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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

**Grimsby Great Western Railway Station
53 Ontario Street, Grimsby, ON**

TAKE NOTICE that Grimsby Town Council, on October 15, 2018 resolved to issue a Notice of Intention to Designate PT LT 434, Corporation Plan 4; PT 2, 30R-8681 ; Grimsby as a property of cultural heritage value or interest.

Description of Property

The subject property is located on the West side on Ontario Street, on the corner of Ontario Street and Carnegie Lane. The property is almost triangular in shape, narrowing towards the rear, and holds a gabled building of wooden construction, built on a heavy timbered foundation.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The railway station at 53 Ontario Street was built circa 1855 and is representative of early railway building designs in the mid-19th century. The utilitarian design is similar to other stations of this age found throughout Ontario. The design of the station reflects its use as a transshipment portal from Grimsby to national and international destinations.

53 Ontario Street was the first Great Western Railway Station in the Town of Grimsby built around 1855, a year after the Great Western Railway was established. The station was once considered the most important station between Hamilton and St. Catharines on the Great Western Railway Mainline. The railway station is the oldest and only remaining rail station in Grimsby and one of the oldest train station still standing near its original site, in Canada.

The building has historical value through its connection to the Great Western Railway. The Railway station is also directly associated with the rise of the fruit farming industry in Grimsby and contributes to the understanding of the link between transportation and the economic development of the town.

HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES TO BE DESIGNATED

The following architectural attributes have been determined to contribute to the heritage value of the building and constitute part of the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest for 53 Ontario Street:

- Timbered foundation
- Historic roof line- constructed from old growth timbers
- Exterior façades
- Original doorways
- Original window sills and openings
- Wide overhanging eaves
- Original brackets found under roof
- Remaining evidence and trim of the articulated window heads
- End gable
- Original patterned shipping doors
- Remaining pre-1900 window sash
- Remaining pre-1900 board and batten siding
- Conductors bay

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OBJECTIONS

Any objection to this designation must be filed no later than December 24, 2018. Objections should be directed to Hazel Soady-Easton, Town Clerk, P.O. Box 159, 160 Livingston Avenue, Grimsby ON, L3M 4G3.

MORE INFORMATION

Any inquiries may be directed to Janice Hogg, Senior Planner at 905-309-2062 or by email jhogg@grimsby.ca

Last date to file Notice of Objection: December 27, 2018

Hazel Soady-Easton, Town Clerk