

JOHANNESBURG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY**HERITAGE ASSESSMENT SURVEYING FORM**

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NAME OF PLACE: JOHANNESBURG HOUSING CO. BUILDING

Photograph: Catharina JM Bruwer.

Above: The *Johannesburg Housing Company Building*, as seen from the southeast corner of Main and MacLaren Streets.

Previous/alternative name/s : Alliance Insurance Company Limited.
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LOCATION: Street : corner Main and MacLaren
Street number : 53 Main
: (51, 53 Main; 9 MacLaren)
Stand Number : 1154
Previous Stand Number:
Block number : BR
Suburb : Marshallstown
GIS reference :

ZONING: Current use/s :
Previous use/s :

DESCRIPTION OF PLACE:

Height :
Levels above street level :
Levels below street level :
On-site parking :

CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS:

Walls:

Roof:

Windows:

SITE FEATURES:**ALTERATIONS:**

No record found.

INTEGRITY:**INSCRIPTION:****ARCHITECT:****BUILDER:****CONSTRUCTION DATE:**

Date on plans :
Approval of plans :
Completion date :

The original plans and associated Application for Approval of Plans Form for the building could not be found.

BUILDING STYLE:

Post Modern Neo-Classical. 1980s.

BUILDING TYPE:

Office building.

ENVIRONMENT:**CONDITION:****URGENT ACTION:****SAHRA RECORD REGARDING ALTERATIONS, RENOVATIONS, RESTORATION:****PROTECTION STATUS:** (under National Heritage Resources Act, 1999)

General protection:	Section 34(1) structure/s	<input type="checkbox"/>
Formal protection:	provincial heritage site	<input type="checkbox"/>
	national heritage site	<input type="checkbox"/>
	provisional protection	<input type="checkbox"/>

heritage area	<input type="checkbox"/>
listed in provincial heritage resources register	<input type="checkbox"/>

Relevant Gazette Notice:

Gazette description:

FORMER PROTECTION STATUS: (under National Monuments Act, 1969)

NOTES:

DEEDS INFORMATION:

Original ownership:

PRE-HISTORY OF SITE:

HISTORY:

TOWNSHIP HOTEL

By 1954, the *Township Hotel* stood at 53 Main Street.

GENERAL NOTES:

Estimated cost of building	:
Estimated cost of drainage	:
Accommodation approved	:
Valuation at completion	:
Occupied	:

PREVIOUS TENANT/S:

CURRENT TENANT/S:

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ASSESSMENT OF CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

Historic Value:

- ☐ Associated with historic person, group or organisation
- ☐ Associated with historic event or activity

Architectural/Aesthetic value:

- ☐ Important example of building type
- ☐ Important example of a style or period
- ☐ Fine details, workmanship or aesthetics
- ☐ Work of a major architect or builder

Social/Spiritual/Linguistic value:

- ☐ Associated with social, spiritual, linguistic, economic or political activity
- ☐ Illustrates an historical period

Scientific/Technological value:

- ☐ Example of industrial, technical or engineering development/achievement
- ☐ New, rare or experimental building techniques

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