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1. APPLICATION SUBMISSION AND RESPONSE TO CITY DOCUMENTS

This Design Brief supports a Site Plan Control Application for the property known municipally as 1195 Newmarket Street with the legal description of PT LT 26, CON 2OF, AS IN NS110679; OTTAWA/GLOUCESTER. The applicant wishes to construct a one storey 11,148 square metre warehouse building with the potential for 20 loading bays, 82 auto and 11 bicycle parking spaces. The proposal provides warehouse and distribution space to support the Ottawa economy.

1195 Newmarket Street is currently designated as an Urban Employment Area on Schedule B – Urban Policy Plan of the City of Ottawa Official Plan. It is proposed to be designated Traditional Industrial, Freight and Storage on Schedule B3 - Outer Urban Transect on the 2021 draft City of Ottawa Official Plan. The property is not subject to any design guidelines and the proposal complies with the City of Ottawa zoning bylaw.



2.1 Google Earth image



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2. CONTEXT PLAN

The proposed warehouse building is in Ottawa's industrial park at the intersection of Newmarket Street and Bantree Street. Its proximity to the offramp for highway 417 by way of Innes Road make it an excellent location for potential tenants seeking to optimize their transit times. Surrounding land uses are also zoned as IL - light industrial. Existing buildings in the vicinity are 1 or 2 storey buildings clad in masonry, metal siding or a combination of the two. A railway used by freight and passenger trains runs along the back of the site, while a small watercourse runs along the western limit. The site can also be accessed via public transportation by using the bus stop located just in front of the property or the bus stop on nearby Innes Road. Existing sidewalks allow pedestrians to safely access the site from the bus stops. The site is currently vacant as demolition of the previous building has already been completed.





3.1 Aerial view of the proposed building (300m radius)



3.2 Two storey neighbouring building on the West



3.3 One storey neighbouring building on the East



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3. SITE INTEGRATION



4.1 Proposed site plan



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3. SITE INTEGRATION (continued)

The proposed building will be positioned perpendicular to Newmarket Street with the main entrances to the building being on the East side and the loading docks on the West side, further away from Bantree Street. A new vehicular entrance was created East of Bantree and the existing truck entrance at the opposite side was modified to allow trucks to enter and exit safely. The loading docks were designed in a saw-tooth configuration as this requires less space for trucks to manoeuvre in and out of the dock area. A screen wall will conceal the view of the loading docks from the street. This screen wall will be a concrete and masonry wall, 10'-2" high. The top will align with the adjacent masonry wall of the building. Cars will use the entrance closest to Bantree Street to reach the parking area. The proposed curbs in the parking area were designed to also protect the neighbouring trees.

The building is offset towards the eastern property line to allow enough space behind the loading docks for trucks to manoeuvre and to respect the required setback from the existing watercourse. This offset of the building, with the vehicular traffic on either side, as well as the additional landscaping along Newmarket Street creates a favourable perspective of the building as one approaches the site from Bantree street.



5.1 View of the facade along Newmarket Street, as seen when approaching from Bantree street

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3. SITE INTEGRATION (continued)

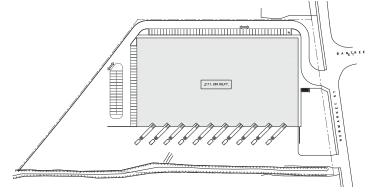
The back of the building follows the angle of the property line and adjacent railway. This creates additional square footage for potential tenants and creates a clean and uniform facade that train passengers will see as they pass the building.

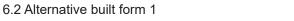
The topography of the site was modified to accommodate the requirements of the loading docks. To optimize the loading and unloading of the cargo trucks, the loading docks must be 1.2m (48 inches) from the exterior grade. This allows the truck bed to be level with the interior finished floor and increases the productivity of the warehouse.

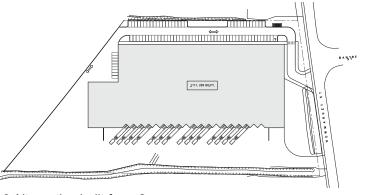
Alternative building forms were studied but were not retained for various reasons (see images 6.2 to 6.4 below). Different building footprints were looked at but they did not offer as much flexibility within the building space to attract potential tenants. The option of having straight loading docks was also studied, but this required a greater apron space for trucks to maneuver and therefore greatly reduced the building square footage.



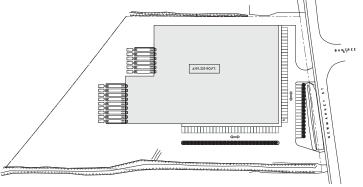
6.1 View of the main entrances on the Eastern facade as seen from the railway corridor.







