EAU CLAIRE LANDMARKS COMMISSION

Meeting of October 1, 2018

Members Present: John Mann, Jane Seymour Kunick, Ken Ziehr, Dave Strobel

Members Absent: Dale Poynter, Joan Myers, Brady Foust

Visitors: Patrick Kurtenbach, Janice Wnukowski

The meeting was chaired by John Mann in the Chippewa Room of the L.E. Phillips Public Library and called to order at 4:30 p.m.

Minutes: The minutes of the August 6, 2018 meeting were approved as written.

1. Consideration of a Certificate of Appropriateness for 1705 Park Avenue. The Commission reviewed an application submitted to restore the front portico/entryway at 1705 Park Avenue. Patrick Kurtenbach, the owner of the property was present at the meeting and discussed the project and details of the restoration. He noted that a metal railing might be added to the top if he can find documentation that such railing was originally on the entryway. He indicated that he planned on starting work this fall with completion in 2019.

ACTION TAKEN: Ken Ziehr moved to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness. Jane Seymour Kunick seconded the motion. All votes were in favor. Motion carried.

2. Public Hearing and consideration of the designation of 819 Third Avenue as a local landmark pursuant to Chapter 2.65. The Commission held a public hearing on the proposed designation of 819 Third Avenue. Ed Garlick, the property owner had requested consideration of the designation. The Commission reviewed the nomination and noted the architectural importance of the building and historical significance because of its association with Clifford Chatterson.

ACTTION TAKEN: Ken Ziehr moved to approve the designation based on the architectural and historical significance of the property. Jane Seymour Kunick seconded the motion. All votes were in favor. Motion carried.

3. Discussion of a request to designate 618 South Farwell Street as a local landmark. The Commission discussed a request from the owners of 618 South Farwell Street to consider the property as a local landmark. The owner is Vicki Milewski. The Commission noted the extensive research already completed on the property by the owners. They noted that the Commission should review the research as part of the nomination process. John Mann noted that he would ask one of his students to review the material.

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ACTION TAKEN: Jane Seymour Kunick moved that the Commission proceed with considering 618 South Farwell Street as a local landmark and schedule a public hearing at a future meeting once the research completed on the property is reviewed. Dave Strobel seconded the motion. All votes were in favor. Motion carried.

4. Update on Landmark Activities and Properties:

- **A. State Theatre.** The Commission discussed a letter received from the owners of the State Theatre. The letter noted that the conditions on the use of the building were negotiable. The Commission decided to wait a couple months and then possibly invite someone from the ownership to a meeting to discuss the use restrictions.
- **B.** Historic Markers and Plaques. Pat Ivory informed the Commission that he had been in contact with the Leader Telegram about a potential article about several yard plaques that had recently been installed. In addition, the media had been contacted about a dedication of the recreational trail plaque for the High Bridge. The dedication is planned for October 4th.
- **C. Update from HPF.** Janice Wnukowski provided an update of Foundation activities including the fall house tour that was held on September 29th. She noted that the Board will be having discussions regarding the future of the Foundation as membership has declined in recent years.
- **D.** Biking/walking into History Grant. The Commission was informed that a walking tour of a portion of the Randall Park Neighborhood was planned for October 2nd as part of the biking/walking into history grant.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

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Jane Seymour Kunick