

Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

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HPC meeting date: 3/11/2013 Ald. Robert Bauman District: 4 Staff reviewer: Paul Jakubovich

PTS #85959

Property 427 W. JUNEAU AV.

The former Gipfel brewery, an individually-designated historic building

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Proposal Per HPC staff recommendation, remove individual designation from the building

which was completely razed following its slow deterioration after being moved to a

temporary holding site.

Staff comments The preservation ordinance now allows for the de-listing of individually-designated

buildings that have been completely destroyed by fires and natural catastrophes. The former Gipfel Brewery, built in the 1850's, was moved from its original site to a vacant piece of land on the path of the former Park East Freeway where it stood on wooden cribbing for an extended period of time. Although this was meant as a temporary holding site for the building, a permanent site was never secured.

This building slowly deteriorated and it was then condemned and razed by the City of Milwaukee. The lot where the building was originally located is vacant today and the designation serves no purpose at present or for future redevelopment. If approved by the HPC, the proposal will proceed to the Zoning and Neighborhood Development Committee for recommendation to the full Milwaukee Common Council which in turn

will vote on the de-listing.

Recommendation Recommend HPC Approval

Conditions

Previous HPC action

Previous Council action