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The Town of Richmond Hill

DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

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Registered Mail

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, RSO 1990, CHAPTER 0.18

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES
IN THE TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

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Ontario Heritage Foundation 77 Bloor Street West Toronto, ON M7A 2R9

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill intends to designate the following property, including lands and building, as a property of historic or architectural value or interest, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, RSO 1990, Chapter 0.18:

Municipal Address

1380 Elgin Mills Road East, Richmond Hill

Legal Description:

Part of Lots 26 and 27, Concession 2, EYS, being Part

1 on Plan 65R-6156

Historical Reference:

Town Farmhouse

Reasons for the Proposed Designation:

The Town Farmhouse is recommended for designation for historical and architectural reasons.

The farmhouse was built by farmer Thomas F. Boynton, circa 1875. The property remained in the ownership of subsequent generations of Boyntons until 1964. The farm was acquired by the Town in 1974 for park purposes.



The building is an excellent example of a Classic Ontario Farmhouse. Significant exterior features include the T-shaped plan, patterned brick, original windows, four panelled doors, recessed and transomed entrance, centre gable with Regency Gothic window, bargeboards and kingpost, and bellcast side verandah on turned posts. Significant interior features include the enclosed central staircase with second storey balustrade.

A more detailed reasons for designation is attached for your review.

Any person who objects to the proposed designation shall, within thirty (30) days after the date of this notice serve on the Clerk of the Town of Richmond Hill, a notice of objection setting out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts. Service may be made by delivery personally to the Clerk or by registered mail. Where service is made by registered mail, the service shall be deemed to be made on the seventh day after the day of mailing unless the Clerk establishes that he did not, acting in good faith, through absence, accident illness or other cause beyond his control, receive the objection until a later date.

Notice of objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts may be served on the Clerk of the Town of Richmond Hill before the 13th day of November, 1992.

R.J. Douglas/ Clerk

Please Note:

If service is made by registered mail, it is not effective unless and until it is actually received by the Clerk and the responsibility for ensuring it is received within the prescribed time rests with the person filing the objection. If such a notice is actually received after the prescribed time, it will not be accepted by the Clerk as a valid objection.

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The Town Farmhouse is recommended for designation for historical and architectural reasons.

The farmhouse was built by Thomas F. Boynton, a farmer of English origin, circa 1875. Prior to Boynton's purchase of the east half of Lot 26, Concession 2, Markham Township in 18745, the property had mainly been occupied by tenant farmers. A log house used by the tenants was once located to the west of the existing farmhouse. It was probably never inhabited by the Boynton family since assessment information indicates that Thomas F. BOYNTON lived elsewhere during the construction of th new brick dwelling.

The farm remained in th ownership of subsequent generations of the Boynton family until 1964. The property was acquired by the Town of Richmond Hill for park purposes in 1975. The house currently services as the Hellenic Canadian Cultural Centre.

The Town Farmhouse in an excellent example of a Classic Ontario Farmhouse, with a distinctive centre gable applied to a basic Georgian form.

Significant exterior features include the T-shaped plan, patterned brick walls, gable roof, front gable with Regency Gothic window, bargeboards and kingpost, six-over-six windows, four-panelled doors, transomed entrance with recessed surround with fluted quarter columns, and bellcast side verandah supported on slender turned posts.

Originally, a full-width verandah existed on the south elevation, with similar detailing to the remaining side verandah. The roof of the house was originally clad in wooden shingles.

Significant interior features include the enclosed central staircase with second storey balustrade consisting of four turned newels, moulded handrails, and turned balusters.

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