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Meeting Minutes - Approved LANDMARKS COMMISSION

Monday, November 21, 2011

4:45 PM

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

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 4 -
Stuart Levitan; Robin M. Taylor; Christina Slattery and Erica Fox Gehrig

Excused: 3 -
Marsha A. Rummel; David W.J. McLean and Michael J. Rosenblum

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Levitan requested that the motion regarding the Olin panel be revised.

A motion was made by Gehrig, seconded by Taylor, to Approve the Minutes of November 7, 2011 with revisions requested. The motion passed by a voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

- 1.** [24557](#) 2110 Chadbourne Avenue - University Heights Historic District - Exterior alteration involving the installation of a window in an existing door opening. 5th Ald. District.
Contact: Randy Schorr, Schorr Construction
Gehrig requested clarification of the scope of the work.

A motion was made by Taylor, seconded by Slattery, to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness including staff comments. The motion passed by a voice vote/other.
- 2.** [24558](#) 1305 Rutledge Street - Third Lake Ridge Historic District - Exterior alteration involving the replacement and enlargement of the rear porch. 6th Ald. District.
Contact: Patrick Crean

Patrick Crean, 422 Elmside Boulevard, registered in support and was available to answer questions. Mr. Crean explained that he prefers to use cedar on touchable areas of the deck (handrail elements) with a stained finish, Trex decking in a similar color, and stained pressure treated structure and framing. He further explained that he uses a Sikkens stain product. Staff requested that the stain product be less glossy. Gehrig asked if materials should be painted instead of stained. Staff noted that the materials should not be as glossy. Mr. Crean confirmed that the stain will continue on the underside of the lower elements of the structure.

A motion was made by Fox, seconded by Slattery, to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness with staff comments. The motion passed by a voice vote/other.

NEW BUSINESS

3. [24567](#) Garver Feed Mill discussion

Lou Host-Jablonski presented an idea that has been prepared by an ad hoc neighborhood group to respond to the need to find a use for Garver (Legistar 24070). The power point presentation showed Garver being adaptively used as a "ruin garden" where some areas would be open and others would have roofs and could be appropriate for museum space, gift shop, cafe/restaurant, service/storage spaces for events. Other areas could interpret the processes historically used at Garver. The "ruin garden" proposal allows the building to be in stasis which may allow a different use to be implemented in the future. Mr. Host-Jablonski requested an evaluation of the structure and an understanding of the possibilities that relate to viable and "ruined" areas of the building.

John Martens added that budget is the main issue and that this idea seems to be the best approach that can be implemented quickly. He also stated that it may be desirable to have a ruin element instead of a restored building in this location.

The Commissioners agreed that this was an interesting idea that warranted further evaluation.

The Landmarks Commission received an Informational Presentation.

4. [24468](#) A Resolution Adopting the Downtown Plan as a Supplement to the City of Madison Comprehensive Plan.

Rebecca Cnare, City Planning Staff, presented the basic elements of the Downtown Plan with specific emphasis on the historic preservation issues. There was general discussion about the two options for the Mifflin area, potential local historic districts, potential National historic districts, strengthening the identity of local historic districts, creating National historic districts where local districts exist, the importance of the character of the buildings on the triangle blocks, and the need to partner with Building Inspection to assist in the maintenance of historic building stock.

The Landmarks Commission voted to Return to Lead (the PLAN COMMISSION) with the Recommendation to accept the resolution to adopt the Downtown Plan as presented with the recommended option for Mifflin instead of the alternate option.

A motion was made by Slattery, seconded by Taylor, to accept the resolution to adopt the Downtown Plan as presented with the recommended option for Mifflin instead of the alternate option. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

5. [21101](#) Landmarks Commission Procedures

A motion was made by Gehrig, seconded by Slattery, to refer this item to the next meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote/other.

6. [20957](#) Buildings proposed for demolition - 2011

A motion was made by Slattery, seconded by Taylor, that the Landmarks Commission finds that there is no known historic interest for the addresses discussed. The motion passed by a voice vote/other.

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

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Gehrig, seconded by Taylor, to Adjourn at 6:35 P.M. The motion passed by a voice vote/other.