street

#### Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Associated with original Euro-Canadian agricultural settlement of Markham Township, the parcel of lands on which the Barker's House stands was first owned by the Henick family in the 1860's. The site has been continuously occupied for over 125 years and contains three built heritage features including a 2 ½-storey fieldstone farmhouse, a 1 ½-storey wood frame barn, and a one storey barn/drive shed.

The Barker's property has cultural heritage value because it has direct associations with the farming activity significant to the local community and the history of migration of the early settlers in the region. The cluster of structures is considered a rare cultural heritage landscape feature in Ontario farms. As a vernacular Ontario farm building with arts and crafts features, the farmhouse itself has architectural value as a late and unusual example of stone construction reviving heritage crafts of stone masonry. The continuous occupation of the site as a farmstead also serves as a visual reminder to the rural farming origins of the region.

#### **Description of Heritage Attributes**

#### The Farm Complex

The property contains three built heritage features including a 2 ½-storey fieldstone farmhouse, a 1 ½-storey wood frame barn, and a one-storey barn/drive shed. This cluster of structures has been identified as part of a farm complex, considered a rare cultural heritage landscape feature in Ontario farms. This cluster of structures is considered as one cultural landscape unit.

#### The Farm House

This large farmhouse is a late and unusual example of stone construction reviving the heritage crafts of stone masonry. Distinguishing features include the south, west, east and north elevations of the building and include all two-over-two sash windows, stone voussoirs, stone piers supporting a verandah on the south side and a moderately pitched side gable roof, together with all original wall cladding material, and all component architectural features and detailing and stone chimneys.

