



By-law 2024-143

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE A PROPERTY AS BEING OF
CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST
“WILLIAM AND HANNAH HATTON HOUSE”
10754 VICTORIA SQUARE BLVD

WHEREAS Pursuant to Part IV, Section 29, of the Ontario Heritage Act (the “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;

WHEREAS the property described in Schedule “A” to this By-law (the “Property”) contains the cultural heritage resource known as the William and Hannah Hatton House;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the City of Markham, by resolution passed on May 1, 2024, has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises at:

Antonio Fedele
10754 Victoria Square Blvd
Markham, Ontario
L6C 1J5

and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, notice of intention to designate the William and Hannah Hatton House, 10754 Victoria Square Blvd, and has caused such notice of intention to be published digitally in a manner consistent with the requirements of the Act;

AND WHEREAS Council has described the Property, set out the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest for the Property, and described the heritage attributes of the Property in Schedule “B” to this By-law, which forms 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:

“William and Hannah Hatton House”
10754 Victoria Square Blvd
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 property described in Schedule “A” attached hereto in the property Land Registry Office.

Read a first, second, and third time and passed July 17, 2024.

Kimberley Kitteringham
City Clerk

Frank Scarpitti
Mayor

SCHEDULE 'A' TO BY-LAW 2024-143

In the City of Markham in the Regional Municipality of York, the property municipally known as 10754 Victoria Square Blvd, Markham, Ontario, and legally described as follows:

LOT 2, CONCESSION RD PLAN 404; MARKHAM

PIN: 030540040

SCHEDULE 'B' TO BY-LAW 2024-143

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

William and Hannah Hatton House

10754 Victoria Square Boulevard
c.1830

The William and Hannah Hatton House is recommended for designation under Part IV, Section 29 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 William and Hannah Hatton House is a one-and-a-half storey stucco dwelling located on the west side of Victoria Square Boulevard, just north of Elgin Mills Road East, in the historic hamlet of Victoria Square. The house faces east.

Design Value and Physical Value

The William and Hannah Hatton House has design value and physical value as a locally rare example of plank frame construction, and dating from c.1830, it is the oldest house still standing in the historic hamlet of Victoria Square. It is a modified, early, representative example of a village dwelling in the vernacular Georgian architectural tradition. Renovations undertaken in 2006-2011 were carried out in a sympathetic historical style. The underlying construction of the front portion of this house is vertical plank combined with timber framing, or "plank frame," an uncommon building technology that was in use in this area of the province in the first half of the nineteenth century. In this structural system, stout planks set vertically form the walls between the post and beam structural members.

Historical Value and Associative Value

The William and Hannah Hatton House has historical value and associative value, representing the locally significant theme of immigration, particularly the substantial wave of British families who arrived in Markham Township from 1820s-1830s onward. It has further associative value as it represents the religious diversity of early Markham Township Markham for its association with William Hatton, former resident of the dwelling, who was also the first leader of Victoria Square's Primitive Methodist Church. William Hatton was an English immigrant that came to Read's Corners (later known as Victoria Square) in the early 1830s. He was married to Hannah Cook, a widow from Yorkshire, England, who with her husband had settled in Markham Township in 1829. William Hatton was a member of a group of Primitive Methodists that were established by William Lawson and his wife in the Town of York in 1829. In 1832, the Reverend William Summerside formed a "class" of Primitive Methodists and appointed William Hatton as leader. Worship services were held in the Hatton House until a church was built across the road in the early 1830s. William and Hannah Hatton rented this modest frame house from the Heise family until they constructed a new dwelling next to the Primitive Methodist Church (demolished) in approximately 1850.

Contextual Value

The William and Hannah Hatton House has contextual value because it is one of a number of nineteenth and early twentieth century buildings that define the character and extent of the historic hamlet of Victoria Square, and because it is historically linked to the site of the Victoria Square Primitive Methodist Church at 10769 Victoria Square Boulevard, as well as the Hatton-Baker House at 10761 Victoria Square Boulevard.

Heritage Attributes

Character-defining attributes that embody the cultural heritage value of the William and Hannah Hatton House are organized by their respective Ontario Regulation 9/06 criteria, as amended, below:

Heritage attributes that convey the property's design and physical value as a locally rare example of plank frame construction, and a modified, early, representative example of a village dwelling in the vernacular Georgian architectural tradition:

- Rectangular plan;
- One-and-a-half storey height;
- Stucco finish;
- Saltbox profile of the north elevation;
- Medium-pitched gable roof with overhanging boxed eaves and eave returns;
- Three-bay composition of the east (primary) elevation with a centrally placed single-leaf door flanked by six-over-six single hung windows;
- Multi-paned windows in varying sizes on the north and south gable-end walls;
- Underlying plank frame construction of the front portion of the building.

Heritage attributes that convey the property's historical value and associative value, representing the theme of immigration, particularly the significant wave of British who arrived in Markham Township from 1820s-1830s onwards, as well as the religious diversity of Markham Township through its association with William Hatton, founder of a Primitive Methodist Church in Victoria Square:

- The dwelling is a tangible reminder of the Hatton-Cook family, English immigrants who historically resided here, and of the early history of the Victoria Square Primitive Methodist Church.

Heritage attributes that convey the property's contextual value as a building that is important in defining, maintaining and supporting the character and extent of the historic hamlet of Victoria Square:

- The location of the building on its original site, facing east, within the historic crossroads hamlet of Victoria Square.

Heritage Attributes that convey the property's contextual value because it is physically, functionally, visually and historically linked to its surroundings:

- The location of the building opposite the former site of the Victoria Square Primitive Methodist Church and the restored Hatton-Baker House.