

AGENDA # 1

City of Madison, Wisconsin

REPORT OF: LANDMARKS COMMISSION	PRESENTED: January 30 th , 2017
TITLE: 215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard - Designated Madison Landmark - Review of the proposal to divide the existing lot of the landmark site. 4th Ald. Dist.	REFERRED: REREFERRED:
Contact: Natalie Erdman, Planning & Community & Economic Development Dept Director	REPORTED BACK:
AUTHOR: Amy Scanlon, Secretary	ADOPTED: POF:
DATED: January 30 th , 2017	ID NUMBER: 45681

Members present were: Stuart Levitan, Chair; Anna V. Andrzejewski, Vice Chair; Erica Fox Gehrig, David WJ McLean, and Richard Arnesen. Excused were Marsha A. Rummel and Lon Hill.

SUMMARY:

Levitan opened the public hearing.

Director of the Department of Planning & Community & Economic Development, Natalie Erdman, provided a brief introduction to the proposal and request for Certificate of Appropriateness for the division of the landmark site.

Levitan asked if there is information of what the future construction might be. Erdman explained that there was not information to be discussed at this time, but when information is available, it will come before the Commission and is anticipated in March 2017.

Levitan closed the public hearing.

Andrzejewski asked if the National Register Listing would change. Staff responded that the legal description National Register will not change. The local landmark designation legal description will change for block 88. McLean asked for further clarification of what exactly will be divided, specifically, and what the purpose is of dividing the block. Per staff, it is to allow for development, as there are ownership issues if it is not divided. Additionally, the parking lot is not discussed as being historically significant in the Landmark nomination and the Municipal Building faces Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. as a grand Neo-Classical building on a formal plinth. The significant setting is not being changed. Staff also explained that the significance of each landmark should be considered when a land division is being reviewed.

Arnesen asked about the criteria under which the Landmarks Commission is able to review this division and future development plans. Staff indicated that, because the site would become landmark

adjacent, it's within the Commission's purview to review and provide recommendation to Plan Commission and Urban Design Commission.

ACTION:

A motion to approve Certificate of Appropriateness for the the land division as identified in the proposal was made by McLean and seconded by Andrzejewski. The motion passed by a voice vote.