



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Heritage Preservation Commission

Thursday, June 20, 2019

6:00 PM

3rd Floor Conference Room

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

Present: 5 - John J. Satory, Chris Kahlow, David Riel, Marcus Zettler, Laura Godden

Excused: 1 - Terence R. Collins

Absent: 1 - Frederick Beseler

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of the May 16, 2019 Meeting Minutes.

John Satory moved to approve the minutes. Marcus Zettler seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Agenda Items:

2. [19-0765](#) Nomination of the St. Johns Evangelical and Reformed Church, located at 630 West Ave S, to be designated as a Local Historic Landmark.

Marcus Zettler excused himself from the Commission and sat in the audience. David Riel moved to open a public hearing. John Satory seconded. The motion passed 4-0. John Parkyn spoke in favor of the nomination. John stated that he remembers a lot of structures in La Crosse that have been lost. He stated that this building is architecturally interesting and important to the social history of La Crosse as it was built between World War I & II. Marcus Zettler stated that this nomination was completed by the Preservation Alliance of La Crosse on behalf of the church. The church was designed by Rudolf Blatter Jr. who was born in La Crosse and was one of the architects responsible for the restoration of Colonial Williamsburg. The church is designed in the Colonial Revival style. It was built in 1925 and has its original woodwork. It also has its original pipe organ that has over 600 pipes. The church still has most of its original windows. An addition was constructed in 1961 for education purposes. The chapel is design in mid-century modern and is considered an appropriate addition. The building is being nominated for its architectural style, the work of a master architect, and for its association with the social history of La Crosse. Diane Cannon stated that its architectural style makes the building unique as it is not a typical style for churches. It is a great example of the building techniques of the day. No stained glass. it is a supreme example of a building that should be preserved. Laura Godden moved to close the public hearing. John Satory seconded. The motion passed 4-0. David Riel moved to accept the nomination as submitted. Laura Godden seconded. The motion passed 4-0. Council Member Chris Kahlow thanked the congregation for nominating their building. Marcus Zettler returned to the Commission.

3. [19-0631](#) Consideration and possible action on three neighborhood center zoning overlay districts at Bridgeview Plaza, Monitor and Rose Street and Western and the Neighborhood area east of Western Technical College to West Ave.

Staff provided an overview of the maps and what information was being shown. Chris Kahlow stated that she had talked to Jason Gilman and he stated that he was open to expanding the district to both sides of 8th Street. A list of the high integrity parcels depicted on the map would be listed as not included in the overlay district.

Adjournment

John Satory moved to adjourn the meeting. Laura Godden seconded. The motion passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

Notice is further given that members of other governmental bodies may be present at the above scheduled meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.

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