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Meeting Minutes - Draft LANDMARKS COMMISSION

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

Monday, October 6, 2025

5:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

Call to Order/Roll Call

Present: 6 - John W. Duncan; Jacob Morrison; Molly S. Harris; Maurice D. Taylor;
Richard B. Arnesen and Katherine N. Kaliszewski
Excused: 1 - Edna Ely-Ledesma

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Duncan, seconded by Morrison, to Approve the September 15, 2025 Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Public Comment

1. [60576](#) Landmarks Commission Public Comment Period
None

Disclosures and Recusals

None

Public Hearing - Request for Certificate of Approval

2. [89888](#) 1716 Chadbourne Avenue - New Construction in the University Heights Historic District (District 5)
Tracey Powers, registering in support and wishing to speak
Angie Roloff, registering in support and available to answer questions
Ron Roloff, registering in support and available to answer questions

This item was approved as a consent item with the finding that all applicable standards are adequately addressed and with all the staff recommendations contained in the report.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to Approve the request for the Certificate of Approval with the conditions that the unpermitted accessory structure be removed and replaced with this approved accessory structure and final specifications for the skylights be submitted to staff for administrative approval. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

New Business

3. [90162](#) Landmark Plaque for 633 E Johnson Street

Bailey shared the proposed language for the landmark plaque. She pointed out edits needed for two typos: the spelling of "community" in line 3 and "neighborhood" in line 4.

A motion was made by Duncan, seconded by Arnesen, to Approve the language for the landmark plaque with edits noted by staff. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Demolition Historic Value Review

4. [89780](#) 979 Jonathon Drive - Consideration of a demolition permit to demolish a commercial building (District 14)

This item was approved as a consent item with the finding that all applicable standards are adequately addressed and with all the staff recommendations contained in the report.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to recommend a finding of (c) no known historic value. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.
5. [89953](#) 215 S Baldwin Street - Consideration of a demolition permit to demolish a single-family home (District 6)

This item was approved as a consent item with the finding that all applicable standards are adequately addressed and with all the staff recommendations contained in the report.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to recommend a finding of (c) no known historic value. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.
6. [89958](#) 221 S Baldwin Street - Consideration of a demolition permit to demolish a commercial building (District 6)

John Rolling, registering neither in support nor in opposition and wishing to speak

A motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Duncan, to recommend a finding of (c) no known historic value. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Duncan, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.
7. [89963](#) 1312 E Wilson Street - Consideration of a demolition permit to demolish a single-family home (District 6)

This item was approved as a consent item with the finding that all applicable standards are adequately addressed and with all the staff recommendations contained in the report.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to recommend a finding of (c) no known historic value. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.
8. [90136](#) 120 N Orchard Street - Consideration of a demolition permit to demolish a residential building (District 8)

This item was approved as a consent item with the finding that all applicable standards are adequately addressed and with all the staff recommendations contained in the report.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to recommend a finding of (c) no known historic value. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

9. [90141](#)

122-124 N Orchard Street - Consideration of a demolition permit to demolish a residential building (District 8)

This item was approved as a consent item with the finding that all applicable standards are adequately addressed and with all the staff recommendations contained in the report.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to recommend a finding of (c) no known historic value. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

10. [90146](#)

126-128 N Orchard Street - Consideration of a demolition permit to demolish a commercial building (District 8)

This item was approved as a consent item with the finding that all applicable standards are adequately addressed and with all the staff recommendations contained in the report.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to recommend a finding of (c) no known historic value. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

11. [90151](#)

1313 Randall Court - Consideration of a demolition permit to demolish a residential building (District 8)

This item was approved as a consent item with the finding that all applicable standards are adequately addressed and with all the staff recommendations contained in the report.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to recommend a finding of (c) no known historic value. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

12. [90156](#)

1314 Randall Court - Consideration of a demolition permit to demolish a single-family home (District 8)

This item was approved as a consent item with the finding that all applicable standards are adequately addressed and with all the staff recommendations contained in the report.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to recommend a finding of (c) no known historic value. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

13. [90161](#)

801 S Whitney Way - Consideration of a demolition permit to demolish a well house and reservoir (District 11)

John Rolling, registering neither in support nor in opposition and wishing to speak

Isaac Steinmeyer, registering in support and available to answer questions

Pete Holmgren, registering in support and available to answer questions

A motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Arnesen, to recommend a finding of (b) as this property speaks to the vernacular context of Madison and the evolution of the Prairie-style design for municipal

water service structures. They recommend that the Plan Commission request documentation of existing conditions to meet historic survey standards. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Arnesen, to Refer to the PLAN COMMISSION. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

14. [89844](#)

1402 Wyoming Way - Consideration of a demolition permit to demolish an institutional building (District 18)

This item was approved as a consent item with the finding that all applicable standards are adequately addressed and with all the staff recommendations contained in the report.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to recommend a finding of (c) no known historic value. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

15. [89839](#)

1601 N Sherman Avenue and 1610 Ruskin Street - Consideration of a demolition permit to demolish an institutional building (District 12)

This item was approved as a consent item with the finding that all applicable standards are adequately addressed and with all the staff recommendations contained in the report.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to recommend a finding of (c) no known historic value. However, the human burial site (Sugar Bush Mound Group, DA-0060, BDA-0329) on the property will need to secure a Request to Disturb before beginning ground-disturbing work. This site is significant to the Ho-Chunk people. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Duncan, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Morrison, to Adjourn at 5:20 pm. The motion passed by voice vote/other.