

ELGIN HERITAGE COMMISSION

Tuesday, July 7, 2020
7:00pm

City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor North Tower
150 Dexter Court, Elgin, IL 60120

AGENDA

- A. Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call
- B. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. June 16, 2020
- C. Recognize Persons Present
- D. Plaque Applications
 - None
- E. Old Business
 - 1. Reports from Neighborhood Groups on Heritage Related Activities
 - 2. 2020 Elgin Heritage Commission Goals
 - a. Historic Resources Survey (*No update*)
 - b. Spring-Douglas Historic District Walking Tour
 - c. Elgin Historic District and Landmark Design Guidelines (*No update*)
 - d. Mayor's Awards for Preservation 2020
 - e. Historic Rehabilitation Grants
- F. New Business
- G. Other Business
- H. Adjournment

THE CITY OF ELGIN IS SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990. INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO PLAN TO ATTEND THIS MEETING AND WHO REQUIRED CERTAIN ACCOMMODATIONS IN ORDER TO ALLOW THEM TO OBSERVE AND/OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, OR WHO HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THE ACCESSIBILITY OF THE MEETING OR THE FACILITIES, ARE REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, ADA COORDINATOR AT (847) 931-5620 {TDD (847) 931-5616} PROMPTLY TO ALLOW THE CITY OF ELGIN TO MAKE REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THOSE PERSONS.

City of Elgin
Elgin Heritage Commission
June 16, 2020

Proposed Minutes

- A.** The meeting of the Elgin Heritage Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers by Chairman John Wiedmeyer.
1. **Members Present:** Brian Anderson, Len Govednik, Rebecca Hunter, John Marston, John Regan (7:01), George Rowe, Scott Savel, Steve Thoren, and John Wiedmeyer
 2. **Members Absent:** None
 3. **City Staff Present:** Christen Sundquist, Historic Preservation Planner
- B. Approval of Minutes:**
1. A motion was made by Commissioner Rowe to approve the March 3, 2020 minutes with the following corrections: E.1.A replace the word “down” with “done.” The motion was seconded by Commissioner Marston.
The motion passed 8-0-1 (Govednik abstained).
- C. Recognize Persons Present:** None
- D. Plaque applications:**
1. 364 Division Street – The plaque nomination received the following average scores: Historic Significance 9.43; Architectural Significance: 8.71; Current Maintenance: 9.29. A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson to approve awarding the plaque for the property with the inscription that would read A. & M. (Alfred and Mary) Church, 1887. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Govednik.
The motion passed 7-0-2 (Hunter and Savel abstained).
 2. 112-114 N. Spring Street – The plaque nomination received the following average scores: Historic Significance 7.29; Architectural Significance: 6.71; Current Maintenance: 7.43.
A motion was made by Commissioner Rowe to approve awarding the plaque for the property with the inscription that would read O. D. (Oscar Dale) Mulliken, 1938. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson.
The motion passed 7-0-2 (Hunter and Savel abstained).
 3. 377 Vincent Place – The plaque nomination received the following average scores: Historic Significance 7.5; Architectural Significance: 8.13; Current Maintenance: 8.13. A motion was made by Commissioner Savel to approve awarding the plaque for the property with the inscription that would read W. & R. (William and Rose) Schuchert, 1927.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Govednik.

The motion passed 8-0-1 (Hunter abstained).

4. 335 N. Commonwealth Avenue – The plaque nomination received the following average scores: Historic Significance 7.38; Architectural Significance: 7.38; Current Maintenance: 8.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Savel to approve awarding the plaque for the property with the inscription that would read J. & M. (John and Minnie) Krause, 1932.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson.

The motion passed 8-0-1 (Hunter abstained).

5. 955 Wing Street – The plaque nomination received the following average scores: Historic Significance 7.75; Architectural Significance: 7.38; Current Maintenance: 8.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Rowe to approve awarding the plaque for the property with the inscription that would read E. & M. (Edward and Marion) Geister, 1954.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson.

The motion passed 8-0-1 (Hunter abstained).

6. 120 Tennyson Court – The plaque nomination received the following average scores: Historic Significance 7.00; Architectural Significance: 7.38; Current Maintenance: 7.88.

A motion was made by Commissioner Savel to approve awarding the plaque for the property with the inscription that would read T. M. (Thomas M.) Dougherty, 1898.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Marston.

The motion passed 8-0-1 (Hunter abstained).

7. *Replacement Plaques*

A motion was made by Commissioner Rowe to approve the replacements of three plaques including 384 Division Street, 363 Prairie Street and 106 N. Porter Street.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Savel.

The motion passed unanimously.

E. Old Business

1. Reports from Neighborhood Groups on Heritage Related Activities

- a. Commissioner Rowe noted that the work at 302 W. Chicago Street (Nancy Kimball House) is progressing nicely. The electrical is almost complete, and the front door and door surround has been installed. In addition, Dan Miller has volunteered an extensive amount of time to trim out the doors and windows as well as construct an appropriate rear entrance door.

2. 2020 Elgin Heritage Commission Goals

- a. Historic Resources Survey

No update.

- b. Spring-Douglas Historic District Walking Tour

Staff stated that the walking tour was uploaded to the HistoricElgin website.

- c. Elgin Historic District and Landmark Design Guidelines

Staff is preparing to present the updated guidelines to council early fall.

3. Mayor's Awards for Preservation 2020

- a. A motion was made by Commissioner Savel to untable the review of Patrick Mueller and Eric Nalepka's Mayor's Award nomination.
The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunter.
The motion passed unanimously.
- i. Patrick Mueller and Eric Nalepka
For their rehabilitation of the exterior and interior of 14-16 S. Chapel Street.
A motion was made by Commissioner Regan to recommend the nomination for a general Mayor's Award.
The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunter.
The motion passed unanimously.
- b. Re-design of Mayor's Awards Certificate
Staff showed the Commission a proposed re-design of the awards certificate which modernizes the design.
A motion was made by Commissioner Savel to approve the re-design.
The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thoren.
The motion passed unanimously.
- c. Staff noted that she has to look into logistics of the Mayor's Awards and what Phase 4 will allow. The Commission asked staff to see if the caterer could provide boxed food and if we are able to reschedule the event for 2021 if we are not able to host the event this year. The Commission also wanted staff to look into broadcasting the event so those who would not be allowed to come could stream the event if they wish.

F. New Business

1. Adopt Chapter 3.03.130 titled "Electronic Attendance at Meetings" of the Elgin Municipal Code.
A motion was made by Commissioner Regan to adopt Chapter 3.03.130 titled "Electronic Attendance at Meetings" of the Elgin Municipal Code.
The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunter.
The motion passed unanimously.
2. Historic Rehabilitation Grant Review
Staff noted that she is scheduling the Historic Rehabilitation Grant Review for Tuesday, June 23rd directly after the Design Review Subcommittee meeting. She asked if the Heritage Commission members are available to please attend and be a part of the grant review.

G. Other Business

None

H. Adjournment

A motion was made by Commissioner Savel to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thoren and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christen Sundquist". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Christen Sundquist, Historic Preservation Planner
Community Development Department

Approved: