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ADMINISTRATION
Legal Services Division

To: M. Seaman, Community Planner


Subject: Transfer of Historical Radial Railway Bridge Abutment to
Town of Aurora from Service Corporation (Canada) Limited

From: Janet Van Scheyndel, Law Clerk

Date: October 31, 2006

On March 9, 2006 the Town acquired certain lands containing the above-noted heritage feature (Part of Lot 76, Con. 2, Part 2, 65R-27605, Aurora), from the developer pursuant to Schedule "C", Section 2.1 of the Commercial Site Plan Agreement dated September 28, 2004.

The associated Heritage Designation By-law 4850-06.R was enacted by Council on September 12, 2006 and has now been registered on title to the Town's lands (copy attached).


Janet Van Scheyndel, Law Clerk
Ext. 4743

Atts.

cc: B. Panizza, Town Clerk
R. Beaton, Permit Officer

The applicant(s) hereby applies to the Land Registrar.

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Properties

PIN 03644 - 0119 LT
Description PT LOT 76 CON 1 PT 2 65R27605 ; AURORA . T/W OVER PT LOT 76, CON 1, PT 4,
 65R27605 AS IN YR647353.
Address AURORA

Applicant(s)

This Order/By-law affects the selected PINs.

Name THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF AURORA
Address for Service 1 MUNICIPAL DRIVE, BOX 1000
 AURORA, ONTARIO, L4G 6J1

This document is being authorized by a municipal corporation Tim Jones, Mayor and Bob Panizza, Town Clerk, The Corporation of the Town of Aurora.

This document is not authorized under Power of Attorney by this party.

Statements

This application is based on the Municipality By-Law No. 4850-06.r dated 2006/09/12.

Schedule: See Schedules

Signed By

Janet Lynn Van Scheyndel	1 Municipal Drive, Box 1000 Aurora L4G 6J1	acting for Applicant(s)	Signed	2006 10 30
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Submitted By

TOWN OF AURORA	1 Municipal Drive, Box 1000 Aurora L4G 6J1	2006 10 30
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Fees/Taxes/Payment

<i>Statutory Registration Fee</i>	\$60.00
<i>Total Paid</i>	\$60.00

File Number

Applicant Client File Number : D11-11-04

**SCHEDULE "A" TO
BY-LAW 4850-06.R**

In the Town of Aurora in the Regional Municipality of York, property description as follows:

Concession 1E, Part Lot 7
Town of Aurora
Regional Municipality of York

**SCHEDULE "B" TO
BY-LAW 4850-06.R**

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Radial Railway Bridge Abutment, at 520 Industrial Parkway South was built in 1899 as part of a road bridge across Yonge Street for the historic Radial Railway Line. It is the last remaining reminder of the line that linked towns from Lake Simcoe to Toronto, and is recommended for designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act because of its cultural heritage value.

Description of Historic Place

The Radial Railway Bridge Abutment is a sturdy, tapered limestone Bridge Abutment, designed to hold the weight of a railway line, cars, and freight.

The property is recognized for its heritage value by the Town of Aurora Council which recommended designation of the Bridge Abutment under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act on September 12, 2006.

Heritage Value

The Radial Railway Bridge Abutment at 520 Industrial Parkway South has historical value in its connection to the Metropolitan Street Railway Company, which built its radial railway along Yonge Street, joining Newmarket and Aurora to Toronto. The bridge abutment is the only remaining piece of the radial railway in Aurora, built to support the radial rail line bridge that passed over the Grand Trunk Railway. This radial railway line eventually extended out to Lake Simcoe. The radial railway bridge was removed in 1922 with the construction of the Yonge Street underpass, although the railway continued to operate until 1930. The remaining radial railway tracks were torn up in 1931.

The heritage value and reasons for designation apply to the overall limestone Radial Railway Bridge Abutment.

Character defining elements

Key elements that embody the heritage character of the Radial Railway Bridge Abutment include:

- Overall rectangular form, slightly tapering at the top;
- Limestone blocks'
- Mortar;
- Foundation.

The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

By-law Number 4850-06.R

**BEING A BY-LAW TO
Designate a certain property
As being of Historic and/or
Architectural Value or Interest
"The Radial Railway Bridge Abutment
520 Industrial Parkway South"**

WHEREAS pursuant to Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S. O. 1990, Chapter o.18, the Council of a municipality is authorized to enact Bylaws to designate a real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the municipal council of the Corporation of the Town of Aurora has cause to be served on the owners of the lands and premises at:

520 Industrial Parkway South
Aurora, ON

and up on the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to designate the Radial Railway Bridge Abutment at 520 Industrial Parkway South and a statement of the reasons for the proposed designation, and further, has caused said notice of intention to be published in the Era Banner, being a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "B" attached hereto and form part of this By-law;

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF AURORA ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT the following real property, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this By-law is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest:

The Radial Railway Bridge Abutment
520 Industrial Parkway South
Town of Aurora
The Regional Municipality of York

2. THAT the Town solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" attached hereto at the property Land Registry Office.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 12th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2006.

READ A THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 12th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2006.


T. JONES, MAYOR


B. PANIZZA, TOWN CLERK

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