

NOTICE
Intention to Designate a Property / Ontario Heritage Act

The Council of the City of Markham intends to designate the following property for reasons of cultural heritage value or interest pursuant to the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18, Part IV*:

Victoria Square United Church and Methodist Chapel
10720 Victoria Square Blvd
Markham, ON

Victoria Square United Church, built in 1880, has design value and physical value as a representative example of High Victorian Gothic Revival ecclesiastical architecture. The Methodist Chapel, built in 1845, is of design value and physical value as a locally rare example of a mid-nineteenth century Classical Revival church of frame construction. Victoria Square United Church and Methodist Chapel are of historical value and associative value as they represent the religious and cultural mosaic of Markham Township, and as a long-standing centre of Christian worship within the Victoria Square community. Further, Victoria Square United Church, with its restored Methodist Chapel, is a noteworthy and rare example of an evolved ecclesiastical property. The brick church of 1880, set close to the street with its prominent tower, is a local landmark within the historic crossroads community of Victoria Square. Together with an adjoining cemetery and mature trees, the property is a significant cultural heritage landscape that contributes to the distinctive, village-like character of Victoria Square.

Any person may notify the City of Markham of their objection in writing, which shall include the reasons for their objection and all relevant facts, **on or before 4:30 p.m. December 21, 2023** to be sent by registered mail or dropped off in person to:

Clerk's Department, City of Markham
Attention: Alecia Henningham
101 Town Centre Boulevard
Markham, ON L3R 9W3

Objections can also be submitted via email at: clerkspublic@markham.ca

If a notice of objection is received, the Clerk will refer the matter to Markham Council for reconsideration. Further information regarding the proposed designation is available from the Clerk's Department.

Dated at Markham this 21st day of November, 2023
Kimberley Kitteringham, City Clerk