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The Corporation Of The City Of Brampton

Administration and Finance Department

1983 10 27

Ontario Heritage Foundation
Ministry of Culture and Recreation and
Heritage Administration Branch
77 Bloor Street East
Toronto, Ontario
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Dear Sirs:

Re: Designation of certain properties
within the City of Brampton

In accordance with the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act R.S.O. 1980, enclosed is a copy of by-law No. 264-83 passed September 26th, 1983, to designate the McMurphy Powerhouse as a property of historical and architectural value and interest.

This by-law was registered in the Land Registry Office for the Registry Division of Peel (No. 43) on October 7, 1983 as Instrument No. 659994.

For your information please.

Yours truly

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R.A. Everett", written over a horizontal line.

R.A. Everett
Director of Administration
and City Clerk

RAE:nm
Encl.



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BRAMPTON

BY-LAW

Number 264-83

To designate the McMurchy Powerhouse
as a property of historical and
architectural value and interest

WHEREAS section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act (R.S.O. 1980, chapter 337, as amended) authorizes the Council of a municipality to pass by-laws designating properties within the municipality to be of historic or architectural value or interest;

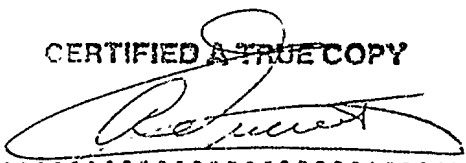
AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Brampton has given notice of its intention to so designate the property known as the McMurchy Powerhouse located on the northwest corner of Embleton Road and Mississauga Road in Brampton, in accordance with the requirements of section 29(3) of the said Act;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection has been served upon the Clerk of The Corporation of the City of Brampton within the time limited for so doing, as set out in section 29(5) of the said Act;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the City of Brampton ENACTS as follows:

1. The property known as the McMurchy Powerhouse and described in Schedule A to this by-law is hereby designated to be a property of historic and architectural value and interest.

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY

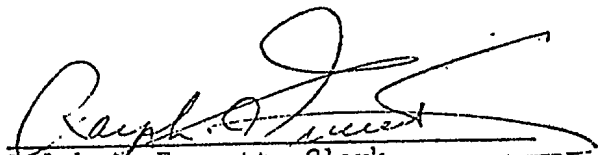

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City Clerk
City of Brampton
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2. The reasons for the designation are set out in Schedule B to this by-law.

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD TIME and PASSED in Open Council
this 26th day of September, 1983.



Kenneth G. Whillans, Mayor


Ralph A. Everett, Clerk

SCHEDULE A

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the City of Brampton, in the Regional Municipality of Peel (formerly in the Township of Chinguacousy, in the County of Peel) and being composed of part of the East half of Lot 5, Concession 5, West of Hurontario Street designated as Part 1 according to a plan of survey deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Registry Division of Peel (No. 43) as number 43R-11025.

SCHEDULE B

Developed in 1885 by J.O.Hutton, the Powerhouse generated 100 horsepower of hydro-electric power, which was considered an engineering phenomenon at the time.

The Powerhouse powered the woollen mill and also served as a power source for the Brampton area after Mr. Hutton built a 2200 volt line to this area. It powered the first outdoor lamp, which was in front of the Queen's Hotel. In 1886, it powered 18 additional outdoor lights.

The Powerhouse also supplied power to at least three Brampton factories.

The Powerhouse was purchased in 1903 by John McMurchy, who upgraded it to provide 500 horsepower. McMurchy continued to use the powerhouse as a source of electricity for his own industrial holdings until 1950, although a provincial source of hydro-electric power had become available as early as 1911.