

# LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATION FORM

## VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE, NEW YORK

Village of Williamsville Historic Preservation Commission

Your name: n/a Telephone: (716) 632-4120 Date: 9/26/19  
Your address: c/o Village of Williamsville, 5565 main St, Williamsville 14221  
Organization (if any): Village of Williamsville Historic Preservation Commission

### A. PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION

1. Building's Address: 211-215 S Cayuga Rd
2. Building's Current Name: \_\_\_\_\_
3. All of Building's historic/common names, if known:  
George & Catherine Zent Farmhouse SBL #: 80.08-5-56  
81.09-1-14.1
4. Present owner & address: Robert & Julia Anain  
(List all owners of record 215. South Cayuga Rd, Williamsville ny 14221  
and their addresses - \_\_\_\_\_  
use additional sheet, if \_\_\_\_\_  
necessary) \_\_\_\_\_

### B. PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION

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|--|--|---------------------|--|
| Category:                                    | Ownership:   | Use of Property:    | Please note "H" for historic use, "C" for current use: |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private          | _____ agriculture   | _____ museum   |
| _____ site                                   | _____ public   | _____ commercial    | _____ park   |
| _____ district                               |  | _____ educational   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence  |
| Status:                                      | Accessibility:                                       | _____ entertainment | _____ religious  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied | _____ yes: restricted                                | _____ government    | _____ scientific                                       |
| _____ unoccupied                             | _____ yes: unrestricted                              | _____ industrial    | _____ transportation                                   |
| _____ work in Progress                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> exterior visible | _____ military      | _____ other: _____                                     |
|  | _____ from public road                               |                     |  |
|  | _____ interior accessible                            |                     |  |

### C. PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

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|-------------------------|---|-------------------|----------------------|
| 5. Building material(s) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> clapboard | _____ stone       | _____ stucco         |
|                         | _____ shingles                                | _____ cobblestone | _____ board & batten |
|                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> brick     | _____ logs        | _____ other: _____   |

6. Structural System: (if known)
- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> wood frame: heavy timber   | <input type="checkbox"/> plank                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> wood frame: light members  | <input type="checkbox"/> metal (explain _____) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> masonry load-bearing walls | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> log                        | <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____          |

7. Condition/ Integrity
- |   |                                       |   |   |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated | Check one: <input type="checkbox"/> unaltered | Check one: <input type="checkbox"/> original site |
| <input type="checkbox"/> good                 | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins        | <input type="checkbox"/> altered              | <input type="checkbox"/> moved                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair                 | <input type="checkbox"/> unexposed    |   | date: _____                                       |

List major alterations and dates (if known): 1932 - Built before this date, except brick clad porch at SW corner of building. The barn with L-shaped footprint also existed by this date. 1988 - Sidewalks. 1994 - Driveway installed at rear of property.

Source of this information: Historic Resource Inventory Form, prepared by Flynn Battaglia as part of Intensive Level Survey of Historic Resources - South Cayuga Rd Corridor

8. Threats to Building:
- |  |                                      |  |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> none known | <input type="checkbox"/> development | <input type="checkbox"/> deterioration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> zoning                | <input type="checkbox"/> roads       | <input type="checkbox"/> fire          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> other/comments: _____ |                                      |  |

9. Related outbuildings and property post
- |  |   |                                  |                                   |
|--|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> barn | <input type="checkbox"/> carriage house | <input type="checkbox"/> shop    | <input type="checkbox"/> well     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> garage          | <input type="checkbox"/> greenhouse     | <input type="checkbox"/> gardens | <input type="checkbox"/> other    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> shed            | <input type="checkbox"/> privy          | <input type="checkbox"/> stables | <input type="checkbox"/> hitching |
| <input type="checkbox"/> stone wall      | <input type="checkbox"/> carriage Step  |                                  |                                   |

Landscape features: hitching post, carriage post along driveway  
 Other: former chicken coop adjacent to barn

10. Surroundings: (check all that apply)
- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> open land           | <input type="checkbox"/> densely built-up | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> residential |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> woodland | <input type="checkbox"/> commercial       | <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> scattered buildings | <input type="checkbox"/> industrial       | _____   |

