

From: [Scanlon, Amy](#)
To: [Firchow, Kevin](#)
Subject: FW: burial mound at --- Woodward
Date: Monday, March 10, 2014 10:34:23 AM

Kevin,

Below is an email from Dr. Leslie Eisenberg of the Wisconsin Historical Society. Dr. Eisenberg is my contact related to burial mounds and the State Burial Law. It seems Ms. Slichter and Ms. Weber are in the process of applying to disturb an uncatalogued burial site, but it would be appropriate for the Plan Commission to condition this approval subject to the oversight by the State pursuant to Wis Stat 157.70.

Please forward as necessary.

Amy



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From: Eisenberg, Leslie E - WHS
Sent: Monday, March 10, 2014 10:22 AM
To: Scanlon, Amy
Subject: RE: burial mound at --- Woodward

Amy,

In checking our database for the Woodward Shores Mound Group (DA-0530), there is an uncataloged mound located on the property at --- Woodward Drive, Madison, Wisconsin. Neighboring properties (at --- Woodward Drive) have recorded cataloged mounds on them.

While the site plan as drawn and submitted by Design Coalition depicts the outline of a bird mound, that drawing has not been field checked and the effigy mound boundaries may be quite different; its placement and size is unverified at this time and it's exact location with respect to the request for a proposed addition is currently unknown.

The applicant, Ms. Slichter, must request to disturb an uncataloged burial site before proceeding. According to the e-mail received this morning from Ms. Weber of Design Coalition, that request is in preparation. At your suggestion, I was initially contacted by Ms. Weber on November 19, 2013 and I spoke with her on November 20, 2013 to let her know that, independent of her request for a

variance from the City, the landowner must also request to disturb the uncataloged burial site; she e-mailed a copy of the proposed site plan at that time. I provided her with the name and contact information for the individual here, Sherman Banker, who would likely review their submittal. On December 20, 2013, I called Ms. Weber to follow-up to see if there was any additional information I could provide at that time. She indicated that the City had issued a variance and that they would be applying for a Conditional Use Permit. I have not heard from Ms. Weber since.

Sincerely,

Leslie

From: [Christi Weber](#)
To: [Firchow, Kevin](#)
Cc: [Scanlon, Amy](#); [John Freiburger](#); [Catherine Slichter](#); [Eisenberg, Leslie E - WHS](#); [Zellers, Ledell](#); [Roger Smith](#)
Subject: Re: PC Agenda Item 11
Date: Monday, March 10, 2014 9:41:08 AM
Importance: High

Kevin,

Since the Owner is very invested in the historical aspects of this site, the protection of the Indian Mound is of the utmost importance to her.

Before applying for a variance last year, we followed Amy Scanlon's suggestion to contact Leslie Eisenberg from the Wisconsin Historical Society (copied on this email). According to Leslie, all of the mounds that sit between Woodward Drive and Lake Mendota are protected under Wisconsin State Law. This means that by law, a minimum five-foot buffer strip is required to be maintained around the mound in order to ensure its long-term preservation. According to Leslie, they prefer 15' feet. During construction, we hope to maintain a buffer strip that exceeds the 5' minimum and gets as close as possible to their 15' preference. The site plan we submitted shows a distance between the existing structure and the Indian Mound to be 20' so I'm feeling hopeful that we will be able to accomplish this goal. John Freiburger will be managing the construction of this project and the Owner and I will be working closely with him to determine exactly how large of a buffer strip we will be able to maintain during construction.

Also according to Leslie, any construction that occurs in this protected zone of Indian Mounds is required to be authorized by the WI Historical Society Division of Historic Preservation. We are required to submit a site plan and a letter to them, which I am in the process of putting together now. It is my understanding that Historical Society will send someone out to the site to gather more information and help guide us in the protection of the Indian Mound during construction.

Hope this helps. Please let me know if you have any further questions about this. I would happy to discuss. Email or Cell phone is the best way to contact me.

All the best,
Christi

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On Mar 10, 2014, at 8:53 AM, Firchow, Kevin wrote:

Christi –

Have you contacted the state regarding constructing near the Indian Mound? This may be under their designation and they may need to approve the plans. I've copied

our Preservation Planner on this one.

From: Zellers, Ledell
Sent: Sunday, March 09, 2014 3:09 PM
To: Firchow, Kevin
Subject: PC Agenda item 11

Hi Kevin,

I don't see anything that specifically calls out protecting the Indian Mound on the site where the ADU is proposing to be built. It seems to me that is an important item to be clear about. Any insights about that?

Thanks.
Ledell

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