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Meeting Minutes - Approved LANDMARKS COMMISSION

Monday, December 3, 2018

5:00 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 111 (Madison Municipal Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - David W.J. McLean; Stuart Levitan; Anna Andrzejewski; Richard B. Arnesen and Katherine N. Kaliszewski

Excused: 1 - Marsha A. Rummel

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Andrzejewski, seconded by McLean, to Approve the November 19, 2018 Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

Arnesen disclosed that he had looked into purchasing the property at 121 Langdon Street in the last year, but that did not end up happening.

REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

1. [53824](#) 121 Langdon St - Exterior Alteration to a Designated Madison Landmark in the Mansion Hill Hist. Dist. (Suhr House); 2nd Ald. Dist.

David Ferch, registering in support and wishing to speak.

Harold Langhammer, registering in support and wishing to speak.

A motion was made by McLean, seconded by Kaliszewski, to approve the request for the Certificate of Appropriateness to repair the front, side, and rear porches and stairways with the condition that all final details must be approved by staff; to tuckpoint damaged masonry, with the extents of the work and the mortar mix and mortar color to be approved by staff; and to replace the arched storm window on the lower level of the front façade, with specifications for the window to be approved by staff. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

DEMOLITION BY NEGLECT

2. [53000](#) 121 Langdon St - Demolition by Neglect of a Designated Madison Landmark in the Mansion Hill Hist. Dist. (Suhr House); 2nd Ald. Dist.

A motion was made by McLean, seconded by Arnesen, to refer the item to the

April 22, 2019 Landmarks Commission meeting. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

REGULAR BUSINESS

3. [47837](#) Landmarks Commission Historic Preservation Plan Status Report

Fruhling said that they had their first of five Round 3 ordinance revisions meetings last week in the Marquette Bungalows historic district. He said that the consultant presented her recommendations for the ordinance revisions, and some attendees did express concerns about replacement versus repair, cost, maintenance, and energy efficiency. He explained that the consultants are not making any changes to the recommendations until after the Round 3 meetings are completed and they have received comments from meeting attendees. At that point, the consultant will revise the recommendations before they are forwarded to the Landmarks Ordinance Review Committee (LORC) and the Landmarks Commission.

Levitan asked if all historic districts will have the same provisions. Fruhling said that is currently what the consultant is recommending for ease of application by staff and the Landmarks Commission, as well as an easier understanding by property owners. He said there is a possibility that they will get to a consistent set of base standards, then have additional standards that address the uniqueness of each historic district and will be applied only to that district.

Fruhling mentioned that the Historic Preservation Plan Advisory Committee is meeting on December 12 to discuss the goals, objectives, and tools document that the Commission reviewed last month. He said that they plan to narrow the list and identify priorities.

Fruhling informed the Commission of a Cap Times Talk happening on December 5, which will focus on the histories of underrepresented communities. After the panel discussion, City Planning staff will hold small group discussions about what people would like to see preserved in Madison.

4. [50000](#) Secretary's Report

No action was taken.

5. [49999](#) Buildings Proposed for Demolition - 2018

By unanimous consent, the Landmarks Commission voted to recommend to the Plan Commission that the building at 5409 Femrite Drive has historic value related to the vernacular context of Madison's built environment, or as the work/product of an architect of note, but the building itself is not historically, architecturally, or culturally significant. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 5:58 pm.