Landmarks Commission Meeting Minutes
Thursday August 11, 2022 – 6:30 pm
Hybrid

Members Present: Todd Hubing, Chair; Lisa Reeves, Secretary; Peggy Veregin; Greg Pigarelli, Vice-Chair; Kimberly Cook and Alan Hedstrom
Staff: Michael Stacey, Zoning Administrator
Absent: None
Guests: Don Dargel

1. **Call to order.** Hubing called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Hubing asked Veregin to take over as Chair of the meeting since he is connected via Zoom.

2. **Consider approval of the Landmarks Commission meeting minutes of July 14, 2022.**
   Motion by **Hedstrom** to approve the minutes as presented, 2nd by **Reeves.** Motion carried unanimously.

3. **Consider approval of the mini-grant project at 620 S. Prairie Street.**
   Veregin introduced the request. The Commission discussed the mini-grant project.

   Motion by **Hedstrom** to approve the mini-grant project as presented, 2nd **Cook**. Motion carried unanimously.

4. **Consider approval of the mini-grant project at 1009 Summit Avenue.**
   Veregin introduced the request. The Commission discussed the mini-grant project. Don Dargel provided details of the repairs.

   Motion by **Hedstrom** to approve the mini-grant project as presented, 2nd by **Reeves**. Motion carried unanimously.

5. **Consider approval of the mini-grant project at 255 E. Main Street.**
   Veregin introduced the request. The Commission discussed the mini-grant project.

   Motion by **Cook** to approve the mini-grant project as presented, 2nd by **Reeves**. Motion carried unanimously.

6. **Review Final Draft of the Main Street Historic District Design Guidelines.**
   The Commission discussed potential edits to the document as follows:

   Hubing suggested a different picture for figure 93 and label appropriately as appropriate or inappropriate.

   Stacey stated the title and introduction are confusing and should be changed to help distinguish the difference between the national register districts and the local landmark district.

   Veregin offered to edit the document and provide a copy to the Commissioners.

Veregin stated figure 38 is not new traditional and the group discussed a possible replacement picture.
Veregin stated figure 39 is not commercial vernacular.

The group discussed prism glass and the need to have its own section.

There was further discussion about the title of the document.

Consensus is: Historic Downtown Local District

The commission is in favor of Veregin providing the edits discussed to Stacey who will provide to Erica Ruggiero.

7. **Downtown Local District.** Nothing discussed.

8. **1892 High School.**
Hubing stated the 1892 High School is not part of the November school referendum. However, the school is seeking approval of $11.7 million to remove the old gym building and build a new gym.

Stacey stated the Redevelopment Authority (RDA) should be contacted about the old gym. Veregin plans to contact members of the RDA.

9. **Community Engagement.**
Veregin stated we need to get the 1892 Coalition back together and include the old gym in the discussion.

The group discussed the school's plans for the old gym site.

Veregin to contact the RDA.

The group discussed sending letters to the editor, a HUB article and attending a school board meeting to discuss the topic.

10. **Commemorative Signage for the Riverfront Redevelopment.**
Hubing attended the latest meeting in Veregin's absence. The committee discussed a plan for signage in phases to include pictures of the old buildings and a historic narrative. The committee will meet again in September to prioritize the first 2 sign locations.

11. **Discuss seeking new Commission members.**
Kristi Panthofer has officially resigned.

The group discussed possible replacements and ways to get the word out including the City website.

12. Commission Reports/Calendar.
Stacey stated Skaalen Home will be removing one home and Stoughton Hospital plans to remove 3 homes in the coming weeks.

13. Future agenda items. Nothing discussed.

14. Adjournment.
Motion by **Reeves** to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm, 2nd by **Hedstrom**. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael P. Stacey