

Real Estate Advice and Strategy Report

Project Description:

HSAL provided professional planning advice to the Ontario Realty Corporation (ORC) on the future use of an ±86 acre parcel of land commonly referred to as the “Hamilton Psychiatric Hospital Lands.”

HSAL initiated this assignment by reviewing the technical studies (environmental, archaeological, cultural and heritage) that had previously been undertaken and by completing a comprehensive site visit of the former hospital campus to better our understanding of the site’s unique setting, history, physical characteristics, built form and surrounding land uses. HSAL also reviewed provincial, regional and municipal planning policies and met with municipal staff to learn more about the opportunities and constraints of alternative development and redevelopment scenarios.

Recognizing the historical significance of the site, HSAL worked with ORC’s Accommodation Team to review an inventory and physical assessment of the existing buildings and heritage structures on-site to determine the social, economic and cultural value of maintaining and repairing the existing built form. HSAL prepared a “Real Estate Advice and Strategy Report” for ORC to present to the Ministry of Public Infrastructure Renewal (PIR) for consideration.



Client: Ontario Realty Corporation

Location: Hamilton, Ontario

Year: 2007

Services:

- Land-use Planning
- Policy Analysis
- Real Estate Advice

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