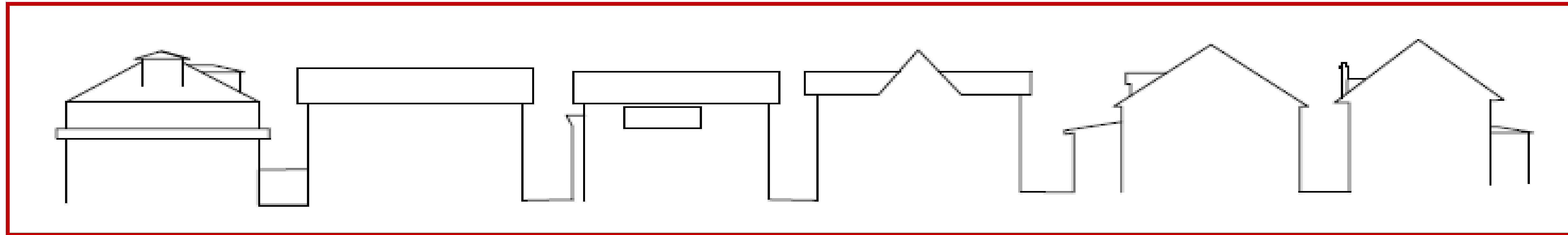






# Thomas Streetscape Development

Thomas Street was surveyed in 1853 and 1854 by Chisholm Miller. This neighbourhood west of Main Street North was known as the Washington Block. This block area includes a blend of mid-19<sup>th</sup> to mid-20<sup>th</sup> century single-detached residences on large, heavily treed lots. The Bristol Place site along Thomas Street contained four single-detached residences that were constructed between the 1860s-1880s, in Ontario vernacular styles with local design influences. Ontario vernacular buildings make use of local forms and materials and may have limited architectural influences from one style or numerous styles.



The former residences at 34 and 44 Thomas Street contained Italianate design influences including bay windows, tall narrow windows, and decorative woodwork. Italianate was a popular architectural style in Ontario between 1850 and 1900, in both residential and commercial properties. It is characterized by hip roofs, cupolas, ornate brackets, segmental arch windows, and deep projecting eaves.



*44 Thomas Street*



*34 Thomas Street*



The former 44 Thomas Street property contained a one storey outbuilding with a unique clinker brick exterior. Clinker bricks are produced when wet clay bricks are exposed to excessive heating during the firing process. The intense heat creates hard durable bricks that can be twisted into volcanic shapes and textures.



*44 Thomas Street Outbuilding*

