



# City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

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400 La Crosse Street  
La Crosse, WI 54601

## Meeting Minutes

### Heritage Preservation Commission

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Thursday, June 23, 2022

6:00 PM Council Chambers- Grandad Room- 400 La Crosse Street

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### Call to Order

**Mindel called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm**

### Roll Call

**Present:** 6 - David Riel, Laura Godden, Janet Allen, Jennifer Morris, Mackenzie Mindel, Monica Gorski

**Absent:** 1 - John J. Satory

### Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of the May 26, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

*Mindel suggested referring the minutes to the next meeting in order to figure out the referral length of agenda item 4.*

**Gorski motioned to approve the minutes, Allen seconded. No vote was taken.**

### Agenda Items:

2. [21-0595](#) Review of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the property located at 1024 Cass Street in the 10th and Cass Historic District. (James Vincent House)

**Attachments:** [Revised Accessory Structure Plans- 6-23-22](#)  
[Revised Accessory Structure Plot Plan- 6-23-22](#)  
[Revised Staff Report 6-23-22](#)  
[Applications](#)  
[Cover Sheet](#)  
[Cross Sections](#)  
[Elevations \(1\)](#)  
[Elevations \(2\)](#)  
[Foundation Plan](#)  
[Main Floor Plan](#)  
[Upper Floor Plan](#)  
[Staff Report](#)  
[COA-Approval.pdf](#)  
[Height Approval.pdf](#)

*Owner said the plan reduces the size and scale of the building to fit the property better. The smaller house behind the property would not be demolished, but the garage that it is replacing would be. Riel stated that the design fits the aesthetics of the district. Owner said the finish would include stone and LP on the front, vinyl siding, and shakes on the gables. The building would follow setback requirements for accessory buildings. the Driveway was redone recently, but some of it would have to be ripped up for construction. Landscaping would stay, and limestone pavers would mostly remain.*

**Riel motioned to open a public hearing, Allen seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.**

**Riel motioned to close the public hearing, Gorski seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.**

**Gorski motioned to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness on the condition that it is approved by Community Risk Management, Allen seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.**

**3. [22-0852](#)**

Review of a Certificate of Appropriateness for an awning at 221 Pearl Street. (Downtown District)

**Attachments:** [SPP Application](#)  
[Sign Plans](#)  
[Staff Report](#)

*Zettler stated that nothing is left of original facade after 1950's remodel. The renovation would go over the 1950's brick and can be undone in the future. Markos' facade would be two-tone aluminum panels; the sign is letters from their Valley View Mall store from the 1980's with LEDs replacing the neon lights, similar to Qdoba's "Mexican Grill" letters size. Sign may be prohibited by code. Extending the fire escape to the 3rd floor is part of a future phase. Zettler may be able to adjust the panel colors, blending new and old, after discussing with the owner.*

**Gorski motioned to approve, Allen seconded. The motion carried by a voice**

vote.

4. [22-0857](#) Review of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the property located at 305-307 Pearl Street.

**Attachments:** [Staff Report](#)  
[South Facade Rendering/Plan](#)  
[Example Metal Cornice](#)  
[Markos Historic Storefront](#)

Riel motioned to open a public hearing, Gorski seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Riel motioned to close the public hearing, Allen seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Riel motioned to approve the facade and awning with the condition that the awning is approved by Community Risk Management and Board of Public Works, seconded by Allen. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Riel motioned to approve the sign with the condition that it meets the Heritage Preservation Planner's interpretation of the Historic Overlay Zoning District requirements, Gorski seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

5. Lost La Crosse Project Update

*No update*

6. [22-0856](#) Discussion on the August 2021 Certificate of Appropriateness decision by the HPC regarding 123-125 3rd Street S.

**Attachments:** [8-26-21 Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

*Commissioners recalled that Satory felt appearance of north wall of Library Bar was not in keeping with the Certificate of Approval. Godden said it was supposed to be brick, but looks like red concrete block. Riel recalled that applicant said using brick would be double the cost of stucco. Godden said this wall was a lot more visible than other sidewalls that were stucco. Commissioners recalled that staff was unsure about whether the recording of the meeting is enforceable if the meeting minutes were approved. Riel suggested that going forward, the Commission should request to see materials. Zettler added that requesting a mockup 2x2 ft. example is a common requirement for NPS projects. Mindel suggested having staff look into whether minutes can be changes based on recording.*

## Adjournment

*Mindel adjourned the meeting at 7:12 pm.*

*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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Heritage Preservation Commission Members

CM Mackenzie Mindel, David Riel, Laura Godden, John Satory, Janet Allen, Jennifer Morris, Monica Gorski