11. Interrelationship of building and surroundings: The home is set back slightly from the street on a wooded lot that is approximately twice as deep and twice as wide as adjacent lots to the north, but is apparently the remnant of a large farm that was sold off over time. The land slopes downward from the street to a large lawn at the rear of the lot. A barn and former chicken

12. Other notable features of building and site (i.e., style, detail, interior features if known): Two-story Greek Revival style farmhouse with gable roofed wings. One-story front porch. Foundation primarily concrete block. Exterior walls primarily clapboard. Roofs are asphalt shingled. Most windows are original wood sash. Brick chimneys. Assumed original shutters. The barn has L-shaped footprint, intersecting gable roofs, old wood windows, a both board and batten siding and horizontal clapboards.

coop located to the rear of the house.

**D. SIGNIFICANCE**

Period: Areas of Significance – Check and justify below

- |   |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric          | <input type="checkbox"/> archaeology             | <input type="checkbox"/> education                             |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1699            | <input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric             | <input type="checkbox"/> engineering                           | <input type="checkbox"/> politics/<br>government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799            | <input type="checkbox"/> archaeology             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> exploration/<br>settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> religion                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1849            | <input type="checkbox"/> historic                | <input type="checkbox"/> industry                              | <input type="checkbox"/> science                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1850-1899 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture  | <input type="checkbox"/> invention                             | <input type="checkbox"/> sculpture               |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1919 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> landscape                             | <input type="checkbox"/> social/<br>humanitarian |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1920-1941 | <input type="checkbox"/> art                     | <input type="checkbox"/> architecture                          | <input type="checkbox"/> theater                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1942-1950            | <input type="checkbox"/> commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> law                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation          |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> literature                            | <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)         |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> community planning      | <input type="checkbox"/> military                              |  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> conservation            | <input type="checkbox"/> music                                 |  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> economics               |  |  |

13. List the following and your source(s) of information:

Date of initial construction: c. 1850  
 Architect, if known: unknown  
 Builder, if known: unknown

14. Historical and architectural importance: Referring to the criteria set forth in the Village Preservation Ordinance (§47-4), list those that apply and explain how the property meets those criteria. (Check all that apply):

- (1) Is associated with the lives of individuals or of people or of events significant in the national, state or local history.
- (2) Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, a period or a method of construction.
- (3) Represents the work of a master architect or designer or possesses high artistic value.
- (4) Represents a significant or distinguished entity whose components may lack individual or special distinction.
- (5) Because of a unique location or singular physical characteristic, represents an established and familiar visual feature of the neighborhood.

Home has very high integrity and appears to have individual significance as a remaining early farmhouse representing the agricultural era early in the history of the Town of Amherst (historically, the farm fell outside of village boundaries), thus individually meeting local landmark criteria 1 and 3.

15. Please attach any additional material which might be useful in considering the site for landmark Designation, i.e., copies of newspaper clippings, magazine articles, old photographs, etc. Photocopies are acceptable. Please be advised that no materials can be returned.

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16. Sources of information:

Intensive Level Survey of Historic Resources  
South Cayuga Road Corridor  
Williamsville, New York  
December, 19 2017

17. Photographs required:

Current views  
Minimum size 4"x6"  
Color prints  
Two (2) sets of each photograph  
Include all exterior views (front, back, sides), showing complete elevations of all structures  
To be considered.

18. Map required:

Obtain from the Village Building Department a location map and mark the property's location on this map. If more than one building is being considered on a property, or the property has Notable landscape features, include a sketch plot plan of the property noting these buildings and/ or features. Provide property survey if possible as well.

Kate Waterman Kulp, Chair Williamsville HPC 9/26/19.  
Signature of Applicant Date



