

City of Racine Meeting Minutes - Final

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Landmarks Preservation Commission

Chairman Mary Whitman
Alderman Robert Anderson
Geoff Greiveldinger
Robert Hartmann
Don Rintz
Sally Sorenson
Paul Zens

Monday, October 8, 2007

4:30 PM

Meeting Room Racine Public Library 75 Seventh Street Racine, WI 53403

Chairman Whitman called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

PRESENT: 7 - Mary Whitman, Robert Anderson, Geoff Greiveldinger, Robert Hartmann,

Don Rintz, Sally Sorenson and Paul Zens

OTHERS PRESENT: Matthew Sadowski, Principal Planner

Traci Schnell of Heritage Research Ltd.

Emily Pettis of Mead & Hunt

Approval of Minutes for the September 10, 2007 Meeting

A motion was made by Don Rintz, seconded by Alderman Robert Anderson, that the minutes be Approved, as distributed. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

Correspondence

None

Buildings being razed

Commission Member Rintz requested that the house at 1317 Douglas Avenue be photographed.

New Business

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Commission Member Greiveldinger and seconded by Commission Member Hartmann that the firm of Mead & Hunt be selected to conduct the Northside Reconnaissance Survey for a cost of \$16,443.00.

Further, that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to enter into an agreement with Mead & Hunt to conduct the Northside Reconnaissance Survey.

07-1241

Subject: (Direct Referral) Review of consultant proposals to conduct the Northside Reconnaissance Survey.

Recommendation of the Landmarks Preservation Commission of 10-08-07: That the firm of Mead & Hunt be selected to conduct the Northside Reconnaissance Survey for a cost of \$16,443.00.

Further, that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to enter into an agreement with Mead & Hunt to conduct the Northside Reconnaissance Survey.

Fiscal Note: All consulting cost are reimbursed by a Wisconsin Historical Society sub-grant.

A motion was made by Geoff Greiveldinger, seconded by Robert Hartmann, that this item be Recommended For Adoption. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

Administrative Business

UPDATE ON LAKE AVENUE & 11TH STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

Alderman Anderson informed Commission members that despite a Plan Commission recommendation to the contrary, the Common Council had added to the rezoning ordinance the property located at 1121 Lake Avenue (a.k.a. the Lochnaiar). He stated that the ordinance will be presented to the Plan Commission at their meeting on October 31, 2007. Principal Planner Sadowski explained that a public hearing on the ordinance is scheduled before the Common Council for November 6, 2007.

UPDATE ON CANNONS

Commission Member Hartmann explained that persons stating that they represented the interests of the organization GAR (Grand Army of the Republic) have been present at the cannon task force meetings. He said that GAR representatives state the cannons are required to remain at Monument Square and that their organization is willing to take legal action to see that they are returned. He stated that the task force is seeking a legal opinion from the City Attorney as to the veracity GAR representative's assertion.

UPDATE ON REDESIGNATION LETTERS

Planner Sadowski stated that he has not had the opportunity to send out redesignation letters.

Chairman Whitman asked Commission members to consider adding other properties to this group; ones that would be known to have willing owners.

TAVERN AT 1423 STATE STREET

In response to Commission Members' inquiries, Commission Member Hartmann stated that he had toured the building with a client to ascertain the desirability for purchase and renovation. He stated that to his knowledge no decision has been made by the Redevelopment Authority to dispose of the property.

Adjournment

There being no further comments and hearing no objections, Chairman Whitman adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Matthew G. Sadowski, Secretary Principal Planner

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