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NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF the Ontario Heritage Act,
R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18 s. 29(3)

AND IN THE MATTER OF the lands and premises municipally
known as 285 Bradford Street,
in the City of Barrie, County of Simcoe

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Corporation of the City of Barrie, intends to designate the Allandale Station building municipally known as 285 Bradford Street, Barrie, in the Province of Ontario, in accordance with the Ontario Heritage Trust Easement, as a building of architectural and/or historical value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18 s. 29(3).

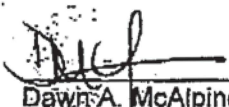
REASON FOR THE PROPOSED DESIGNATION

Allandale Railway Station Building, 285 Bradford Street

The buildings located on the land described as Part of the North Half of Lot 8, Concession 14, formerly Township of Innisfil, now City of Barrie, designated as Part 3 on Plan 51R-29341 are part of the original Allandale Railway Station. The former Canadian National Railway's Allandale Station buildings represent the most prosperous period of railway activity in the Allandale-Barrie area since rail connection was established in 1853. It is an illustration of the early 20th century corporate policy of the Grand Trunk Railway to increase profits and patronage by improving its real property, infrastructure, and customer service. The Allandale facility was acknowledged as the "flagship of the Grand Trunk" line when, in 1904-1905, two new frame buildings, a restaurant and passenger depot connected by outdoor covered passenger areas were designed by the Detroit firm of Spier and Rohns and added to the existing brick office building. Allandale was a vital transportation link in the north-south corridor of south central Ontario, and in the Grand Trunk Railway's northern Ontario and western Canadian operations. In 1922, Canadian National Railways assumed ownership and continued operations at Allandale until the mid-1990s. The red brick building was last used as a passenger waiting room for VIA Rail, and by GO Transit briefly in the early 1990's. All passenger rail operations ceased and the tracks were removed from the front of the station buildings in the late-1990s. The cultural heritage value and interest of the Allandale Station building resides in its picturesque massing, composition, height, unified profile of its elevations, residential scale, Italianate style detailing, orientation, and its visual and symbolic identity within the Allandale and larger Barrie community.

Notice of objection to the proposed designation, together with a Statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts may be served on the Clerk of The Corporation of the City of Barrie, before the 19th of July, 2009. Further information respecting the proposed designation is available from the Municipality.

Dated at Barrie, this 11th day of June, 2009.


Dawn A. McAlpine, City Clerk