






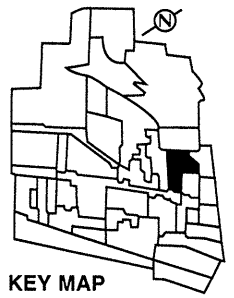


# Character Area 9 Rosemount

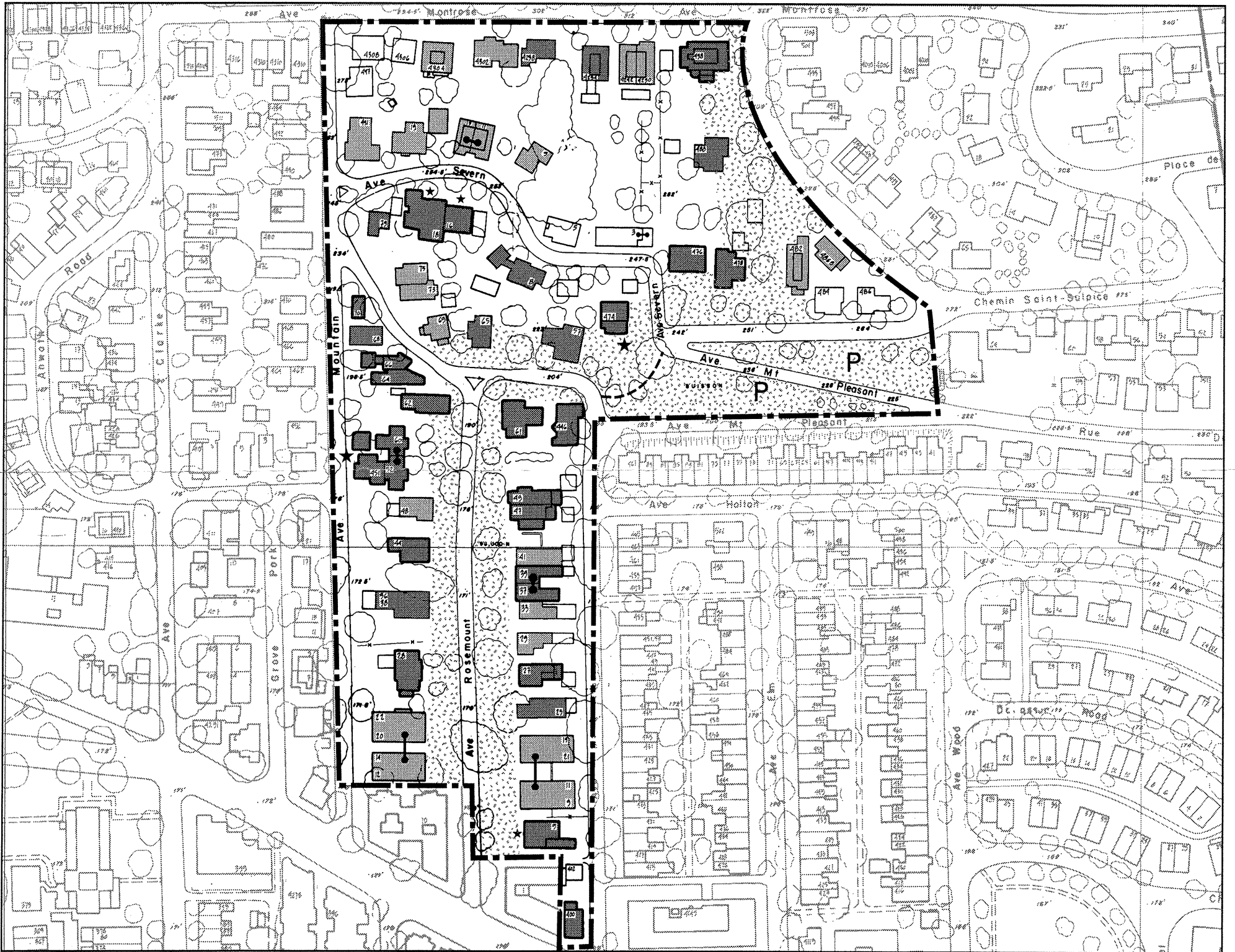
It is in this area, which has been described as "The Cradle of Westmount," where the idea of the independent village probably originated (around 1874). The presence of several exceptional late 19th and early 20th Century houses, the predominance of the natural landscape, the low density, and the considerable street setbacks on Rosemount and Montrose make this area one of the most desirable in Westmount.

