



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes

Heritage Preservation Commission

Thursday, July 19, 2018

7:00 PM

3rd Floor Conference Room

Draft until approved at the August 16 Meeting

Call to Order

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of the February 15, 2018 Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Manke, seconded by Clemence, that the minutes be approved . The motion carried by voice vote.

2. Approval of the June 21, 2018 Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Clemence, seconded by Kahlow, that the minutes be approved with David Riel abstaining. The motion carried by voice vote.

Agenda Items:

3. [18-1030](#) Review of a Certificate of Recommendation for the Wendell Anderson Bandstand located within Riverside Park at 520 Veterans Memorial Drive.

Attachments: [Application](#)
[Riverside Park Bandstand Renovation 3D Images](#)
[Riverside Park Bandstand Renovation Drawings](#)

Roald Gundersen provided information on building the bandshell over the existing bandstand, preserving the existing structure. The project would provide better acoustics, protect equipment from weather and create an iconic design. The design would resemble the design of the bridges, but preserves the backdrop of the existing bandstand. The structure would protect the stage from rain, snow and will work together with the improvements of the bandstand by the Park Board. Kahlow noted she saw the design at the last meeting. Riel asked if it was an art deco design. Roald indicated it would be with the shell being distinctly different, but complimentary, adding an additional historic context with the lumber history and use of logs from the City. Riel asked about the edge design. Roald noted the sound wave, decorative motif connected with music and fish scale roof. Riel stated hed like to see more art deco but agrees with the needed contrast. John Satory researched the Anderson family over the past 20 years and noted the design detracts from the original historic aspect of the building. He noted we need a shell, but a smaller one that can be removed. He feels he should speak for the family who is not here to speak. This was also a memorial to Wendell who brought John Nolen for the park planning among other

things. Overall, he stated the design detracts from the original historic building. CM Olson asked if the shell can be removed without damaging the bandstand. Roald stated yes. Riel asked if more art deco would be better. John Satory worried about weather, high winds and Riverfest. CM Olson stated this is more of an Inspection issue. Dave Clements a structure that is going up and down is more of an issue with high winds and a permanent structure is more stable. He noted the bandstand is also used all year. Putting a shell up and down would be a burden for the City. He stated the design compliments La Crosse's history with the timber, lumber and bridge reference. This project is trying to deliver something better for the community. Riel stated it is better to tie in the design with the building than the bridges and lumber, but that there should still be a distinction between the old and new with more art deco elements. Jay Odegard noted Parks is very fortunate to have a group working to do this for the City, but that it will still have to go to the Parks Board. CM Olson stated she thought it was going to the 7-19 meeting. Jay Odegard stated other projects were on the agenda and there may have been a miscommunication. It will be on the next meeting. Terry Bauer stated he supported the bandstand improvements at the Park Board and that a shell will only enhance the restoration. Most events at Riverside Park will always be at Riverside and for acoustical purposes, a shell is desired. Kahlow and Manke moved to approve as submitted. Manke indicated not everyone will agree on the design. He feels the design actually enhances the features of the bandstand, keeping it different enough to separate it which is desirable. Kahlow stated she loves the design with the different materials bringing the existing structure to the forefront, enhancing the historical features. Riel stated thank you to the group, but would like to see more art deco features. Since it is around the existing building and not touching, he is willing to support it as it is reversible. Clemence asked if he wanted to change the motion. Riel indicated no, but encourages subtle changes. CM Olson noted there are more stages of approval if there are substantial changes, it would have to come back to the HPC. On voice vote, the motion carried, 5-0.

A motion was made by Kahlow, seconded by Manke, that this Application be approved as submitted . The motion carried by voice vote.

4. [18-1033](#)

Review of a Certificate of Recommendation for a proposed band shell over the Wendell Anderson Bandstand in Riverside Park located at 520 Veterans Memorial Drive.

Attachments: [Bandshell application and plans](#)

Mike Swinghammer noted the bid set and schedule to start over winter with completion by June, noting the benches have already been acquired, to be set in a circle close to the stage. Work with Winona Lighting to put in the historic lighting, brass fittings are missing but will replace. Original building paint removed, concrete and tuckpointing work. New materials will be limestone which will be a nice contrast to the existing platform. Landscaping with brick pavers of a different color, and no tress will be taken down as they will maintain the existing grade. There was a motion to amend by Clemence, Seconded by Kahlow to ask Riel to be the liaison to take the brick color, shape and patten to Parks. The amended motion carried 5-0. CM Olson asked about the bandshell detail. Swinghammer noted details in bid package, wanting to maintain a deep color of terra cotta noting they had the option of reviewing final colors with the final selection being made after the bid. Manke asked about the material of the stage. Swinghammer noted concrete pavers on a concrete slab on gravel. Barb Kooimann asked about the basement. Swinghammer indicated floor of original structure is on sand and will be rebuilt and basement will be filled with sand as it is not used. Satory noted wheel chair ramps blocking the stairs to the basement anyway Swinghammer confirmed. Satory supports project, only having a problem with the

proposed shell.

A motion was made by Riel, seconded by Clemence, that this Application be APPROVED . The motion carried by voice vote.

5. [18-1034](#)

Review, Discussion and Possible Action on the Architectural and Historical Intensive Survey Draft Report and Project.

Attachments: [LaX Survey DRAFT report 6.21.18](#)

Barb Kooiman indicated the report is no longer a draft. All sections are done. Included is an appendix with w potential eligible properties. Barb explained the properties surveyed noting the churches and cemetery cant be listed. Few farmettes and adjustment left.

A motion was made by Clemence, seconded by Riel, the Review of Plans be REFER for 60 days to review and fulfill the contract. The motion carried on voice vote.

6. Discussion and possible action on the exterior change to 212-214 9th Street S.

A motion was made by Kahlow, seconded by Manke, that NO RECOMMENDATION be made but that an OTC is to occur in coordination with staff.

7. Discussion and possible action on changing the time and/or day of the month of the Heritage Preservation Commiission's monthly meeting.

The preferred time for future meetings is the 3rd Monday of the month.

A motion was made by Kahlow, seconded by Riel to recommend future meetings on the 3rd Monday of the month. The motion carried by voice vote.

Adjournment

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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