## STAFF REPORT

### **Madison Landmarks Commission**

Regarding: 2005-2009 Landmarks Commission Activities Summary

(Legistar #19096)

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## **2009 Approvals Information**

#### 1. 2009 Landmarks Ordinance Administrative approvals:

There were approximately **200 administrative approvals** for roofing projects, repairs, and minor changes according to the Landmarks Commission adopted "Policy for Designee Approval of Certain Projects for Landmarks and Buildings in Historic Districts". Some of these were in coordination with administrative approvals for both the UDC and the Plan Commission.

## 2. 2009 Landmarks Commission: 47 total cases (plus three proposed landmarks designations)

-- 44 Certificates of Appropriateness and 3 advisory opinions to the Plan Commission)

- Landmark Designations: 3 (2 of which were withdrawn, and the other was forwarded to the Common Council with a positive recommendation)
- Landmarks (or adjacent to landmarks):13
- Local Historic Districts:
  - University Heights: 16
  - Mansion Hill: 4
  - Marquette Bungalows: 1
  - Third Lake Ridge: 11
  - First Settlement: 2
- **94% approval rate:** Of the 48 Commission reviewed cases, 45 were approved or received a favorable advisory recommendation (sometimes with conditions),

3 were not approved (207 N. Spooner Street, 2021 Van Hise Ave., and 666 Wisconsin Ave.)

- Time for approval
  - 1 case took 6 meetings (including 1 informational)
  - 1 case took 4 meetings (including 1 informational)
  - 5 cases took 2 meetings (of these cases, 2 included one informational, 1 was at the request of the applicant, 1 was required by Ordinance and 1 was alteration of previously approved CoA).
  - All other cases took 1 meeting.

### 2005-2009 Landmarks Commission Activities Summary:

Year	Admin. approvals	Landmark designations (not included in regular cases – requires 2 meetings)	Work Orders	Landmarks Commission Cases (CoAs, advisory recommendations, etc.)	Approvals / positive recommendations (approval rate)	Denials / negative recommendations	Average meetings per LC approval
2005	96	1 (1 went forward)	4	33	32 (97%)	1	1.1
2006	unknown	<b>4</b> (3 went forward,1	0	23	21 (91%)	2	1.2
		placed on file)				(at same address)	
2007	unknown	<b>4</b> (4 went forward)	0	41	38 (93%)	3	1.2
2008	unknown	<b>8</b> (6 went forward,	3	28	27 (96%)	1	1.4
		2 placed on file)			, ,		
2009	200	<b>3</b> (1 went forward,	0	48	45 (94%)	3	1.25
		2 withdrawn)					

## **Historic Parcel data:**

City of Madison Parcels (private and public): approximately 60,000 Historic Parcels (designated landmark or in a local Historic District): 1,500 (2.5% of all parcels)

# **Landmarks Commission Approval Matrix:**

	Project Type	LC Role	LC Public Hearing	Staff Approval of Minor Alterations
1	Landmark / Landmark Site Designation	Advisory to CC	Yes	No
2	Creation of Local Historic Districts	Advisory to PC & CC	Yes	No
3	Certificate of Appropriateness for alterations to, and signs on, Designated Landmarks	Final Approval*	No	Yes
4	Certificate of Appropriateness in Local Historic Districts: Includes new construction, alterations of existing buildings, and signs	Final Approval*	Only for new buildings/ large additions in University Heights	Yes
5	Certificate of Appropriateness for Demolition of all or part of a Landmark or improvement in a Historic District	Final Approval * (but must also get separate approval from PC)	Yes	No
6	Development adjacent to a Designated Landmark	Advisory to PC/CC	No	Yes
7	Variances	Final Approval*	Yes	No
8	Sale of Landmarks and Rescinding of Landmarks Designation	No LC decision role - CC only	No	No
9	Misc referrals from other Commissions	Advisory	No	No
10	Voluntary applicant submittal for review of buildings in National Historic Districts	Advisory	No	No

<sup>\*</sup> Appeal of final approvals goes to the Common Council where a 2/3 vote is required to overturn