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THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CLARINGTON

BY-LAW #97-18

being a by-law to designate the property known for municipal purposes as 40 Temperance Street, Part Lot 12, Concession 1, former Town of Bowmanville, now in the Municipality of Clarington as a property of historic or architectural value or interest under the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, C.0.18 authorizes the council of the municipality to enact by-laws to designate properties to be of historic or architectural value or interest for the purposes of the Act; and

WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Clarington has caused to be served upon the owner of the property known for municipal purposes as 40 Temperance Street, former Town of Bowmanville and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, Notice of Intention to Designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such Notice of Intention to be published in the Canadian Statesman, a newspaper having general circulation in the area of the designation on December 4, 1996; and

WHEREAS the reasons for the designation of the aforesaid property under the Ontario Heritage Act are contained in Schedule "A" attached to and forming part of this by-law; and

WHEREAS the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee of the Municipality of Clarington has recommended that the property known for municipal purposes as 40 Temperance Street, Bowmanville be designated as a property of historic or architectural value or interest under the Ontario Heritage Act; and

WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation was served upon the Clerk within the period prescribed by the Ontario Heritage Act;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CLARINGTON HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- The property known for municipal purposes as 40 Temperance Street, Bowmanville which is more particularly described in Schedule "B" which is attached to and forms part of this by-law, is hereby designated as a property which has historic or architectural value or interest under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, C.0.18.
- 2. The Solicitor for the Municipality of Clarington is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the title to the property described in Schedule "B" hereto.
- 3. The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owner of the property described in Schedule "B" hereto and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation. The Clerk also is authorized to cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in the Canadian Statesman, a newspaper having general circulation in the area of the designation.

By-law read a first and second time this 27th day of January 1997.

By-law read a third time and finally passed this 27th day of January 1997.

MAYOR

CLERK

SCHEDULE "A"

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Constructed between 1903 and 1904, the former Town of Bowmanville Town Hall was designed by A.R. Denison of Toronto. It is the only example of the Beaux Arts style found in Bowmanville. This architectural form takes its name from the Ecole de Beaux Arts in Paris where architects of the late nineteenth century were taught to design buildings based on Classical and Renaissance prototypes.

The symmetrical facade contains a recessed centre portion between slightly projecting end bays. Horizontal rustication is evident on the lower storey as the brick has been laid to give the effect of broad horizontal bands. The recessed portion of the upper storey contains three large windows set between projecting brick pilasters which are topped with decorative capitals. The roof line cornice, with its rectangular brackets and semi-circular pediment, the octagon bell tower and the stone window dressings, door trim and scroll brackets all add to the appearance of stately importance.

On April 20, 1903, the council for the former Town of Bowmanville approved the construction of this new town hall building. John Kydd was engaged as superintendent of the work under the direction of Mr. Denison, and the corner stone was laid on August 29, 1903, by John Hoskin Esq.

The building was officially opened on February 24,1 904, and was multi-purpose in nature. The lower floor held the municipal offices and the library, and the basement contained a detention cell with a heavy metal plated door and barred windows. The Hall's most impressive feature was the upper floor auditorium which was utilized as an opera house.

It is significant to note that in the late 1980s the town hall was revived to accommodate the needs of a growing municipality. 1988 saw the official opening of a new post-modern addition. Designed by A.J. Diamond, Donald Schmitt and Company, the rehabilitation of the old section and its melding with the new administrative office portion won an award of excellence from the Ontario Architects Association (OAA).

The renovation was very sympathetic to the original construction as all exterior facade were maintained and new elements were carefully amalgamated. The west wall has been retained and can be seen upon entrance into the main reception area. The original north entrance has been replaced by a window and additional windows have been added where needed. The cast iron opera house seats have been refurbished and reupholstered and are now the balcony seating for the council chambers.

The former Town of Bowmanville Town Hall is recommended for designation under the Ontario Heritage Act for the following architectural features:

Exterior

- the low-hipped black slate roof
- the octagon bell tower and its balcony
- the heavy cornicing, rectangular brackets and pediment
- the original brick facade with its horizontal rustication
- the fieldstone foundation
- the brick pilasters and decorative capitals
- the galvanized tin trim and facades, bell tower and tower balcony
- the decorative stone work on the windows and main entrance
- the double doors of the front entrance with their heavy brass handles
- the balcony over the main entrance with its stone scroll brackets

SCHEDULE "B"

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LT 127 BLK M PL Grant Bowmanville; LT 128 BLK M PL Grant Bowmanville; PT LT 39 BLK M PL Grant Bowmanville as in *DNP2698*; Clarington *Amended 2003 03 18 by W. Griffin*; PIN 266260083