

The applicant(s) hereby applies to the Land Registrar.

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**Properties**

PIN 03065 - 0350 LT Estate/Qualifier Fee Simple Lt Conversion Qualified ☒ Affects Part of Prop  
Description PART OF LOT 5, CONCESSION 10, EXCEPT PART 1, PLAN 64R-4939, TOWN OF MARKHAM, REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK  
Address MARKHAM

**Applicant(s)**

This Order/By-law affects the selected PINs.

Name THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MARKHAM  
Address for Service 101 Town Centre Boulevard  
Markham, Ontario  
L3R 9W3

This document is being authorized by a municipal corporation The Corporation of the Town of Markham, Don Cousens, Mayor and Sheila Birrell, Clerk.

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**Statements**

This application is based on the Municipality By-Law No. 2003-156 dated 2003/05/27.

Schedule: See Schedules

**Signed By**

Cathy I. Wyatt 101 Town Centre Blvd. acting for Applicant(s) Signed 2004 02 27  
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**Submitted By**

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**Fees/Taxes/Payment**

Statutory Registration Fee \$60.00  
Total Paid \$60.00

**File Number**

Applicant Client File Number : 04 0411 LG 0075 - JAMES DIMMA HOUSE

**Properties**

PIN	03065 - 0120 LT	Estate/Qualifier	Fee Simple Lt Conversion Qualified
Description	PT LT 1 CON 10 MARKHAM AS IN MA108258 W OF THE TRAVELLED RD (AKA REESOR RD) ; S/T MA110125 MARKHAM		
Address	MARKHAM		
PIN	03065 - 0165 LT	Estate/Qualifier	Fee Simple Lt Conversion Qualified
Description	LT 1 PL 4531 MARKHAM; LT 2 PL 4531 MARKHAM; LT 2 CON 10 MARKHAM EXCEPT PTS 1 & 7 65R20640; E1/2 LT 3 CON 10 MARKHAM; W1/2 OF W1/2 LT 3 CON 10 MARKHAM; E1/2 OF W1/2 LT 3 CON 10 MARKHAM; LT 4 CON 10 MARKHAM; LT 5 CON 10 MARKHAM EXCEPT PT 1, 64R4939; PT LT 1 CON 10 MARKHAM AS IN MA108258 (4) E OF TRAVELLED RD, EXCEPT 65R20719, PTS 2-8, 65R20640 CONFIRMED BY 65BA2153, 65BA2155, 65BA2156, 65BA2157, 65BA2158 & 65BA2159 ; S/T MA23837 ASSIGNED BY R692069 ; S/T MA110125 MARKHAM. (AMENDED 2001/07/05 @ 10:28, B. LOURENCO, DLR)		
Address	MARKHAM		
PIN	03065 - 0109 LT	Estate/Qualifier	Fee Simple Lt Conversion Qualified
Description	LT 6 CON 10 MARKHAM EXCEPT PT 1 64R3907 & PT 2 64R3908; PT LT 7 CON 10 MARKHAM; PT LT 8 CON 10 MARKHAM; PT W1/2 LT 9 CON 10 MARKHAM; PT E1/2 LT 9 CON 10 MARKHAM; PT LT 10 CON 10 MARKHAM AS IN MA108258, LYING TO THE E & S OF 64R2450, EXCEPT PT 4 65R17785 & PT 4 64R8194 ; MARKHAM		
Address	MARKHAM		
PIN	03065 - 0094 LT	Estate/Qualifier	Fee Simple Lt Conversion Qualified
Description	PT LT 7 CON 10 MARKHAM; PT LT 8 CON 10 MARKHAM; PT W1/2 LT 9 CON 10 MARKHAM LYING NW OF 64R2450 AS IN MA108258; PT LT 10 CON 10 MARKHAM LYING NW OF 64R2450 AS IN MA90567 & MA108258 EXCEPT PT 1 64R2946 ; MARKHAM		
