

AGENDA # 2

City of Madison, Wisconsin

REPORT OF: LANDMARKS COMMISSION

PRESENTED: August 22, 2011

TITLE: 723 State Street – Development
Adjacent to a Local Landmark – St.
Paul’s Catholic Center and Residential
College Redevelopment. 8th Ald. Dist.
(20329)

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ADOPTED:

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DATED: August 22, 2011

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Members present were: Marsha Rummel, David McLean, Robin Taylor, Michael Rosenblum and Erica Fox Gehrig.

SUMMARY:

At its meeting of August 22, 2011, the Landmarks Commission received an informational presentation for St. Paul’s Catholic Center redevelopment. Registered and speaking in support were Robert Shipley and Ron Trachtenberg, both representing St. Paul’s. Registered in support and available to answer questions was Mark Landgraf, representing St. Paul’s. Shipley briefly presented the project. He explained that the residential college components have been removed which reduced the height of the building to 6-stories (100’ from grade to eave and 150’ from grade to top of steeple). He described the style of the proposed building as the traditional American architecture of the 1930s which combines Italianate, Romanesque and Art Deco styles. The Commission briefly discussed the overall height of the building, the use and design of the top floor, the exterior materials, the difficulty determining scale according to the range of window sizes, and the discrepancies between the plan drawings and the rendered elevation drawings. Generally, the Commission found the proposed building to be a better neighbor to the adjacent landmark (Pres House) than the previous design.