

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO DESIGNATE UNDER THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

**Re: Notice of Intent to Designate 65 Royalpark Way pursuant to Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.**

### INTENT TO DESIGNATE UNDER THE *ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT*

Please take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Vaughan intends to designate for reasons of cultural heritage value or interest, pursuant to Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* the property municipally known as **65 Royalpark Way** in the City of Vaughan, in the Province of Ontario.

### REASONS FOR PROPOSED DESIGNATION

Affectionately known as “the Stone Pile”, this 2-storey vernacular Georgian Stone house was built in 1859 by Andrew McClure. It is designed in a “T” shape and has a side-gabled roof and symmetrical arrangement of chimneys, windows and doors on the front façade. The front door has a fan light, which is done in Classical style. Two basement windows appear on both sides of the gabled roof (north and south). A sunroom was added to the east side of the house by Col. William Laurie in the early 1950s. The house is a stunning example of the simple, solid and symmetrical style of Georgian architecture, which was most prominent in Ontario during the 1780s – 1860s. The stone used to build the house came from an area  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile east of the 9th Concession, in a valley on the south side of Elder’s Sideroad in Elder’s Mills (Woodbridge). Photographs from the McClure Family Fonds at the City of Vaughan Archives give us great insight to how the area looked pre-1950s.

The property was consecutively owned by the McClure, the Natress, and the Laurie families, all of whom were significant to the area at their respective times. From where the house is situated, it likely had a pleasant view looking out in every direction. For over a century the property was used as a farm and contextually relates to the agricultural history and colonial settlement of Vaughan.

A copy of this Notice of Intent to Designate may be found on the City of Vaughan’s Heritage Notice webpage: [Heritage Notices | City of Vaughan](#)

A full statement of the Cultural Heritage Value of this property may be obtained through linking to the original [Heritage Vaughan](#) report, dated April 24, 2024. You may also find the full report by visiting [Vaughan.ca](#) and searching for the meeting minutes.

ANY PERSON MAY, within thirty (30) days of the first publication of this Notice, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the Corporation of the City of Vaughan, a notice of objection to the proposed designation together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts, on or before 4:30 p.m. **October 18, 2024** to be sent by registered mail or dropped off in person to:

Office of the City Clerk, City of Vaughan  
2141 Major Mackenzie Drive West  
Vaughan, ON L6A 1T1

Objections can also be submitted via email at: [clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:clerks@vaughan.ca) If a notice of objection is received, the Clerk will refer the matter to the City of Vaughan Council for reconsideration.

Dated at Vaughan this **18th day of September 2024**

**Todd Coles**, City Clerk