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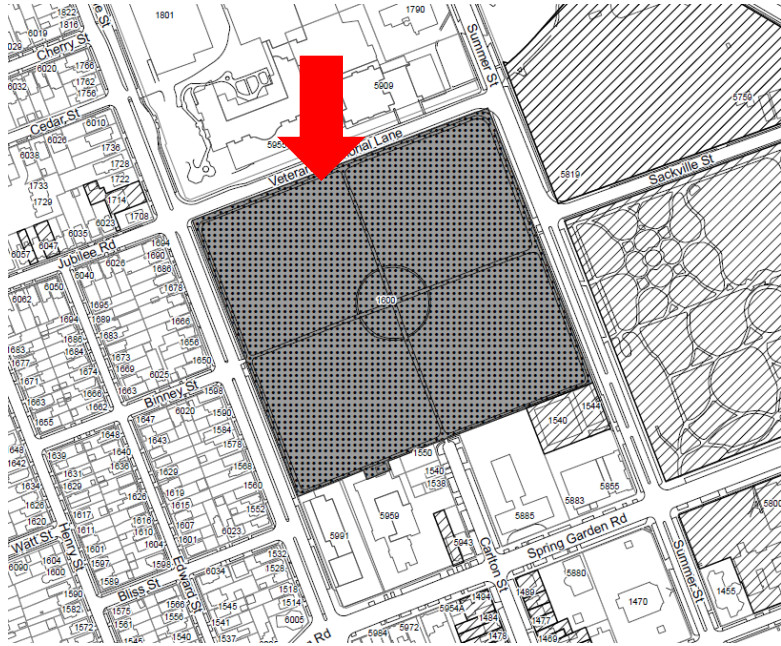
# **Heritage Advisory Committee: H00507**

Request to Include 1600 Summer Street in the Registry of  
Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality

