

City of Milwaukee

200 E. Wells Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

Meeting Minutes HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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Monday, June 14, 2010 4:00 PM Room 301-B, City Hall

Meeting convened: 4:04 P.M.

Present: 5 - Balon, Pieper Eisenbrown, Jarosz, Bauman, Bryant

Absent: 1 - Ackerman

Excused: 1 - Nemec

1. Review and approval of the minutes of the May 17th meeting.

Ms. Balon moved, seconded by Mr. Jarosz, for approval of the minutes. There were no objections.

2. 100210

Resolution relating to a Certificate of Appropriateness for exterior renovation to the building at 1696 N. Astor St (Astor Theater) in the 3rd Aldermanic District (Brady Street Historic District).

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Paul Jakubovich gave a presentation on the project. Individuals present: Michael Glorioso - building owner Dana Hitch and Dave Kraul - project managers

The project managers will work on the location of downspots to minimize building discoloration and discharge onto Brady St. and also think about adding transparency or windows at the corner. The Board, however, has no authority to require that additional windows be added.

Mr. Bryant recommend planting vines on both wall sides to soften the walls (planting the vines on Astor St. and letting them encircle the building).

The owner noted that the money is being spent on the interior of the building, rather than the exterior, which is having minimal changes done (including removal of the art deco awning which is in need of repair).

Ms. Balon liked the addition of the outside seating area and feels that will make the facade of the building a liltle more pedestrian-friendly.

Mr. Jarosz moved to accept the proposed changes, with correct elevations, lighting components, sign changes and proposed plantings, to be approved by staff. There was no second.

Mr. Bryant moved to deny, seconded by Ald. Bauman. Prevailed. 4-1 (Mr. Jarosz voting "no").

Board members presented suggestions to the building owner and project managers and discussed the art deco awning.

The owner said that he is willing to consider changes to be brought again before the Board.

Reconsider, by Ald. Bauman. Seconded by Mr. Bryant. Prevailed. 5-0

Hold to the call of the chair, by Mr. Bryant. Seconded by Mr. Jarosz. Prevailed. 5-0

A motion was made by Randy Bryant, seconded by Matt Jarosz, that this Resolution be HELD IN COMMITTEE. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Balon, Pieper Eisenbrown, Jarosz, Bauman, and Bryant

No: 0

Excused: 2 - Nemec, and Ackerman

Roll call taken at 5:15 P.M.

Present: 4 - Balon, Pieper Eisenbrown, Jarosz, Bryant

Absent: 1 - Ackerman

Excused: 2 - Nemec, Bauman

3. Update on the Veteran's Administration property.

Ms. Hatala has not yet drafted the letter on behalf of the Board as the staff office was moved since the previous meeting.

Ms. Balon noted that this year's crowds for "Preserve Our Heritage" were disappointing as all of the buildings, except the library, were closed, which resulted in disappointment and anger by those present. Mr. Jarosz said that other organizations are getting their letters in relating to proposed changes on the Veteran's Administration (VA) grounds.

Ms. Hatala noted that the assisted living facility on the VA grounds is presently on hold. Ms. Balon is concerned that there are a lot of proposed sites for the assisted living facility being proposed with no official word on what will actually be taking place.

Ms. Hatala will draft the letter on behalf of the Board prior to the next meeting.

4. 100139

Substitute resolution relating to Certificates of Appropriateness approved at the Historic Preservation Commission meeting of June 14, 2010.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Mr. Bryant objects to the granting of the COA for 2348 N. Terrace Ave., which is the adjoining neighbor of Mr. Bryant. Mr. Jakubovich will call the owner and staff will re-visit this certificate. Staff will review the location of the fence as well as drainage onto adjacent properties.

A motion was made by Randy Bryant, seconded by Matt Jarosz, that this Resolution be ADOPTED. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Balon, Pieper Eisenbrown, Jarosz, and Bryant

No: 0

Excused: 3 - Nemec, Ackerman, and Bauman

Meeting adjourned: 5:29 P.M. Linda M. Elmer Staff Assistant