
Regarding: **University Avenue Reconstruction corridor
(Legistar #19315)**

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General Information:

Ms. Elizabeth Miller, historic preservation consultant, sent a letter and map (both attached) explaining a Wisconsin Department of Transportation project to reconstruct University Avenue. Ms. Miller found numerous buildings and structures that she believes would be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. Ms. Miller is requesting any additional information from the Landmarks Commission about any other historic resources in the area that might be affected by this project.

Staff Comments:

In addition to the Wisconsin Historical Society Architecture and Historic Inventory buildings shown on Ms. Miller's map, there are several designated Local Landmarks near the proposed transportation corridor project that WisDOT should be aware of as they complete their EIS. Staff recommends that these landmarks be included in the report.

In addition, it should be noted that four of the AHI buildings shown on the map are currently proposed for demolition (they are noted below.)

The Local designated Landmark parcels include:

1. The Spring Harbor Mound and Landmark Site: 1110 Spring Harbor Dr. and 1771 -1775 Norman Way, (Designated in 1991)
2. Hickory Hill, 1721-1729 Hickory Dr. – c.1860 (Designated in 1975)
3. Swenson Estate, 1-2 Thorstrand Rd – c.1992 (Designated in 1980)
4. Commons House, 1645 Norman Way – c.1913 (Designated in 1985)

The Inventory as shown on Ms. Miller's Map includes the following:

- AHI #101927 St. Dunstan's Church, 6205 University Ave., c.1964
- AHI # 162181 Cress University Ave Funeral Home, 6021 University Ave., c.1970
- AHI #37401 White House, 1705 Hickory Dr., c. 1934
- AHI #113929 Dale Heights Presbyterian Church, 5501 University Ave., c 1960s
- AHI #113138 Spring Harbor Grade School, 1110 Spring Harbor Dr., c.1958
- AHI #162121 Glen A. Goldsmith Station – Madison Water Utility Building
- AHI #109664 Erdman Assoc. Building, 5117 University Ave., c1955 (***currently proposed for demolition***)
- AHI #162102 Merrill Springs Inn, 5101 University Ave, (***currently proposed for demolition***)
- AHI #162101 Hill Farms Transportation Office Building, 4802 Sheboygan Ave. (***currently proposed for demolition***)
- AHI #162081 Hill Farms Records Building, 4638 University Avenue (***currently proposed for demolition***)