

**TE 32.3 & TE 32.4 The Ontario Wind Engine and Pump Company Building
25 - 35 Liberty Street, 65 Jefferson Ave.
Jack Gibney, Sunnyside Historical Society. 2018-05-01**

Why Are We Here So Late?

We have tried Everything we could think of to reopen this for over a year:

[Sunnyside Historical Society published an article April 21, 2017:](#)

[Our Petition of April 2017 gained 903 signatures in support of heritage.](#)

We spoke with two Councillors in the Spring 2017.

[The Toronto Preservation Board Recommended a Heritage Study before development. SHS Report April 18, 2018.](#)

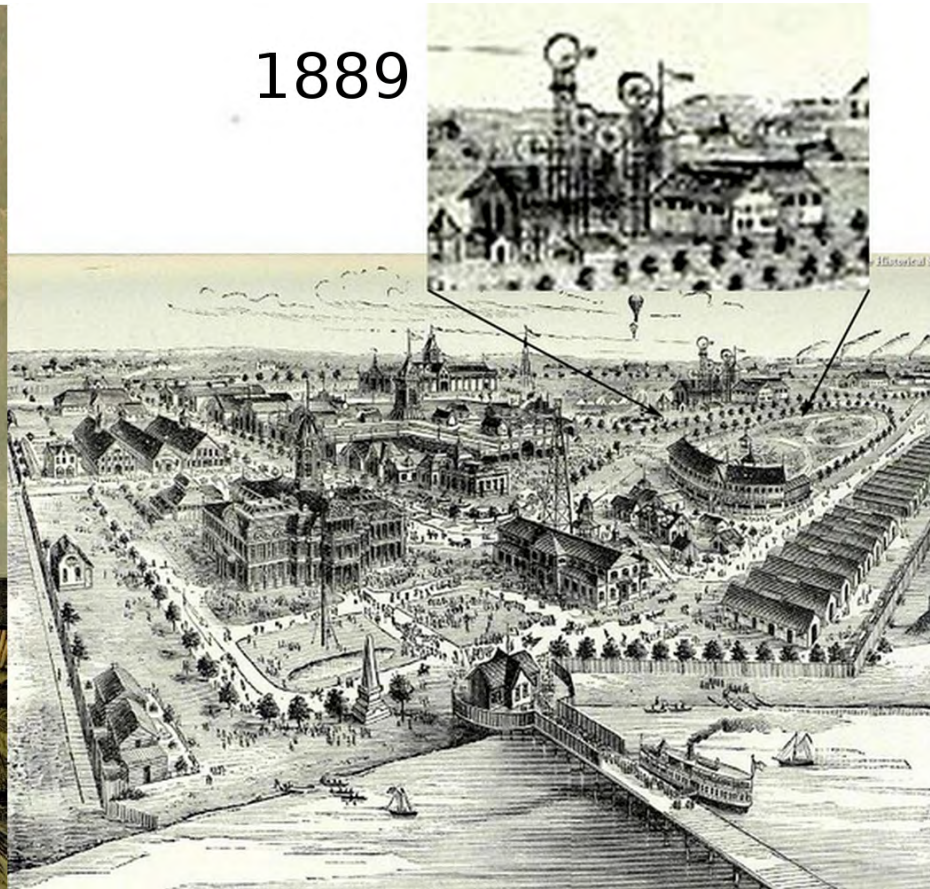
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Will we evaluate this Heritage?



Why Is This Important Heritage?

In 1834 Wind was the most powerful industrial force in Ontario. In 1889 Wind energy was the most prominent display at the Toronto Industrial Exhibition. Today we look towards wind for future clean energy. This heritage will become more valued as wind takes on a bigger role in our future.

