



## NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

### 360 Main Street West

**TAKE NOTICE** that Grimsby Town Council, on October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 resolved to issue a Notice of Intention to Designate LT 1, Township Plan 492 ; GRIMSBY as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.

**The Reason** for the Notice of Intention to Designate is to recognize the physical, associative and contextual value that **360 Main Street West** contributes towards the Town of Grimsby's inclusive heritage.

#### **Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest**

The building is a unique, and representative example of a style. The dwelling at 360 Main Street West is built in the Colonial Revival style, featuring Edwardian elements. This style is an evolution of the Edwardian Classicism style. This style of building can be identified by having a nearly symmetrical and balanced facade, multiple storeys, porches, steeply pitched gable roof with dormers, and the use of clapboard and wooden shingle siding.

The dwelling at 360 Main Street West has all of these Edwardian details and more including the use of an interpretation of a Palladian window in the end gable walls, multi-pane upper sash's in the windows, large and symmetrical smooth red brick chimneys and a multi storey enclosed porch to the east. The multi storey enclosed porch most likely at one time was open, or partially open to the elements. The porch also features a flat roof, it is common to see flat roofs that are used for balconies on homes of the Edwardian era.

The property does displays a high degree of craftsmanship. The structure at 360 Main Street West was custom designed by the architecture firm J.H Daverman & Sons, from Grand Rapids Michigan. The notable architect constructed many high end homes, such as the Edwardian – Colonial Revival structure at 360 Main Street West. The architect is more widely known for being the first to market mail order house plans. The design of the plan books available at the time used many Colonial and classical elements. The home remains largely intact, with a large amount of surviving original material. This is a testament to the quality of work and materials used at the time of construction.

The historic dwelling has associations with a person and activity that is significant to the community. Harold Corwin Woolverton constructed the Edwardian Colonial revival residence at 360 Main Street West. Harold was the son of Edgar Judson Woolverton, and the grandson of Dr. Jonathan Woolverton. Harold was a well known fruit grower in Grimsby, in addition to growing fruit in Niagara, Harold and his wife Elizabeth owned orange groves in Redlands, California, this is where the couple would spend their winters. Harold is also responsible for the legacy of Dr. Solon Woolverton's gate, which was located behind the West Lincoln Memorial Hospital. When Dr. Solon Woolverton was practicing medicine on James Street North in Hamilton, he had a custom iron gate created bearing his name. When the James street practice closed down, Harold Woolverton purchased the gate and had it placed in front of 22 Main Street West, Grimsby, under the condition that the gate be in situ as long as a doctor practiced out of the building. In 1979 when the Main Street West practice closed down, the gate was once again moved to the garden behind West Lincoln Memorial Hospital.

The dwelling was built by the notable Woolverton family, as well as being custom designed by the architecture firm J.H. Daverman & Sons in 1907. The firm Daverman & Sons is known for being one of the first to market plan book houses in North America.

The historic dwelling at 360 Main St West is representative of the age and architectural style that historically was found along the historic Main Street West corridor. This heritage dwelling visually illustrates the wealth and prosperity within the Town during the height of the tender fruit industry found in the Town of Grimsby.

The historic dwelling at 360 Main Street West is historically linked to the property. The historic dwelling was constructed by Harold Corwin Woolverton. Harold Woolverton was a very well-known and respected fruit farmer within the Town of Grimsby. The Woolverton family had been farming the land for over a century when the dwelling at 360 Main Street West was constructed.

### **HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES TO BE DESIGNATED**

The Heritage Attributes to be designated at 360 Main Street West include:

- Two and a half storeys
- Gable roof with gabled dormers
- Nearly symmetrical 5 bay façade
- Smooth red brick chimneys
- Full-width front porch, with a hipped roof and central gabled pediment over the staircase
- Multi storey enclosed porch to the east
- Clapboard bevel siding
- Wood shingle siding on the dormers and gables
- Tuscan porch columns
- Turned wood porch railing spindles
- Setback from Main Street West

### **OBJECTIONS**

Any objection to this designation must be filed no later than 30 days after the date of publication of the notice of intention in a newspaper. Objections should be directed to Bonnie Nistico-Dunk, Town Clerk, Town Clerk, 160 Livingston Avenue, Grimsby ON, L3M 0J53.

### **MORE INFORMATION**

Any inquiries may be directed to Bianca Verrecchia, Heritage Planner at 905-945-9634 ext. 2122 or by email [bverrecchia@grimsby.ca](mailto:bverrecchia@grimsby.ca)

**Last date to file Notice of Objection: November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023**