Address	MARKHAM		
PIN	03064 - 0045 LT	Estate/Qualifier	Fee Simple Lt Conversion Qualified
Description	RDAL BTN LTS 10 & 11 CON 10 MARKHAM LYING W OF MA47417; PT LT 10 CON 10 MARKHAM AS IN MA108258 LYING N OF MA47417; PT LT 11 CON 10 MARKHAM; PT LT 12 CON 10 MARKHAM; PT LT 13 CON 10 MARKHAM; PT LT 14 CON 10 MARKHAM; PT LT 15 CON 10 MARKHAM AS IN MA108258 EXCEPT R289463 LYING W OF 64R2450; S/T MA89220; S/T R428881 ASSIGNED BY R692069; S/T INTEREST OF THE MUNICIPALITY ; S/T MA22445 MARKHAM		
Address	MARKHAM		
PIN	03064 - 0016 LT	Estate/Qualifier	Fee Simple Lt Conversion Qualified
Description	W1/2 LT 16 CON 10 MARKHAM; E1/2 LT 16 CON 10 MARKHAM EXCEPT PTS 1 & 2, 65R18882; PT LT 17 CON 10 MARKHAM PTS 1, 3 & 4, 64R2269; PT LT 16 CON 9 MARKHAM; PT LT 17 CON 9 MARKHAM PT 1, 64R2947; PT RDAL BTN CONCESSIONS 9 & 10 MARKHAM PT 2, 64R2947; S/T INTEREST OF THE MUNICIPALITY ; MARKHAM		
Address	MARKHAM		
PIN	03065 - 0079 LT	Estate/Qualifier	Fee Simple Lt Conversion Qualified
Description	PT LT 3 CON 9 MARKHAM; PT LT 4 CON 9 MARKHAM; PT LT 5 CON 9 MARKHAM PTS 3-8,11-14 64R6524 EXCEPT PTS 5, 6 & 8, 65R17218 & PT 3, 64R7853; PT LT 3 CON 9 MARKHAM & PT LT 4 CON 9 MARKHAM AS IN MA99672 (SCHEDULE B SECONDLY) BTN PT 2, 64R2051 & PTS 8 & 11, 64R6524; PT E1/2 LT 2 CON 9 MARKHAM AS IN MA93610, MA93611, MA93617, MA94301 & PTS 1, 2 & 3, 64R7395; S/T MA43765; S/T MA56374; S/T MA59687; S/T MA90634; S/T MA99672; S/T MA91343 PARTIALLY RELEASED BY R646697; S/T R646698; T/W MA93610; T/W MA93611; S/T MA18874 & MA23838 ASSIGNED BY R692069 ; S/T MA110125,MA94777 MARKHAM		
Address	MARKHAM		

**Party From(s)**

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SHEILA BIRRELL, TOWN CLERK

  
DON COUSENS, MAYOR

## **SCHEDULE 'A' TO BY-LAW 2003-156**

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

PART LOT 5, CONCESSION 10

TOWN OF MARKHAM  
REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

## SCHEDULE 'B' TO BY-LAW 2003-156

### STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DESIGNATION:

#### Historical Information

The James Dimma house located on Lot 5, Concession 10 was built on land, which was originally granted to Russell Olmstead. By 1801 Olmstead had successfully fulfilled his settlement duties as he received the patent to the full 200 acre property. (It is interesting that he is not listed in the Berczy Census of 1803.) In Nov. of 1811, Samuel Nash purchased the 200 acre parcel for 200 pounds. In 1836 when the property was sold again it was divided into the W  $\frac{1}{2}$  100 acres, which went to William Robson and the E  $\frac{1}{2}$  100 acres, which was sold to William Dunsheath, an Irishman. At this particular time the E  $\frac{1}{2}$  was more valuable than the W  $\frac{1}{2}$ , which may indicate that any structure, which had previously been constructed, was on this section.

