

## **NOTICE**

In accordance with procedure By-law 160-2004, and in the matter of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O. 18, and the matter of the lands and premises known as The Levi Hall House, located at 1 Hallstone Road (formerly 1819 Hallstone Road) in the City of Brampton, in the Province of Ontario:

### **NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE**

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the City of Brampton intends to designate property situated at 1 Hallstone Road (The Levi Hall House), in the City of Brampton, in the Province of Ontario, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. c. O. 18.

### **DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY**

The subject property is situated in the former Toronto Township. The lot is rectangular shaped. The frontage covers 84 square feet. The plan of the principle structure is a simple rectangular shape. Adjacent property features include: residential developments to the east, and a golf course to the north, south, and west of the property.

### **SHORT STATEMENT OF THE REASON FOR THE DESIGNATION**

The property at 1 Hallstone Road (formerly 1819 Hallstone Road) is worthy of designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act for its cultural heritage value. The property meets the criteria for designation prescribed by the Province of Ontario under the three categories of design or physical value, historical value and contextual value.

The cultural heritage value of the Levi Hall House is related to its design or physical value as a Georgian, Classical Revival brick farmhouse from the Victorian period. The Georgian style was popular from 1750 to 1850. Georgian style homes are characterized by simplicity, symmetry and solidarity. They are typically five bay homes with sash windows, cornice embellishments, and dentil molding along the eaves. The main entrance is usually centered and paneled, with a decorative crown and flattened columns on both sides. They reflected the larger, more elaborate houses that were being built in England. The Classical Revival style gained prominence between 1820 and 1860. Like the Georgian style, the classical revival style is known for its symmetry and elegant simplicity in form. It embraced classical Greek forms, and had occasional Roman influences. The Levi Hall House also exhibits elements of the Gothic Revival style. The Gothic Revival style was popular from 1830 to 1890, and is predominant in Brampton and in Ontario. Some would argue that the Gothic style was the most important artistic movement to come out of England. Gothic Revival led to the architectural movements of the Queen Anne Style and the Arts and Crafts Movement. Gothic architecture typically incorporates pointed arches and finials.

Built in 1857, the Levi Hall House is located on land that has been used for agricultural purposes since the early 19<sup>th</sup> century. The house is distinguished by its projecting central bay, finial-topped peaked roofline, eight paneled casement window, and decorated cornice. The quoin and frieze design was once a prominent feature of the house, however, upon closer inspection, it was discovered that only red bricks were used in the home's construction. The patterns were not of contrasting brick colour but were painted on some time after the house was built. Brickwork patterns were deemed a very fashionable feature, and commonly used to enhance the beauty of a building. The white quoining and frieze design of the Levi Hall house was removed during the restoration to return the house to its original heritage state. Aside from the addition of a rear porch, the house has remained relatively unchanged since it was built. The interior retains most of its original pine woodwork. Mature trees and shrubs surround the house.

The property also has historical or associative value as it can be associated with Brampton's earliest settlers, particularly the Hall family. The Hall family is associated with the early settlement and farming boom of 1840-1880. Pyram Hall was one of Churchville's settlers.

The cultural heritage value of the property is also connected to its contextual value as it maintains, supports, and defines the character of Brampton. The property alludes to the agricultural functions that once dominated the area, while the vernacular architecture demonstrates the aesthetic features that were prominent during the mid-1800s.

## **DESCRIPTION OF HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES**

Unless otherwise indicated, the reasons for designation apply generally to all exterior elevations, facades, foundation, roof and roof trim, all doors, windows, other structural openings and associated trim, all architectural detailing, construction materials of wood, stone, brick, plaster parging, metal and glazing and related building techniques, fencing, all trees, shrubs, hedgerows, other vegetation and the grounds and vistas generally.

To ensure that the cultural heritage value of this property is conserved, certain heritage attributes that contribute to its value have been identified. They include:

### Design / Physical Value:

- Original form of the 1857 Georgian and Classical Revival farmhouse
- 1½ storeys, 3 bays
- Original dichromatic brick, (now painted) quoins, arches, squared frontispiece with entry, decorative fascia
- Original shutters and chimneys on either end

- Unique, tall casement windows
- Multi-paneled transom light and sidelights
- The interior contains most of its original pine woodwork

Historical / Associative Value:

- Allegedly built by Levi Hall in 1857
- Associated with the agricultural settlement of the area
- Directly associated with the early settlement of Brampton

Contextual Value:

- Mature trees characterize the landscape

The short statement of reason for the designation, including a description of the heritage attributes along with all other components of the detailed Heritage Report: Statement of Reason for Heritage Designation, constitute the "reason for heritage designation" required under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Please contact Antonietta Minichillo, Heritage Coordinator in Urban Design Section, Planning, Design and Development Department at 905-874-3744 to view this document, and for further information. Any objections to this proposed designation must be filed with the City Clerk no later than 4:30 p.m. on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 (within 30 days of the publication of this notice).

Dated at the City of Brampton on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2011.

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