### LEGEND

-  **Category I**  
Exceptional (★) to Important
-  **Category II**  
Significant
-  **Category III**  
Neutral
-  **Architectural Ensembles**
-  **Buildings profiled in the 1988 Westmount Heritage Study**
-  **Public Green Space**
-  **Semi-private or private Green Space of importance**



Area Heritage Value: HIGH  
Degree of Homogeneity: MEDIUM



### List of Building Addresses with Categories

Cat	Address	Cat	Address	Cat	Address	Cat	Address	Cat	Address	Cat	Address
	Montrose Ave., south side		Mount Pleasant Ave., west		Rosemount Ave., east side		Rosemount Ave., west side		Rosemount Cres., north side		Severn Ave., north side
II	4290	I	400	I*	5	II	12	I	57	III	1
II	4292	III	402	II	9	II	14	I	65	III	3
I	4294	I	446	II	11	II	20	II	69	III	5
I	4298	I*	474	II	19	II	22	II	73	II	9
II	4302	I	476	II	21	II	26	II	75	II	11
II	4304	I	478	I	25	I	36	I	79	II	15
III	4306	II	482	I	27	I	44	I	Rosemount Cres., south side	II	17
III	4308	III	484	II	29	II	48	I	64	II	19
	Mountain Ave., east side	III	486	II	33	I	52	I	66	I	Severn Ave., south side
II	447	II	486B	I	37	I	60	I	68	I	8
II	449	I	488	II	39	I	62	I	70	I*	16
I*	451	I	498	II	41					I*	18
II	491			I	47						
III	497			I	49						
					61						

## Defining characteristics of Character Area 9 Rosemount

The following are some of the *key defining characteristics* applying to the whole area.

**Use and typology:** All buildings are either detached (55%) or semi-detached (44%) single family houses.

**Heights and frontages:** Almost all buildings are two (53%) or two-and-a-half (36%) storeys high (except on Mount Pleasant and Mountain Avenues). Generally, the building frontages for semi-detached houses are 6.5 - 8.5 m wide, while for the detached ones, they are 10.0 - 15.0 m wide.

**Roofs:** Almost all buildings have either true or decorative sloped roofs (pavilion, mansard, side or front gable, multi-gable, false mansard, etc) and are generally of substantial pitch. These are almost always articulated by gable projections, dormers, and/or brick chimney stacks.

**Facade materials:** The facades are generally in brick, the remainder are mostly in rusticated greystone. Several stucco houses are also present.

**Entrances conditions:** The entrances are almost always at the front, the heights of which vary considerably. They are reached by steps, either attached to the main building or part of the landscaping where embankments occur (Severn, Rosemount Crescent).

**Facade treatments:** The facades are generally articulated by bay windows, wall protrusions as well as wooden porticos and portals. Decorative features such as dentiled eaves and cornices, brick patterns and corbelling, stone inlays, mouldings and carvings are generally present.

