



City of Madison

Meeting Minutes - Approved

LANDMARKS COMMISSION

City of Madison
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Monday, December 3, 2007

4:45 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room LL-130 (Madison Municipal Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 5 -

Daniel J. Stephans; Robin M. Taylor; Michael J. Rosenblum; Randall A. Page and Erica Fox Gehrig

Excused: 2 -

Brenda K. Konkell and Stuart Levitan

Guests: Ms. Carolyn Freiwald, Mr. Colin Godding, Mr. Michael Bridgeman

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There were no minutes submitted for approval.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS ITEM

1. [06956](#) Amending Section 28.04(22) of the Madison General Ordinances to change various provisions of the ordinance regulating the demolition of buildings.

A motion was made by Rosenblum, seconded by Stephans, to Rerefer to the January 14, 2008 LANDMARKS COMMISSION meeting. The motion passed byvoice vote/other.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

Preliminary Consideration of Landmark Nomination

2. [08313](#) Schubert Building, 120 W. Mifflin Street - preliminary consideration of Landmark nomination

A motion was made by Rosenblum, seconded by Gehrig, to Discuss and continue to hold a public hearing on the Landmark nomination. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Ms. Freiwald, the writer of the landmark nomination, spoke first. She said she was helped in her research by Ann Waidelich, Gary Tipler and Jack Holzhueter. She said she may have a better image for the interior soon. She said that she had always been fascinated by the building because it has served several uses important to the general population of

Madison, and was one of the most intact storefronts left in the downtown. The story of this building is the story of Madison's history.

Mr. Michael Bridgeman of the Trust spoke next. He said that he thought the building was also important because it was the work of an important local architect, Ferdinand Kronenberg, whose best work was done for commercial buildings.

Mr. Page said that he thought the block on which the Schubert building sits is very important to the character of downtown Madison. The Main Block at the top corner and the Castle and Doyle Buildings are already designated landmarks. Ms. Gehrig agreed saying that it is time for the preservation of State Street as a whole to be reexamined.

Consideration of Issuance of Certificate of Appropriateness

3. [08314](#) 127 S. Butler Street, First Settlement historic district - consideration of request for Certificate of Appropriateness for rear dormer and rebuilding of rear porch

A motion was made by Taylor, seconded by Gehrig, to Approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for this project, with the understanding that the final plans are submitted to Ms. Rankin for approval. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Mr. Godding, the architect, described the project, which is to change a hipped roof on the back of the house into a gable for more light and access to the third-floor unit to the ground. He said that he would comply with the requirements outlined in the First Settlement ordinance. He said they would match the wall materials in the other gables of the house.

Mr. Page said that he wished that more projects were this easy to determine to be appropriate.

OTHER BUSINESS

4. [07804](#) Secretary's Report

Mr. Page announced that he was soon to move to the west coast and hoped to be here long enough to deal with the revisions to the demolition ordinance. Ms. Taylor said that she had had dinner at the new restaurant in the Woman's Building and that the interior had turned out beautifully, especially the large leaded glass windows. Ms. Gehrig asked if Ms. Taylor had seen any displays on the history of the building, but Ms. Taylor was not certain. Ms. Rankin will check to see if the displays were a condition of approval by the Landmarks Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.