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The Corporation Of The Municipality Of Grey Highlands By-Law Number 2015-44

A By-Law To Designate 81 Main Street East, Markdale (Haskett House) To Be Of Cultural Heritage Value And Interest

Whereas Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18, as amended, authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact a by-law to designate real property including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

And Whereas Council consulted with its' Municipal Heritage Committee and approved the designation of a property located at 19 Toronto Street North (Markdale) on April 22, 2015;

And Whereas Notice of the Intention to Designate was published in The Advance, which is a newspaper having general circulation in the Municipality on May 13, 2015;

And Whereas no Notice of Objection to the proposed Designation was served to the Clerk of the Corporation of the Municipality of Grey Highlands;

And Whereas it is desired to designate the property mentioned in Section 1 of this by-law in accordance with Clause 29(6)(a) of the said Act.

Now Therefore The Council Of The Corporation Of The Municipality Of Grey Highlands Enacts As Follows:

- That the property located at 81 Main Street East, Markdale (Haskett House), Grey Highlands, Ontario and more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto annexed and forming part of this by-law, is hereby designated as property of cultural heritage value.
- That the Municipality reserves the right to install a designated property plaque or interpretive panel.
- 3. That the Municipal Solicitor is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this by-law, together with the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value and Description of Heritage Attributes set out in Schedule "B" and hereto annexed and forming part of this by-law, to be registered against the property affected in the proper registry office.
- 4. That the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized and directed:
 - a) to cause a copy of this By-law, together with reasons for the designation, to be served on The Ontario Heritage Trust by personal service or by registered mail;
 - b) to publish a notice of this by-law once in The Advance, which is a newspaper having general circulation in the Municipality of Grey Highlands.

ENACTED AND PASSED THIS 6th day of July 2015.

The Corporation of the Municipality of Grey Highlands

Paul McQueen, Mayor

Debbie Robertson, Clerk

Schedule "A" to By-law 2015-44

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REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

Design or Physical Value

- The design and physical heritage value of the Haskett House exterior is a good example of Italianate blended with other neo-classical style elements.
- Examples of the style is reflected by the unique use of an unusual variation on locally popular polychromatic vousoirs with banding to accentuate the "eared" window and door treatments. The presence of "eared" windows is throughout the entire original structure and the 1920 Haskett addition is unique to the Municipality.
- Styling of a wooden neo-classical frieze with elaborate Tuscan-style cornices supporting both the eaves and the entablature above a large left front bay is also unique to the area.
- Interior design and physical value lies in the high degree of artistic merit and craftsmanship shown in the complexity of layered corwn molding, bas-relief ceiling medallions and ornate plaster cornices that support "carved" Palladian-style arches.
- The design and physical value of several additions to the property made by subsequent owners are of value for the careful choice of materials and design elements that blend well with but do not overwhelm the original design features.

Historical or Associative Value

- The Haskett brothers, George and William, built the house c. 1895
- The Haskett brothers, whose tinsmith business, founded mid-1860's and hardware store, opened early 1870's, contributed to the early economic development of the community.
- The Property's second owner, F.T. Hill, purchased the property in 1918, lived there briefly then later re-purposed it as a candy factory as well as providing dormitory accommodation for the workers/staff. F.T. Hill is remembered and respected in Markdale as a creative and successful entrepreneur who owned stores and other enterprises and employed many local residents.

Contextual Value

- The property contributes to maintaining and supporting the character of Main Street East, a streetscape that includes several other homes of prominent early settlers include the home of George Walker, one of Markdale's first settlers.
- The building is now a private residence, however, is a locally valued landmark still known as "The Candy House".

Description of Heritage Attributes:

Key exterior attributes that exemplify the unique design value of Haskett House include:

- Protruding full-height bays north facade & east side, each with paired windows on the facade of the bay and a single of same-size window inset in each site.
- "Eared" window and door vousoirs highlighted with polychromatic brickwork that is artistically tied into decorative polychromatic banding.
- · Tuscan / Italianate cornices and frieze styling.
- Covered port addition extended from the entablature of the front bay and tied in with reproduction frieze and cornices as well as with neoclassical columns.
- Five-sided "mullioned" conservatory addition accessed through the original front window on the west side, vying good view of historic streetscape.
- Rear on-story artist's studio glazed on three sides extended from the 1910 Haskett two-story brick addition of kitchen, since renovated, with bedrooms above

Key interior attributes that enhance the neo-classical design value include:

- Palladian arches with carved edges and elaborate plaster cornice supports that accentuate both of the full-height interior bays.
- Classical motif bas-relief ceiling medallions in each main floor room.
- Complex and innovative crown and ceiling moldings throughout.