28 July 2021

**Slide 1**

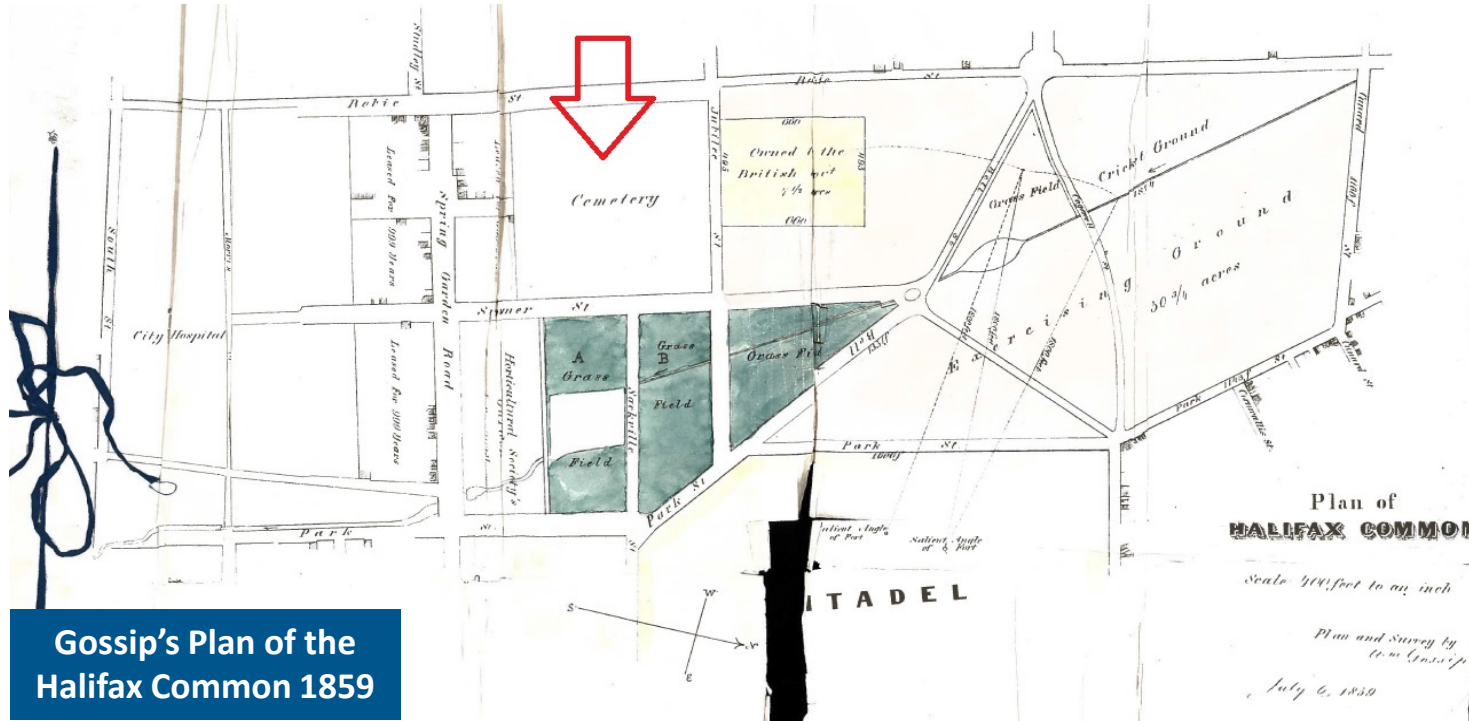
# Location



# HRM Registration Evaluation Criteria - Sites

Criterion	Maximum Score
1. Age of Site or Continuity of Use	25
2. Historical Importance	25
3. Degree of Intactness	10
4. Relationship to Surrounding Area or Community Value	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>70</b>

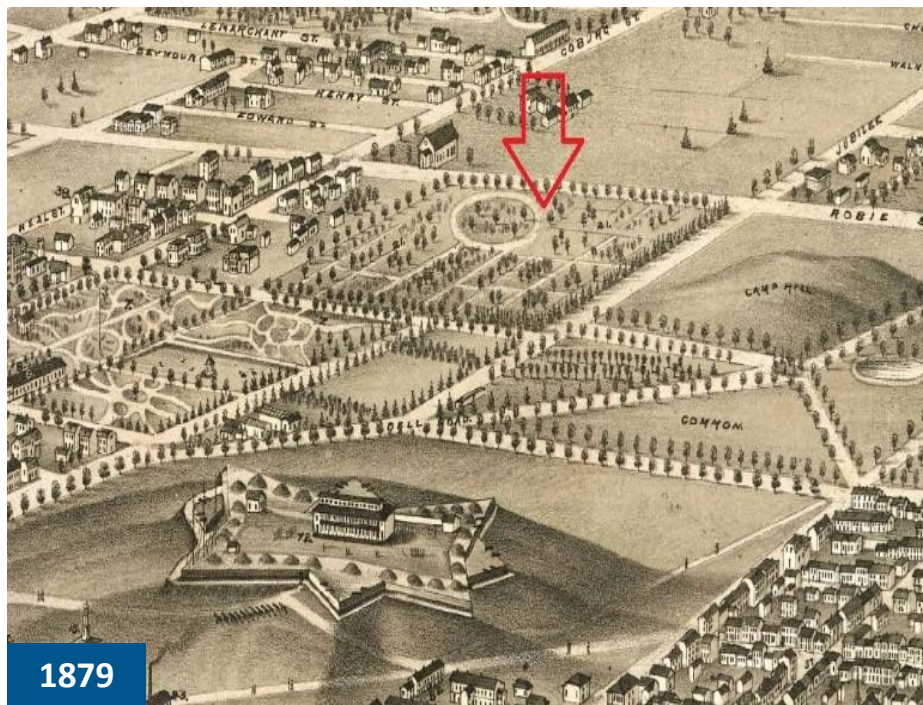
# 1. Continuity of Use



Gossop's Plan of the  
Halifax Common 1859



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Duration of Continue/Similar Function	Points
100+ Years	20-25
75-99 Years	15-19
50-74 Years	10-14

## 2. Historical Importance



- Camp Hill Cemetery was designed in the Rural Cemetery style, a movement that took place in the early to mid-19th century.
- Earliest known example of the Rural Cemetery style in Canada, followed by Mount Hermon Cemetery in Quebec City (1849) and Hamilton East Cemetery in Hamilton (1863)

# 2. Historical Importance

Character-defining elements of Camp Hill Cemetery include:

- Its representation of the Rural Cemetery Movement through its overall landscape design and features including mature tree canopy and horticultural plantings;
- Black iron ornamental fences and granite posts marking three entryways, originally designed by Starr Manufacturing Co.;
- The layout and configuration of the gravel pathways that traverse the site and connect three entryways to surrounding areas;
- Grave markers of various styles, designs and ages; and
- Pedestrian connectivity to other public open spaces of the Halifax Public Gardens National Historic Site and Wanderers Ground.



