BY-LAW NUMBER 2009-144

A By-law of The Corporation of the City of Barrie to designate the property known municipally as 285 Bradford Street, Barrie as being of architectural and historical value or interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18 s. 28(3) authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural or historic value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Barrie adopted Motion 08-G-260 to designate the Allandale Station Building in accordance with the Ontario Heritage Trust Easement;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Barrie has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known municipally as 285 Bradford Street, Barrie and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, Notice of Intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in the newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality;

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

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the City of Barrie enacts the following:

1. THAT there is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest as set out in Schedule "B" attached, the real property known as 285 Bradford Street, Barrie and more particularly described on Schedule "A" attached hereto.

2. THAT the Municipal Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" in the land registry office.

3. THAT the City Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served on the owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in the newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.

4. THAT this by-law shall come into force and effect immediately upon the final passing thereof.

READ a first and second time this 10th day of August, 2009.

READ a third time and finally passed this 10th day of August, 2009.

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BARRIE

[Signature]

MAYOR – D. ASPDEN

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CITY CLERK – DAWN A. MCALPINE
Legal Description

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 which are part of the original Allandale Railway Station.
Reasons for Designation/Statement of Significance

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.

Heritage Attributes

OVERALL DESCRIPTION

The Allandale Station building is a complex consisting of three connected buildings of Italianate residential scale and inspiration: a frame, 1904-1905 passenger depot, a frame 1904-1905 restaurant and lounge, and a brick c. 1895 office building. These stand in a curved line along the traditional trackbed, separated from Kempenfelt Bay on Lake Simcoe by a roadway and a waterfront park.

The Station building has undergone such modifications as the removal of the tower from the passenger depot, reconfiguration of the north facades of the passenger depot and restaurant/lounge, overpainting of the intricate stenciled paint scheme, replacement of clay roof tiles with asphalt, and other physical changes. These modifications have not diminished the legibility of the Station building as the symbol of the role of the railway in the formation and development of the Allandale-Barrie community.

The cultural heritage value and interest of the Allandale Station building resides in its picturesque massing, tri-part composition, height, unified profile of its elevations, residential scale, Italianate style and other detailing, form, design, materials, orientation to the former trackbed and the Lake Simcoe shoreline, and its visual and symbolic identity within the Allandale and larger Barrie community. This is an atypical, visually unique station building within a railway related cultural heritage landscape.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION

The exterior of the Allandale Station building includes all original and/or historically significant components and materials such as, but not limited to, the framing, cladding (wood, brick, and masonry), columns, millwork, decorative elements, roof structure (low-pitched hipped roofs, wide eaves, brackets, curved soffits, etc.), doorcases (doors, glazing, transoms, casings, trim), window units (sash, sills, glazing, casings, trim), covered outdoor passenger areas, platform, builder's hardware, railway related infrastructure and/or technology, and paint finishes. This includes any historically significant physical components, materials, and treatments associated with the Station building and its site that may be reinstated.

INTERIOR DESCRIPTION

The interior of the Allandale Station building includes all original and/or historically significant components and materials such as, but not limited to, the framing, colonnette units, wainscoting/dado, window units (sash, sills, glazing, casings, trim), decorative elements, millwork, ceilings (including arched stretched beams, ceiling heights, cornice), floors, walls, plasterwork, doorcases (doors, glazing, transoms, casings, trim), ticket windows, railway related infrastructure and/or technology, floor plans and legibility of assigned functions, builder's hardware, paint finishes, chimneys, and fireplaces. This includes any historically significant physical components, materials, and treatments associated with the Station building that may be reinstated.