MINUTES HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

February 11, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER

The February meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was called to order on Thursday, February 11, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Barbara Buschman.

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Buschman, Batistich, Cummins, Flynn, Schwartz and Yates present. Commissioner Roy absent. Heather Valone, Village Planner, Eileen Donahue, Human Resources Generalist for the Village, and Trustee Liaison Ronald Stapleton were also present.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Cummins, seconded by Mr. Schwartz, to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2016 meeting. Voice vote: 5 ayes. Motion passed.

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Eileen Donahue, Human Resources, explained the need for all commissioners to complete the Open Meetings Act electronic training which is required once during their term of appointment.

V. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Certificate of Economic Hardship for the demolition of old St. Patrick School and convent (220 E. Illinois) also known as St. James Academy

A letter dated February 3, 2016 from Thomas Moore, attorney for the parish, was submitted requesting deferral for an additional 30 days for the parish to consider a revised proposal for acquisition of the St. James Building.

Motion by Mr. Flynn, seconded by Mr. Batistich, to open the discussion. Voice vote: 6 ayes. Motion passed. Commissioners saw no reason not to continue the hearing until the March meeting. Motion by Mr. Cummins, seconded by Mr. Flynn to continue the Public Hearing until March 10, 2016. Voice vote: 6 ayes. Motion passed.

VI. APPLICATIONS

A. Certificate of Appropriateness for construction of a new 3-unit residential building at 510 Illinois Street.

Commissioners had previously reviewed drawings for the new construction and issued a Certificate in October, 2015. During the review process, changes to the windows, doors, and roof line were required. Heather Valone and Simon Batistich presented the revisions which included the addition of dormer windows front and rear elevations, changing the entrance to the garden apartment to a private entry on the garden level, instead of shared entry from the first floor. Changes to the roof line were also pointed out. Colors were not discussed as part of this review. Motion by Mr. Cummins, seconded by Mr. Schwartz, to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for the revised new construction at 510 Illinois Street, per drawings submitted and dated February 1, 2016. Voice vote: 5 ayes. Mr. Batistich abstained. Motion passed.

VII. PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR COMMENTS

A. National Register Application

Heather Valone announced that the preliminary review of the application for National Register designation for the core commercial portion of the Historic District had been completed. The application form required information on the secondary style for each

building. Although the information was available for some of the buildings from the Granacki Survey, many did not identify the secondary style. Commissioners looked at approximately 8 of the buildings and forms and asked that Heather Valone send the remaining forms and photos to them to allow time for in depth review and more accurate comment. Commissioners asked whether the Preservation Agency had issued style definitions and were told there was no standardized listing by the Agency.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

VIII. ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Flynn, seconded by Mr. Batistich, to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Voice vote: 6 ayes. Meeting adjourned.