Dunsheath further divided the E  $\frac{1}{2}$  of Lot 5 into two 50 acre parcels. The E  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the E  $\frac{1}{2}$  50 acres was sold, in 1838, to James Boyd and the W  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the E  $\frac{1}{2}$  was sold, in 1843 to James Dimma. Again, this parcel was purchased for a significantly higher amount than the adjoining 50 acres. It appears that the structure, which was located on this original parcel, was located on Dimma's property. It is possible that the present house incorporates this earlier building, which may date to before 1840. The Census of 1851 makes reference to the Dimma family living in a 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  storey log building. As early as 1851 there was a cooperage on the property, which supplied barrels to the mills in this area. Robert Haney is listed in the Census of 1851 as being a cooper who lived on the property. The Assessment records for 1853 list the following: James Dimma Sr, age 61, listed as a farmer; James Dimma Jr., age 28, listed as a cooper and householder; Robert Dimma, age 26, listed as a teamster and householder. This same assessment book lists William Dunsheath as residing on 65 acres of the W. part of Lot 5, Concession 10.

Sometime after selling his property on the south side of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue in 1843, William "Daddy" Dunsheath became the proprietor of the local inn in Cedar Grove. William and his family of seven ran the inn on the northeast corner of the Tenth Concession Road and Fourteenth Avenue (Lot 6, concession 10).

James Dimma was born in Sprouston Stead, Berkwickshire, Scotland on Oct. 13, 1788. He married Christina Cessford and together they had three sons, William, James and Robert. James was not a young man when he immigrated to Upper Canada in 1835. He was 47 years old and brought with him his wife and two youngest sons James and Robert. It seems that William, the eldest, joined the family sometime after 1851. James' sister Janet married William Dickson and descendants of theirs went on to settle in the north part of the township, which was later called Dickson Hill.

The Dimma family arrived one year after the Robert Milroy family arrived from Scotland, their neighbours to the south. Together these Scottish Presbyterian families were instrumental in the organization of the early congregation of the Zion church, which first met for services at a log schoolhouse located on the south-east corner of the township. Construction of a frame church on the rear of Lot 1 took place in 1857. James Dimma was a church elder for many years. It was not until 1890 that the present red brick Gothic Revival church was constructed.

The Dimma property became known as Willowdale Farm and was eventually handed down to James Junior after his father's death in 1869. Together with 25 acres of property on the north side of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue he continued to farm the land until his death in 1886. James Dimma junior was active in St Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Markham Village. He and his parents were buried at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Cemetery.

### Architectural Description

The house located at 7933 Fourteenth Avenue is an example of an early 1 ½ storey house influenced by the Regency Style. The house is built on a rectangular plan 5 bays across by 1 bay deep. The exterior wall material is stucco and the foundation, which is present under only part of the house, is of fieldstone. The roof is a low pitch gable with returned eaves. The full width verandah has eaves, which project out through the entire length of the building. This detail was sometimes used in more primitive buildings and is only seen occasionally within Markham. (i.e. The Museum's Hoover House and the Philip Eckhardt House) The door opening is rectangular and offset left. The door has pilasters and entablature with side lights. The windows are rectangular in shape, some having 2/2 pane division and others having 6/6.

The windows have a moulded wood trim. There is a single chimney located on the exterior right side. There is a small gabled dormer on the front elevation, which appears to be a later addition. A simple one storey addition is located at the rear of the building. It appears that part of the existing structure could pre-date James Dimma's ownership of the property and may be as early as c.1840, when William Dunsheath was the owner.

### Contextual Reasons

The James Dimma House is of contextual significance for its association with the historic agricultural community surrounding the village of Cedar Grove. It is a reminder of Markham's early settlers who constructed dwellings along the banks of the Little Rouge River system.

### Significant Attributes

1. All wood double hung windows on all elevations;
2. All existing original exterior doors and storm doors;
3. The fieldstone foundation;
4. The front entrance with pilasters, entablature and side lights;
5. The original footprint of the front and rear of the dwelling;
6. The existing roofline.