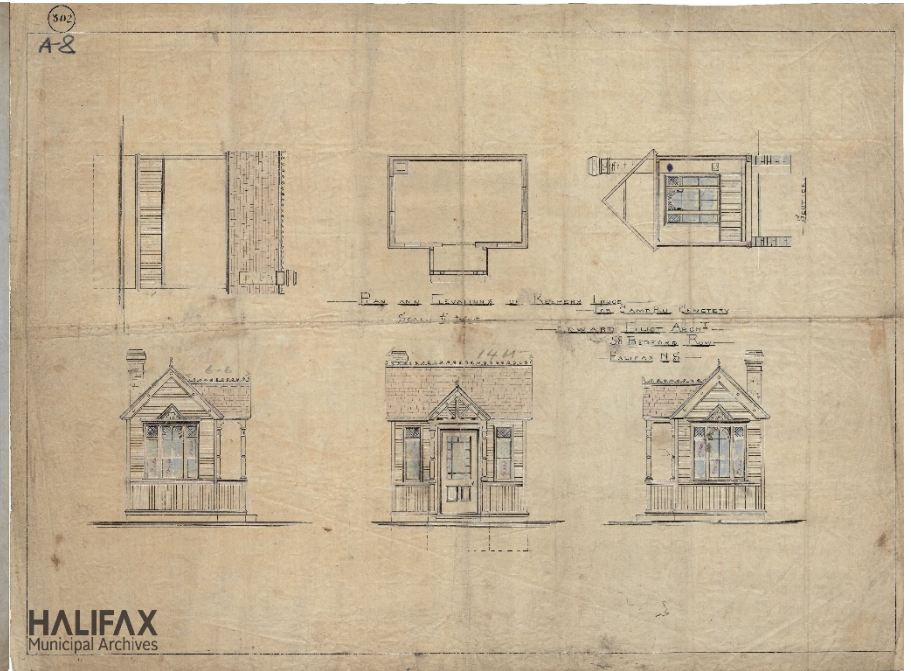
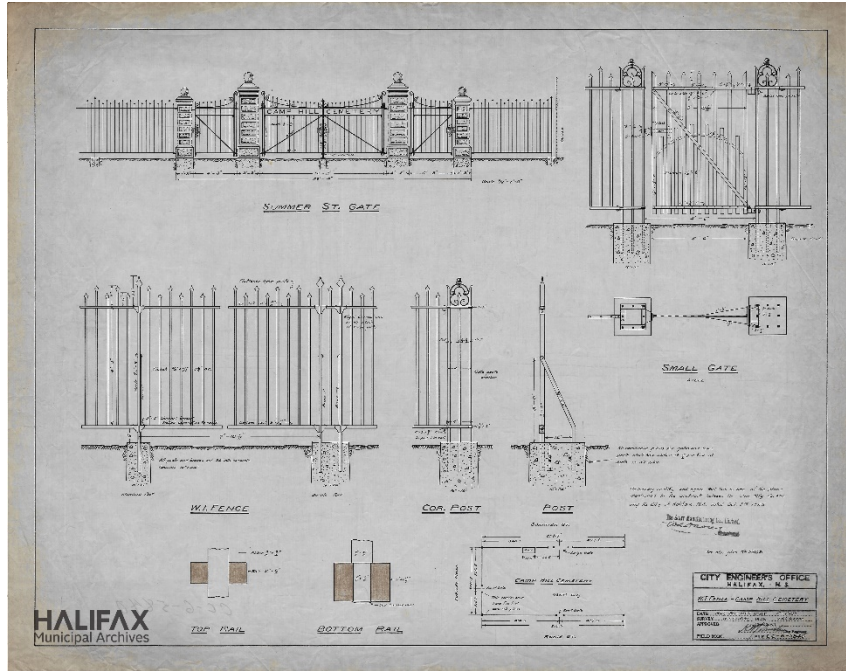
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- Historical associations with the thousands of people buried there
- Total number of internments cannot be confirmed; less fortunate and marginalized members of the public not always provided with grave markers
- Known graves include (but not limited to): Viola Desmond, Members of the No. 2 Construction Battalion, Joseph Howe, Sir William Young and Alexander Keith

Nationally	Points
Intimately Related	20-25
Moderately Related	15-20
Loosely Related	10-15



# 3. Degree of Intactness



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Points	Comments
6-10	Largely intact with presence of original features or structures
1-5	Moderately intact with vestiges of original features or structures



# 4. Community Value



- Camp Hill Cemetery has historical, visual and physical associations with the rest of the Commons land.
- This includes the Public Gardens National Historic Site, Wanderers Grounds, Bengal Lancers site, Carlton Victorian Streetscape, Power Cottage and Victoria Park.

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- Importance not only as a place of a reflection and commemoration, but also a place of horticultural appreciation, passive park uses, and a pedestrian connection between the Commons land and adjacent neighbourhoods.
- The design of grave markers and landscape design sheds a light on Halifax's past social history, spiritual beliefs, and cultural values.

Points	Comments
6-10	The site is well documented in local history (written or oral)
1-5	The site is little known or not documented in local history



# Recommendation

Should 1600 Summer Street, Halifax, score 35 or more points on evaluation as a heritage site under the HRM heritage property program, the Heritage Advisory Committee recommends that Regional Council:

1. Set a date for a heritage hearing to consider the inclusion of the subject property in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality; and
2. Approve the request to include 1600 Summer Street, Halifax, in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality, as shown on Map 1, as a municipal heritage area under the Heritage Property Act.

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## Thank You Questions/Comments

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