

City of Madison

Meeting Minutes - Approved LANDMARKS COMMISSION

Monday, May 14, 2018	5:00 PM	210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
		Room 103A (City County Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present:	6 -	Marsha A. Rummel; David W.J. McLean; Stuart Levitan; Anna	
		Andrzejewski; Richard B. Arnesen and Katherine N. Kaliszewski	
Excused:	1 -	Lon Hill	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by McLean, seconded by Andrzejewski, to Approve the April 30, 2018 Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike Briggs, registering and wishing to speak. Jenna Bernstein, registering and wishing to speak

Briggs stated that he has been a resident of Madison for 52 years and a former alder of the district in which Forest Hill Cemetery is located, so he is familiar with the history of the cenotaph that lists the names of the soldiers. He pointed out that the individual graves are marked with names, and that is sufficient; there is no need for a large monument to commemorate those who fought for slavery, which he views as a constant, visible reminder to people of African American heritage in our City that is supposed to stand for diversity and equality. Levitan asked if Briggs thought there should be an interpretive sign in Forest Hill Cemetery, and Briggs responded that there should not be a sign because people can look up any information they wish to find. Levitan then questioned why this didn't occur to Briggs when he was an alder in the district. Briggs replied that we are living in different times and hopefully as we grow older, we also grow wiser.

Bernstein noted that she disagrees with Briggs and believes that all veterans, no matter the war in which they fought, are American veterans under U.S. law and should get equal respect. She pointed out that all that is on the headstones in Forest Hill Cemetery are the names, and she doesn't know of any culture that desecrates dead people. She expressed that we are in different times now, but they are sadder times. She mentioned that these men starved and died at Camp Randall, which was shut down for its terrible conditions. She related this to the Auschwitz concentration camp and pointed out that we have Holocaust monuments, but asked if we should also denounce and take them down because they were not Americans. She noted that in other cities, Confederate cemeteries are protected by the VA, and there is a VA executive order to clean and restore headstones in order to read the

names. She ended by saying that the government is supposed to protect history and the Commission should do what's right.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

1.51428138 S Franklin - Exterior Alteration in the First Settlement Hist. Dist.; 6th Ald.
Dist.

Daniel Gorman, registering in support and available to answer questions. Daniel Kornaus, registering in support and available to answer questions. Bert Stitt, registering neither in support nor in opposition, and wishing to speak.

A motion was made by Andrzejewski, seconded by Kaliszewski, to Approve the request for the Certificate of Appropriateness subject to staff report recommendations and conditions agreed upon by the Commission. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

2. <u>51179</u> 210 N Breese Terr. - Exterior alteration in the University Heights Hist. Dist.; 5th Ald. Dist.

Daniel Schwartz, registering in support and available to answer questions.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Kaliszewski, to Approve the request for the Certificate of Appropriateness subject to conditions agreed upon by the Commission, with a preference to restore the rear door and replacement as a second option with staff approval. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

3. <u>51559</u> 2006 Chadbourne - Exterior Alteration in the University Heights Hist. Dist.; 5th Ald. Dist.

Elizabeth Cwik, registering in support and available to answer questions. Jane Henning, registering in support and available to answer questions.

A motion was made by Kaliszewski, seconded by McLean, to Approve the request for the Certificate of Appropriateness. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

4. <u>51561</u> 921 Jenifer - Exterior Alteration in the Third Lake Ridge Hist. Dist.; 6th Ald. Dist.

Matt Aro, registering in support and wishing to speak. Erik Taske, registering in support and available to answer questions.

A motion was made by Andrzejewski, seconded by Arnesen, to Approve the request for the Certificate of Appropriateness subject to conditions agreed upon by the Commission during their discussion. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

ADVISORY RECOMMENDATIONS

5.51562118-126 State - Advisory Recommendation for development adjacent to
Landmark, 4th Ald. Dist.

Jeff Vercauteren, registering in support and wishing to speak. Kraig Kalashian, registering in support and wishing to speak. Eric Nordeen, registering in support and available to answer questions Matt Prescott, registering in support and available to answer questions. Tim Harrington, registering in support and wishing to speak. Grant Frautschi, registering in support and wishing to speak. Franny Ingebritson, registering in opposition and wishing to speak. Jeff Ripp, registering neither in support nor in opposition, and wishing to speak.

A motion was made by Rummel and seconded by Kaliszewski to refer the item to a future meeting. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

NEW BUSINESS

6. <u>51349</u> Adopting the City of Madison Comprehensive Plan.

A motion was made by Arnesen, seconded by Rummel, to Return to Lead for Approval with the Following Recommendation(s) to the PLAN COMMISSION 1) Correct the year the Landmarks Ordinance was created to 1971, not 1969 (p. 76).

2) Revise the wording in the paragraph regarding Action 2b (p. 76) to remove the phrase, "which has changed little during that time," update the second sentence to read: "The City in 2015 adopted a thorough revision of the Ordinance's provisions relating to process and procedure, and is currently updating the standards in each of the local historic districts," and add the phrase ", and recent state legislation." to the end of the third sentence.
3) Create an additional Action to address the relationship between the Zoning Code and Historic Preservation.

The motion passed by voice vote/other.

REGULAR BUSINESS

7. <u>47837</u> Landmarks Commission Historic Preservation Plan Status Report

Staff provided a brief recap of the most recent Community Gathering and provided a preview of upcoming meetings.

8. <u>50000</u> Secretary's Report

Staff noted that the WAPAC conference was held at the end of April. Kaliszewski announced that she is now on WAPAC.

9. <u>49999</u> Buildings Proposed for Demolition - 2018

A motion was made by McLean and seconded by Arnesen to recommend to the Plan Commission that the building at 4214 Doncaster Drive has no known historic value, and to refer review of the buildings at 118, 122, 124, and 126 State Street to a future meeting. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:00 pm.