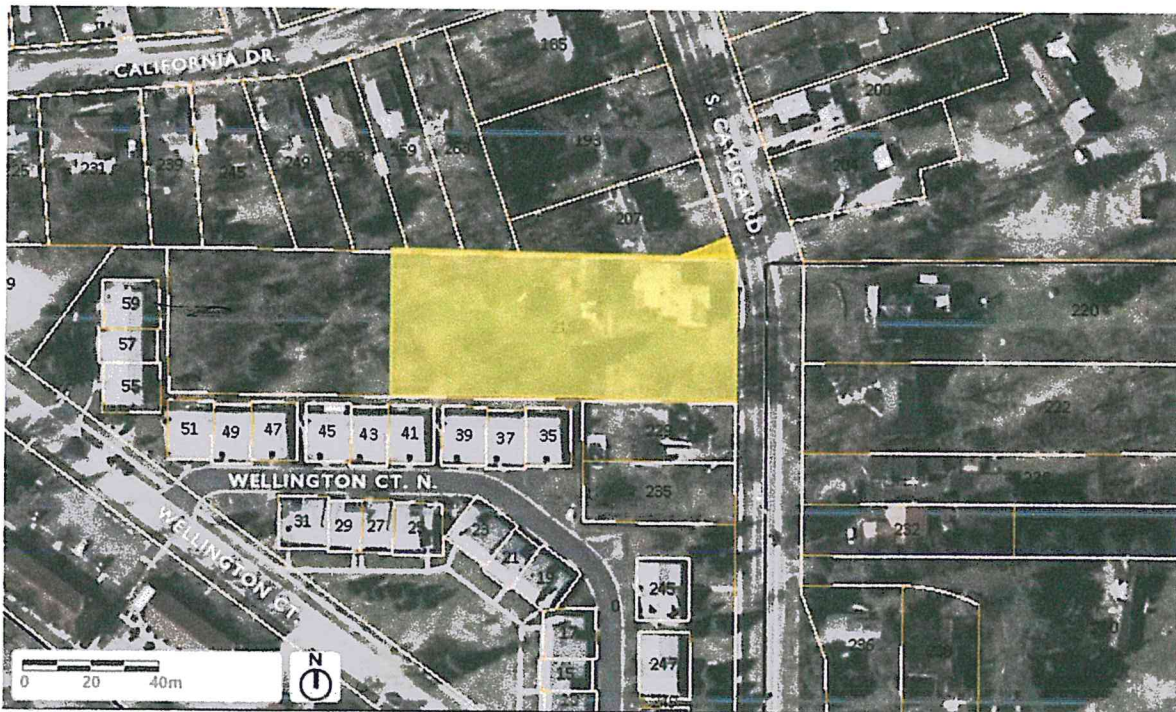
**Photo #1:** Overview looking west



**Photo #2:** Rear side of house, looking northeast



**Photo #3:** Barn and former chicken coop at rear of property



**Map #1:** Erie County tax map showing location of 211-215 S. Cayuga Rd. 215 S. Cayuga is the primary lot, whereas 211 is the small triangular sliver at the top right corner of the property.

211-215 S. Cayuga Rd. (George & Catherine Zent Farmhouse) -  
BUILDING CHRONOLOGY DIAGRAM

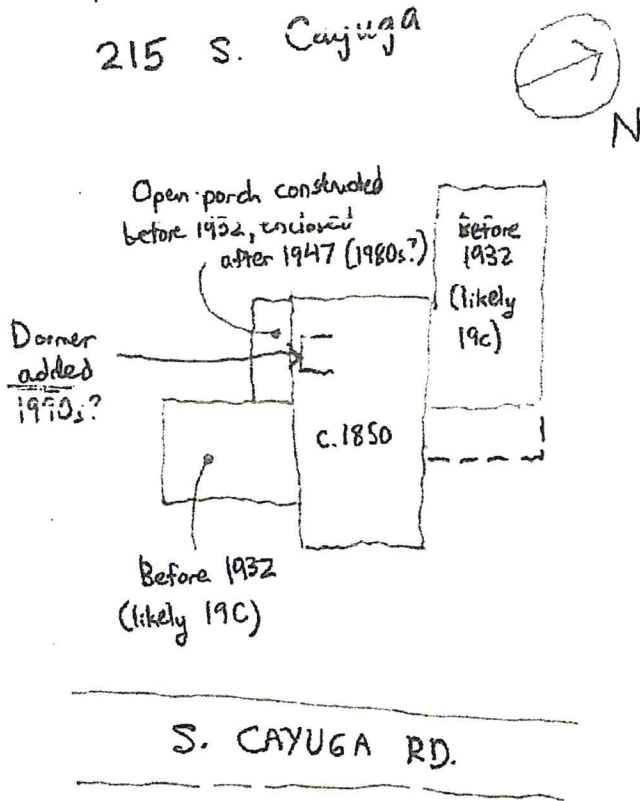


Image #1: Building Chronology Diagram