



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved LANDMARKS COMMISSION

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Monday, June 11, 2012

4:45 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
Room LL-110 (Madison Municipal Building)

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

**Present:** 4 -

Stuart Levitan; Robin M. Taylor; Michael J. Rosenblum and Erica Fox Gehrig

**Excused:** 3 -

Marsha A. Rummel; David W.J. McLean and Christina Slattery

### APPROVAL OF May 14, 2012 MINUTES

A motion was made by Gehrig, seconded by Rosenblum, to Approve the Minutes of the meeting of May 14, 2012. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

*Ledell Zellers, 510 N. Carroll Street, explained she will testify at the Plan Commission meeting about staff memo dated June 11, 2012 on historic district/landmarks related items. PDD/PUD height restriction should be discouraged or prohibited in historic districts. PDD/PUD is a continuous threat that will undermine the credibility of historic districts. One recommendation has been changed to read "complete the downtown historic preservation plan to be a tool for preserving downtown heritage resources by following through on its recommendations to determine if downtown potential landmarks are still valid" Ms. Zellers is requesting that a phrase be added: "and to identify if previously unidentified buildings warrant landmarking". Ms. Zellers is also requesting that they consider removing the following phrase "...if initiated by representative group of property owners." And to add language to the following phrase: "...increase frequency of inspections of landmarks and local historic districts and National Register historic districts." She concludes by requesting that the Landmarks Commission do what it can to enhance protections of historic resources in the downtown.*

*Gene Devitt, 28 East Gorham, is supportive of the comments of Ms. Zellers.*

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

*Gehrig will recuse for Item #1. Levitan has been cleared by the City Attorney to participate in 100 Block review and will read a statement into the record at the next meeting.*

7. [07804](#) Secretary's Report

*A Partial Secretary's Report will be taken out of order to allow Steve Cover to report.*

*Steve Cover, Director of Planning and Community and Economic Development, explained the first phase of the development review process recommendations and the City Design Team as outlined in documents provided for the Commissioners. Mr. Cover explained the Phase 2 recommendations relate to ordinances and will come in the future.*

#### REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

1. [26536](#) 1711 Kendall Avenue - Designated Landmark (Smith-Ogg House) - University Heights Historic District - Exterior alteration projects.  
5th Aldermanic District  
Contact: David Herkert
- A motion was made by Rosenblum, seconded by Taylor, to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for the exterior alterations as submitted. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

2. [26537](#) 702 East Mifflin Street - Designated Landmark (City Market) - Exterior alteration involving window replacement.  
2nd Aldermanic District  
Contact: Lee Waldhart
- A motion was made by Gehrig, seconded by Rosenblum, to Refer the discussion of this item to a future meeting. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

#### PROPOSED LANDMARK NOMINATIONS

3. [26539](#) 627 East Gorham Street - Landmark Nomination
- A motion was made by Taylor, seconded by Gehrig, to Refer to the LANDMARKS COMMISSION for a Public Hearing. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

4. [26540](#) 633 East Gorham Street - Landmark Nomination
- A motion was made by Taylor, seconded by Gehrig, to Refer to the LANDMARKS COMMISSION for a Public Hearing. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

#### NEW BUSINESS

5. [17835](#) Landmarks Ordinance Revisions
- No action taken.*
6. [25183](#) Buildings Proposed for Demolition - 2012

*Staff explained the buildings proposed for demolition. The Landmarks Commission did not provide comments about historic interest.*

7. [07804](#)

Secretary's Report

**A motion was made by Gehrig, seconded by Rosenblum, to request that Alder Rummel seek separation to allow delayed consideration of new Landmarks commissioner appointment to allow Robin Taylor to consider the Block 100 Foundation proposal. The motion was passed on a voice vote/other.**

**Levitan expressed, on behalf of the Landmarks Commission, his great appreciation and respect of Robin and her many years of public service for the City of Madison. The Landmarks Commission will prepare an internal resolution marking Robin's involvement.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Taylor, seconded by Gehrig, to Adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**