

January 4, 2022

Assistant City Attorney
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Re: Resolution relating to the Permanent Historic Designation of the William Spence House Number 1 at 2275 N. Summit Avenue in the 3rd Ald. District

Resolution relating to the Permanent Historic Designation of the William Spence House Number 2 at 2279 N. Summit Avenue in the 3rd Ald. District

Dear Mr. McKenzie:

We are counsel for E North, LLC ("E North"), the current property owner of those certain parcels located at 2275 and 2279 N. Summit Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin (the "Property"). The Property is scheduled for permanent historic designation at the January 10th meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission. The Historic Preservation Commission previously approved a temporary historic designation for the Property, which is in the vicinity of the North Point South Historic District.

Staff is presently preparing a study report for expansion of the North Point South Historic District in the area of the Property and while no timeline has been established for the expansion, it is anticipated to proceed during 2022.

We believe that the record and testimony pertaining to the expansion of the North Point South Historic District will also be germane to the determination on permanent historic designation of the Property. The owner of the Property wishes to waive the 180-day effective period applicable to temporary designations as set forth in MCO Sec. 320-21-d in order to allow the permanent historic designation of the Property to be considered in conjunction with the proposed expansion of the North Point South District.

You previously indicated that Historic Preservation Commission staff is concerned that if 180 days from the day of Commission's decision granting the temporary designation passes, that the Property could be demolished.

In order to address that concern, the owner of the Property will agree to take no action to partially or wholly demolish the structures located on the Property prior to December 31, 2022 or the date of the Historic Preservation Commission's decision on the expansion of the North Point South Historic District and the permanent designation of the Property; whichever shall first occur.



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The foregoing commitment can be memorialized either by stipulation of counsel or pursuant to a formal agreement between the City and the owner of the Property. Please share this proposal with the Historic Preservation Commission and Commission staff and advise us of your response.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL BEST & FRIEDRICH LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Thomas O. Gartner', written in a cursive style.

Thomas O. Gartner
Senior Counsel

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