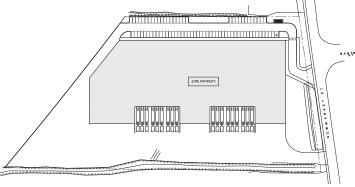
6.3 Alternative built form 2



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6.4 Alternative built form 3



6.5 Alternative built form 4

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4. PUBLIC REALM

The building integrates itself into the existing public realm by being similar in height to neighbouring buildings and by using similar materials. The building is one storey high with an overall height of approximately 11m (36 ft). The exterior cladding will be a combination of masonry and metal siding for the façade along Newmarket street and the Eastern façade where the main entrances are. The loading docks and the back of the building will be clad in metal siding that will tie into the rest of the building.

A generous amount of landscaping will be added along Newmarket Street to create a visually attractive street scape. The building setback from Newmarket Street along with the proposed landscaping creates a pleasant view along Newmarket Street. The sidewalk will be continued onto the site to safely direct pedestrians coming from nearby bus stops to the building. Bike racks are included in the parking lot design, in proximity to the street and the building main entrances.

A community pylon will be installed perpendicular to Newmarket Street to allow passersby to easily identify the building address and the various tenant logos. Tenants will also have the possibility to install their logo on the eastern façade, closer to their main entrance.



7.1 The building and site are designed at a human scale.



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5. BUILDING DESIGN

The building was designed to be visually attractive and functional. It uses different materials such as glazing, metal paneling, masonry, and corrugated metal to create elevations with different textures and tones. The Southern elevation along Newmarket Street is broken up using different materials so that it will not be one blank façade. A band of dark masonry creates a solid base on which sits a dark metal spandrel. This dark band continues to the East to become the canopies for the main entrances. The top portion of the façade is then clad in light grey metal panels, which also wrap around the two sides of the building. The panels are divided into a grid pattern, dictated by the window spacing on the Eastern façade. The façade along Newmarket Street is not symmetrical, with large windows on the Eastern side only, distinguishing which side of the building is dedicated to the warehouse and which side has the main entrances.



8.1 Facade along Newmarket Street as seen frim Bantree Street.



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The Eastern elevation, which has the main entrances to the building was designed to be flexible to accommodate one or multiple tenants. The windows and canopies are spaced evenly following the structural grid. Any of the canopies can become the main entrance for a tenant. This repetition is functional but also creates a pleasant rhythm to the façade.



9.1 East facade of building where the car parking and the tenants' main entrances will be.



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10.1 View of the main entrances. The repetitive pattern of the windows and canopies makes it very easy to subdivde the interior space.



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The Western elevation where the loading docks are was also designed to be flexible to meet the requirements of various tenants. The saw-tooth bays are spaced evenly and can each accommodate a loading dock or a man door if desired. An accent colour was chosen for the metal siding to distinguish this part of the building from the rest. This creates an element of interest when travelling along the railway corridor.



11.1 View of the loading docks as seen from Newmarket Street.



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The rest of the building will receive a metal cladding that ties into the rest of the building. Clear storey windows along the back elevation will provide natural light to the warehouse space and will create a more interesting view of the building from the railway. A vine will be added along the fence seperating the rail corridor to screen the lower portion of the building. The building is lit by wall sconces all around the building and some parking bollards ensure that the loading docks and parking area have enough light, without

overwhelming the neighbouring sites. The proposed building will incorporate several sustainability features to reduce its impact on the environment such as a reflective roofing membrane to reflect the sun's rays and therefore reduce the heat island effect, the use of LED lighting to reduce energy consumption and the use of low-E glass for windows to improve the energy efficiency of the building.



12.1 View of the loading docks as seen from the railway corridor.



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7. ANNEX

Adriana Del Chiappa

From: Ashkan Matlabi <Ashkan.Matlabi@cn.ca> on behalf of Proximity cn.ca>

Sent: May 4, 2021 3:36 PM **To:** Adriana Del Chiappa

Subject: 2021-05-04_CN_RES_1199 Newmarket - CN setbacks

Hello Adriana,

Thank you for consulting CN. No specific minimum setback, from the railway right-of-way, is recommended for warehouse use, if the office spaces are located on the opposite side of the building away from CN right of way. This must be illustrated in the architectural floor plans. There will not be any required safety berm if the building is used for ware housing proposes and no office space will be located at the rear section of the building. There cannot be any outdoor amenities for employees within the 60m of CN right of way if no safety berm is integrated in the site design.

Thank you and don't hesitate to contact me for any questions.

Regards

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15.1 Email received regarding required building setback along the railway corridor.



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