

# The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby

## By-law No. 14-30

### A By-law to designate the Old Fire Hall, 15 Main Street East as a feature of historical, architectural and/or contextual significance.

**Whereas** pursuant to Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18, the Council of a municipality is authorized to enact by-laws to designate a real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

**And whereas** the municipal council of the Corporation of the Town of Grimsby has cause to be served on the owners of the lands and premises at:

15 Main Street East  
Grimsby, ON

and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, notice of intention to designate the **Old Fire Hall** at **15 Main Street East** and a statement of the reasons for the proposed designation, and further, has caused said notice of intention to be published in the Grimsby Lincoln News, being a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality;

**And whereas** the reasons for designation and extent to which the designation applies are set out in Schedule "B" attached hereto and form part of this By-law.

**Now therefore be it resolved that** the Council of the Town of Grimsby enacts as follows:

1. That the following real property, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this By-law is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest:  
The Old Fire Hall  
15 Main Street East  
Town of Grimsby  
The Regional Municipality of Niagara
2. THAT the Town solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" attached hereto at the Land Registry Office.

Read a first time this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 2014.

Read a second and third time and finally passed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 2014.

  
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R.N. Bentley, Mayor

  
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H. Soady-Easton, Town Clerk

**Schedule 'A' to By-law 14-30**

In the Town of Grimsby in the Regional Municipality of Niagara, property description as follows:

The Old Fire Hall,  
LT 321, Corporation Plan 4; GRIMSBY, municipally known as  
15 Main Street East,  
Town of Grimsby,  
Regional Municipality of Niagara

**Schedule 'B' to By-law 14-30  
Statement of Significance  
And Description of extent of the features  
To which the designation applies**

Description of Property

The subject property is located on the north side of Main Street East in the Downtown commercial core of Grimsby. The original brick building on the property is the former Police and Fire Building in Grimsby.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The Grimsby Fire and Police Station Building demonstrates physical value as a traditional late nineteenth century Main Street Commercial building and Fire Hall. The building was purpose built to be a fire hall. The form and historical brick detailing of the building, the location of the now vanished fire tower, and height of the first storey doors are all indicators of the original and intended function of the building. The building contributes to the character of the historic commercial Main Street.

The Grimsby Fire and Police Station Building has associational value as the purpose built home for the Grimsby Fire Department in 1885, a use it served in until 1960. The building was an important civic building in the small village of Grimsby. The building later served as the home of the Grimsby Police Service and the historical jail cells in the rear of the building indicate this historical function of the building.

The Grimsby Fire and Police Station Building has contextual value as it supports the historic Main Street Character of downtown Grimsby. The building's location on Main Street at the terminus of Elm Street, place it in a landmark location for those travelling northbound on Elm Street towards Main Street.

Heritage Attributes

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 15 Main Street East:

- Arced window openings on upper front façade with voussoirs;
- Corbelled brick parapet on upper front façade;
- Flemish Stretcher Bond brickwork;
- Reproduction (2012) Fire Hall doors;
- Reproduction (2012) 2/2 sash windows;
- Reproduction (2013) Fire Hall Signage; and
- Setback of building from the street line.