2 EPSOM ROAD

1.1. Property

Owner of property eThekwini Municipality allocated to ROYAL STOCK (SHI)

for Social Housing

Name of property St John Hall

Title deed number n/a

Cadastral description ERF 3405 & 3406

Street ADDRESS 2 Epsom Road Durban

GPS Co- ordinates S 29*50'59.9424" E 31*1'6.6468"

Local municipalityeThekwini MunicipalityDistrict municipalityeThekwini MunicipalityCurrent zoningGeneral Business (Central)Present useIllegally hijacked and derelict

Original date of 1931

construction

The property is bound by Epsom, Ingcuve Roads and First Avenue and an unnamed laneway, in central Durban. The building is listed on the *new* Heritage Register, no 464 as unconfirmed (NHRA Grade 11). The building is over 60 years old and falls under that legislative clause.

MOTIVATION St John's Hall @ Epsom

"Architecture-housing for all" is not just a tagline; it is a duty, a demand, and a commitment." Thomas Vonier, UIA President.

On a global scale, "Architecture, Housing for all" is a main axis of the 2019 New Urban Agenda of the current UN Sustainable Development Goals.

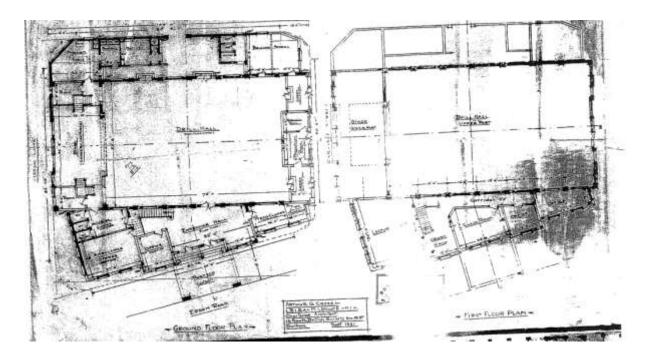
On a national/political scale, the spatial transformation of South African cities has hardly manifested under the new democratic government. Under Apartheid the poor were largely confined to the periphery of South African cities. They spend up to 40% of their wages on transport costs to work in the cities apart from wasting about two hours daily! This proposal by EThekwini plans to reverse this positively. Not only will families have more time together in a secure environment but it is proposed to have a preschool on site as well to reunite families. This will also release young mothers onto the job market. There are abundant work opportunities around the site, e.g. three private hospitals with a variety of public transport opportunities, apart from walking into the nearby CBD.

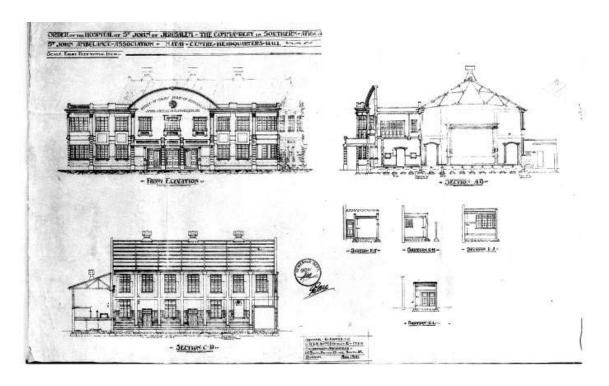
Economically it makes sense to develop a small 2265 sq.m. site to house about 250 families. Since these families have to be formally employed for tenure one can assume that they could be housed in a formal township and not in an informal area. In this case to house the same number would require 10ha of land compared to this proposal. It is therefore over forty times more efficient! More importantly, the road and all services already exist.

Finally, EThekwini Municipality's commitment to developing a "caring and liveable city" is the focal point of the 2019/20 IDP Review, with a specific emphasis on the alignment of the Municipal Vision, strategy and implementation. The focus of the five 2017/18–2021/22 IDP is on building a more inclusive developmental local government that would translate the Municipality's vision into action. This proposal is put forward to achieve this.

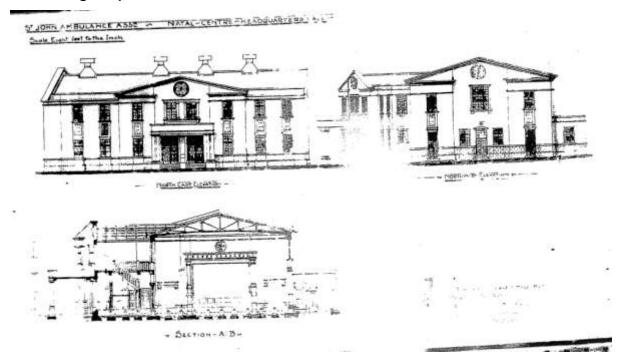
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1.2. Original plans Architect Arthur J Cross





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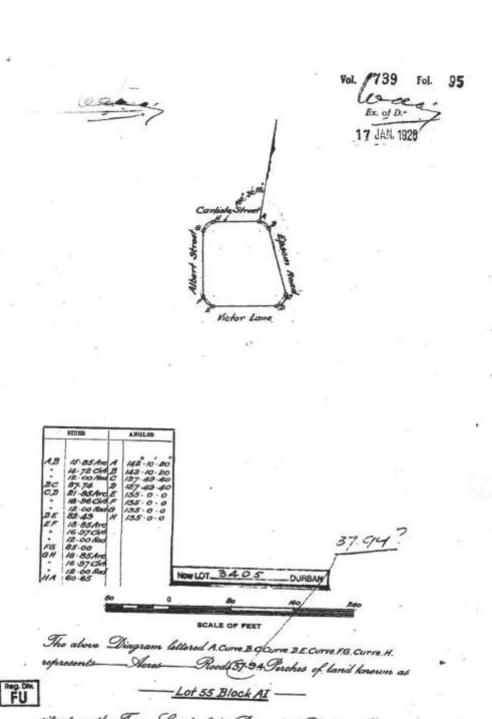


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1.2.1. Description of the building typology Exert from AMAFA submission 2019 /20







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