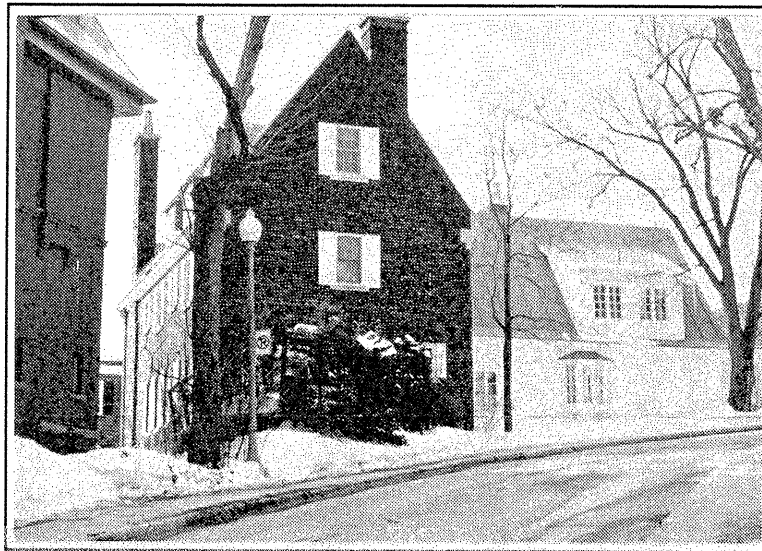
**Windows:** Windows are almost always vertical although the openings are generally horizontally proportioned and accommodate two or more windows.

**Parking:** All properties have on-site parking, almost always at the rear, in garages which are reached either from the front or the rear (see Rosemount Avenue).

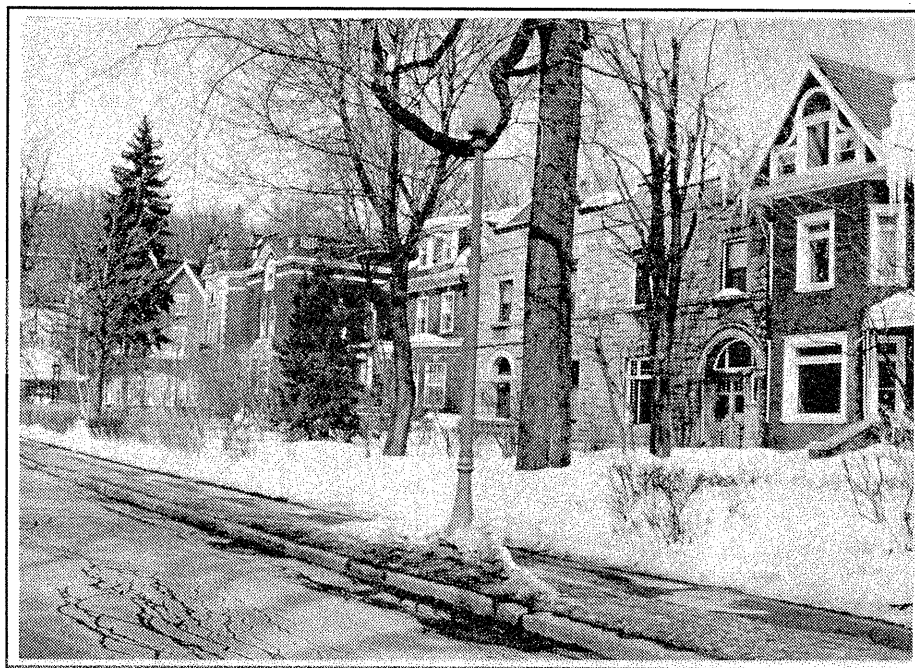
The following are *defining characteristics* of specific *streetscapes* in addition to those of the whole character area unless otherwise noted.

**Rosemount:** All buildings are parallel to the street. On the east side they are virtually all at least 14.0 m from the streetline and on the west side almost three-quarters are at least 15.5 m from the streetline, thus creating on each side a wide corridor of green space delineated by hedges at the street. There is almost no car entry from the street as all lots extend to other streets which provide access to garages and parking spaces.

**Mount Pleasant and Mountain Avenues below Rosemount Crescent:** The buildings are garages (generally one storey high) and the backs of houses fronting on Rosemount Avenue.



*Rosemount Crescent, south side: houses with sloped roofs sited close to the street.*



*Rosemount Ave.: large setbacks, greenery, and hedges at the front.*