



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Heritage Preservation Commission

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Special Meeting

In efforts to reduce the spread of COVID-19, the Heritage Preservation Commission meeting will be conducted through video conferencing. The meeting can be viewed by clicking this link (or typing the URL in your web browser address bar):
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Members of the public will also be able to attend the meeting in person. The meeting will be held in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 400 La Crosse Street. Social Distancing policies will be followed.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm.

Present: 6 - Terence R. Collins, John J. Satory, Chris Kahlow, David Riel, Marcus Zettler, Laura Godden

Excused: 1 - Janet Allen

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of the August 20, 2020 Meeting Minutes.

John Satory moved to approve the minutes. Laura Godden seconded. The

motion passed 6-0 by voice vote.

Agenda Items:

2. [20-0300](#) Nomination of the John Torrance House, located at 726 Cameron Avenue, to be designated as a Local Historic Landmark.

Terry Collins moved to approve the nomination as submitted meeting the criteria that it is associated with events or persons who have made a significant contribution to the history, heritage, or culture of La Crosse, the criteria that it embodies the distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type or specimen inherently valuable, and the criteria that it is a representative of the notable work of a master builder, designer, or architect whose individual work is significant in the development of the City, State, or nation. Marcus Zettler seconded. The motion passed 6-0 by voice vote.

3. [20-1172](#) Nomination of the Fall-Lamb House, located at 122 10th Street S, to be designated as a Local Historic Landmark.

David Riel moved to approve the nomination as submitted meeting the criteria that it is associated with events or persons who have made a significant contribution to the history, heritage, or culture of La Crosse, the criteria that it embodies the distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type or specimen inherently valuable to the City, State, or Nation. Terry Collins seconded. The motion passed 6-0 by voice vote.

4. [20-1173](#) Nomination of the Northern States Power Building, located at 122 5th Avenue N, to be designated as a Local Historic Landmark.

Marcus Zettler abstained from this item. David Riel moved to approve the nomination as submitted meeting the criteria that it is associated with events or persons who have made a significant contribution to the history, heritage, or culture of La Crosse, the criteria that it embodies the distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type or specimen inherently valuable, the criteria that it is a representative of the notable work of a master builder, designer, or architect whose individual work is significant in the development of the City, State, or nation, and the criteria that it exemplifies or reflects the broad cultural, political, economic or social history of the Nation, State, or Community. John Satory seconded. The motion passed 5-0 by voice vote. Zettler abstained.

5. List of most threatened Historic Resources in La Crosse Project

Marcus Zettler returned to the Commission.

Staff asked the Commission for their top 2-3 choices. Marcus Zettler moved to approve the Commission's choices for the list of threatened and/or endangered properties. David Riel seconded. The motion passed 6-0. The Commission then selected 1339 Caledonia Street, 612 Ferry Street, 601-603 3rd Street S, 119-121 3rd Street S, 703 & 713 Cass Street, 503 Caledonia Street, 231 13th Street S, and 1218 & 1222 Vine Street from the list. Staff asked the Commission what information they wanted to include. The suggested format was to include the date and/or period when built, a short history of who owned it and the business/use, explanation of why it is endangered, a historic photo and a current photo, and the building historic status. CM Kahlow asked if the list should always remain at 10 properties. David Riel and Laura Godden both

agreed that the list should remain flexible each year. John Satory stated that is should remain at 10. John Satory moved to approve the list of 10 properties and the format. David Riel seconded. The motion passed by voice vote 6-0.

6. Discussion on 2022 Capital Budget requests.

Staff asked the Commission to start thinking of Capital Budget requests for 2022. Staff stated that the Commission should identify projects early enough so staff has enough time to obtain accurate cost estimates and project specifics to submit competitive requests. Suggested projects included historic street signage, sign projects around the City with before and after photos or historic information, or National Register nominations.

7. Discussion and possible action on changing the monthly meeting date and/or time.

Staff stated to the Commission that a different day of the month was needed in order to accommodate any required public hearings. Currently the Board of Park Commissioners has the Common Council chambers reserved the third Thursday of the month. Staff provided several days of the month that were available. John Satory moved to permanently move the monthly meeting of the Heritage Preservation Commission to the fourth Thursday of the month at 6pm. Terry Collins seconded. The motion passed 6-0 by voice vote.

8. October 2020 Meeting Agenda.

October meeting agenda items include continued work on the list of endangered properties and Capital Budget 2022 requests discussion.

Adjournment

John Satory moved to adjourn the meeting. Davie Riel seconded. The motion passed 6-0 by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42pm.

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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