

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

282 Main Street West

TAKE NOTICE that Grimsby Town Council, on June 17th, 2024, resolved to issue a Notice of Intention to Designate PT LT 14 CON 2, North Grimsby (FMLY PCL 7), as in RO485870; 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 **282 Main Street West** contributes towards the Town of Grimsby's inclusive heritage.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The structure at 282 Main Street West is a blend of the Italianate and Edwardian architectural styles. The two-storey building was built in the Italianate architectural style in the late 1800s, the house retains many original Italianate features such as the two-storey stature with a hipped roof, brackets supporting the soffit, brick arched windows and a widow's walk.

The Italianate structure received an Edwardian update prior to 1934. In 1934 Dorothy and Edward Metcalfe were married, and had their wedding photos taken within the house, which was referred to as "Spruce Villa". In the wedding photos the addition of the leaded glass windows in the staircase landing can already be seen completed.

During this Edwardian update the house was expanded to the east, and multiple bay windows and leaded glass windows were added throughout. The full-width porch on the front façade may have been added during this renovation, as the porch spans across the Victorian and Edwardian portions of the home.

The leaded glass windows that were added throughout are primarily casements that swing inwards, arranged in a style inspired from Tudor architecture. The flat roof deck over the Edwardian sunroom addition is also a common feature of wealthy homes built in this era.

The structure at 282 Main Street West has direct associations with the Metcalf Family and Crouch families. The structure was built in the late 1800's by William Crouch. William Crouch was a fruit grower in North Grimsby Township and was married to Emily Rose Snyder. The couple were married on February 4th, 1897, at St. Johns Church, Grimsby. The wedding was officiated by Reverend John Muir and assisted by the Reverend J.G. Murray.

In 1912-1913 Harry Morphet Metcalf and his wife started their life at 282 Main Street West, naming it "Spruce Villa". The couple had one child, their daughter Dorothy Jane, they lived there until 1919, when the house and land was sold to Alexander & Katherine Globe, they renamed the house "The Anchorage". The house was significant to Dorothy and her family, when she married Mr. & Mrs. Globe kindly lent their home in 1934 for the reception of her wedding. Many photos of Dorothy and her new husband in her old home on their wedding day can be seen at the Grimsby Museum. 282 Main Street West follows the scale, mass and form of the surrounding former fruit farms. The Italianate-Edwardian residence displays the wealth of Grimsby's early fruit farmers and supports the character of the scenic Main Street West corridor. The architectural styles of the building and setback from Main Street West are important traits of

the property and work collectively with the surrounding building stock to create a cohesive streetscape.

The land and residence at 282 Main Street West is functionally and historically linked to its surroundings. The building was constructed as a farmhouse on an agricultural parcel in the late 1800's. The property's location on Main Street West is crucial as it was formerly known as Queenston Stone Road, an important highway in the Niagara Region. Main Street West would have been the route connecting Queenston, Dundas, and Toronto at the time of construction.

HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES TO BE DESIGNATED

The Heritage Attributes to be designated at 282 Main Street West include:

- Hipped Roof with widows walk
- Brick Chimney
- Wide Eaves
- Brackets Supporting the Soffit
- Bay Window on the West Façade with Leaded Glass Windows
- Second floor balcony over the Edwardian addition and wooden railing
- Bricked Arched Window Openings, brick construction
- Stone Sills
- Full width Front Porch with a Gable pediment above the stairs
- Tuscan Columns on Brick Pedestals with a Stone Cap
- Dentil moulding
- Wooden sash windows throughout
- Wooden leaded casement windows throughout
- Wooden front door and Sidelites
- Pin Wheel Skirting on the Porch
- Historic Foundation
- Wooden shutters
- 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 Victoria Steele, 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

Last date to file Notice of Objection: July 27th, 2024