

City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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3:00 PM

City Hall, Room 301-A

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Meeting convened: 3:09 P.M.

Present: 4 - Pieper Eisenbrown, Jarosz, Bauman, Peltz

Excused: 2 - Keating Kahn, Garcia

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Resolution relating to the Permanent Historic Designation of the South Superior St. Puddlers' Cottages Historic District on the east side of Superior St. between E. Russell Ave. and E. Ontario St. excluding 2538 S. Superior St. in the 14th Ald. District

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Mr. Tim Askin said the area has 7 houses and a few garages. The houses were made more affordable by Milwaukee Iron Company, which was the largest employer at one time in Milwaukee County. A small village of 700-800 inhabitants sprung up and these 7 houses were part of the original village, built by and for the Milwaukee Iron Company. The houses do have National Historic Registration status and what was present in 1892 is substantially the same as today. For 2530 S. Superior, a carriage barn was part of the property and a number of horse-drawn vehicles, indicating some wealth. As built, the cottages have a simple gable roof that provide for an attic, with three narrow windows across the front facade. This is what survives of the early history of Bay View. Many of the original Bay View homes have been substantially altered either in size or character.

Staff recommends designation based on e-1, e-5 and e-8.

Ms. Pieper Eisenbrown moved, seconded by Mr. Jarosz, to open the public hearing. Joseph Paterick - nominator - the carriage barn is the only one left in Bay View Jeffrey Reinbold - owns 2508 S. Superior - they have done extensive renovations. There were a number of porches added/removed/enclosed and all the homes are different than they were originally and have different entrances, brick, window, etc. Out of the 7 houses, 3 have added second stories and one has a porch removed. He does not support the designation. He also notes that the owners of 2512 don't support the designation.

Jeremy Ebersole - Milwaukee Preservation Alliance - he supports the designation Joel Bohlen - owner - disagrees with the designation as the houses have been heavily modified and only the original roof lines remain.

Atty. Samantha Huddlestone - representing 2530 S. Superior - object to the designation. She believes the house will be harder to sell.

Mr. Jarosz moved, seconded by Ms. Pieper Eisenbrown, to close the public hearing. Mr. Jarosz moved to approve the designation, based on e-1, e-5 and e-8, seconded by Ms. Peltz.

A motion was made by Matt Jarosz, seconded by Sally Peltz, that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION AND ASSIGNED to the ZONING, NEIGHBORHOODS & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE . This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Pieper Eisenbrown, Jarosz, Bauman, and Peltz

No: 0

Excused: 2 - Keating Kahn, and Garcia

Meeting adjourned: 4:05 P.M. Linda M. Elmer Staff Assistant