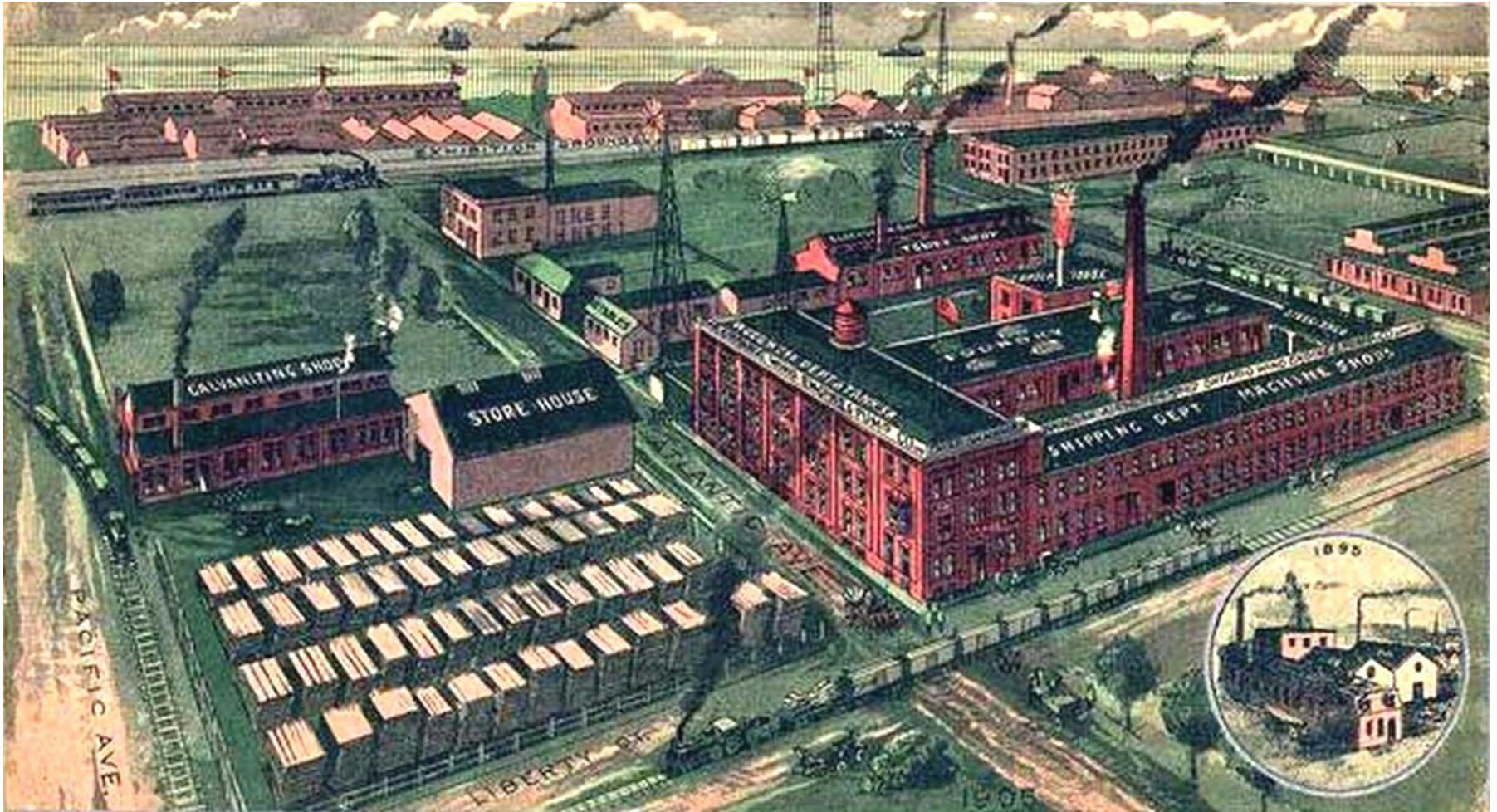


Liberty Street replaces a Native Trail, shown on the 1818 Phillpotts Map. Paths are in black while streams and the lake are drawn in blue and overlaid on a current map below. There is also a large clearing, shaded brown, just north west of the block which is outlined in red. This area has been a centre of trade and innovation, connected by trails to all Ontario, for up to 5,000 years. We have drained the seasonal stream that ran through our site and we straightened the street.



What Are We Asking For?

This is what the building still looks like under the Stucco, with some further development of 65 Jefferson. This 1905 Head Office and factory is worth preserving.



The Developer's Attractive Proposal from 2017.



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This Is Our Vision.

With the Heritage buildings restored, the development completes the Heritage street. Inside, the restored post and beam factory with exposed brick could be connected to the lobby, creating a very sought after space. Concept illustration by Eric Charron.



Why Is This Viable Heritage”

Very recently someone removed a square of Stucco exposing viable foundation stone. The stucco appears to have been removed using a box cutter and straight edge.



The Heritage brick is still there on the North Elevation, looking great. Part of a Wind Engine remains on the roof.



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The detailed brick work of 65 Jefferson, shown below, rivals the east elevation at 35 Liberty, shown in the Developers image.



Rubble walls are available throughout the basement.



If the factory interior were cleared and dressed up it would produce high demand suites that could open onto a lobby or atrium.

The developer will reasonably need appropriate pedestrian access, north to Liberty Street.



Post and beam exposed at 65 Jefferson. This extends throughout the building



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We ask that you stop development until our Heritage Department can make a full report on this valuable Heritage, as recommended by the Toronto Preservation Board.

