

AGENDA # 6

City of Madison, Wisconsin

REPORT OF: LANDMARKS COMMISSION	PRESENTED: November 17, 2014
TITLE: 722 Williamson Street – Third Lake Ridge Historic District – Lot Division. 6 th Ald. District. Contact: Martin Rifken, The Rifken Group Ltd. (36060)	REFERRED: REREFERRED: REPORTED BACK:
AUTHOR: Amy Scanlon, Secretary	ADOPTED: POF:
DATED: November 17, 2014	ID NUMBER:

Members present were: Stu Levitan, Chair; Erica Fox Gehrig, Vice Chair; Christina Slattery, Jason Fowler, Marsha Rummel, and Michael Rosenblum. David McLean was excused.

SUMMARY:

Martin Rifken registering in support and wishing to speak. Rifken explained that this land division would allow for the existing lot to be divided so that the existing building remains on one lot and the remaining parking lot becomes the other lot.

Rummel asked if this configuration is the best way to divide the lot. Rifken explained that this configuration allows for refinancing, a way to get the contaminated rear portion separated from the existing building, and the ability to redevelop the parking lot site in the future. Levitan explained that the subdivision of the lot creates smaller lots from what currently exists. Rummel explained that the proposed land division seemed to relate to a previous development proposal and there may be better ways to divide the lot. The resulting lot size is compatible with other lots in the district.

ACTION:

A motion was made by Gehrig, seconded by Rosenblum, to advise the Plan Commission that the Landmarks Commission finds that the land division results in smaller lot sizes which are more compatible with the lot sizes of the historic district. The motion passed by voice vote/other.