



## By-law 2020-69

A by-law to designate a property as being of  
Cultural Heritage Value or Interest  
James Campbell House

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WHEREAS Pursuant to Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, the Council of a Municipality is authorized to enact by-laws to designate a real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the City of Markham has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises at:

2 Wismer Place  
Markham L6E 1A8

and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, notice of intention to designate the James Campbell House, 2 Wismer Place, and has caused such notice of intention to be published once in a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "B" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law;


NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MARKHAM HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:


1. THAT the following real property, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest:

James Campbell House  
City of Markham  
The Regional Municipality of York

2. THAT the City Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the properties described in Schedule "A" attached hereto in the property Land Registry Office.

Read a first, second, and third time and passed July 14 and 16, 2020.

  
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Kimberley Kitteringham  
City Clerk

  
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Frank Scarpitti  
Mayor

# **SCHEDULE ‘A’ TO BY-LAW 2020-69**

In the City of Markham in the Regional Municipality of York, property descriptions as follows:

PARCEL 8-1, SECTION 65M-2761; LOT 8, PLAN 65M-2761; MARKHAM

CITY OF MARKHAM  
REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

# SCHEDULE 'B' TO BY-LAW 2020-69

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

### James Campbell House

2 Wismer Place

c.1865

The James Campbell House is recommended for designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as a property of cultural heritage value or interest, as described in the following Statement of Significance.

#### Description of Property

The James Campbell House is a relocated heritage building at the south-west corner of Wismer Place and Heritage Corners Lane in Markham Heritage Estates, a community of relocated heritage buildings. The James Campbell House is a one-and-a-half storey board and batten-clad frame building.

#### Historical and Associative Value

This house was constructed as a rental property by leading Markham businessman and blacksmith, John Jerman, in the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century. James Campbell, the original occupant of the house, was a Scottish-born shoemaker who lived in the house with his wife Sarah (Turner) Campbell and their ten children. The family lived here from 1865 to 1891. Their eldest son, Robert, was a carpenter/wagonmaker who opened the Robert Campbell Furniture Store and Undertaker on Markham's Main Street in the former General Store and Post Office owned by Archibald Barker.

#### Design and Physical Value

The James Campbell House, c.1865, is a good example of a pre-Confederation village residence, suited to the modest needs of one of the many tradesmen that lived in Markham Village during the time of the community's prominence as a regional centre for manufacturing. The board and batten-sided building is a simple vernacular dwelling, designed with the influence of the Georgian architectural tradition.

#### Contextual Value

The James Campbell House has contextual value as a restored building from 26 Albert Street in Markham Village, relocated in 2014 to Markham Heritage Estates to save it from demolition due to development. In its present context, the house helps illustrate the range of architectural styles, building materials, and cultural backgrounds of the City's heritage buildings.

#### Significant Architectural Attributes to be Conserved

Exterior, character-defining elements that embody the cultural heritage value of the James Campbell House include:

- The overall form of the original house, with its rectangular plan, existing door and window openings, and one and a half storey height;
- Original wood board and batten siding, with replica battens;
- Natural fieldstone foundation facing;
- Original, beaded edged wood trim around door and window openings;
- Gable roof with overhanging eaves, with wood shingles, wood soffits and fascia boards and replica single-stack brick chimney at the east gable end;
- Replica 6/6 wood windows on the ground floor
- Original 6/6 wood windows on the second floor;
- Replica 4 panelled wood entrance door on the front wall;