

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF DAVENPORT, IOWA

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2022; 5:00 PM

CITY HALL | 226 WEST 4TH STREET | COUNCIL CHAMBERS

I. Call to Order

Chairperson McGivern called the meeting to order.

Present: McGivern, Miranda, Sage, Lesthaghe

Excused: Powers, Franken

Staff Present: Berkley, Werderitch

II. Secretary's Report

A. Consideration of the July 12, 2022 meeting minutes.

Motion by Lesthaghe, second by Miranda to approve the July 12, 2022 meeting minutes. Minutes were unanimously approved by voice vote (4-0).

III. Communications

Werderitch updated the Commission on the upcoming Party in the Park event, tax credit workshop, and the rescheduled downtown walking tour.

IV. Old Business

V. New Business

A. Case COA22-10: Construction of an access walk connecting Vander Veer Park Drive to the historic stone bridge at 223 West Central Park Avenue. Vander Veer Park is a locally listed historic landmark. City of Davenport, petitioner. [Ward 5]

Werderitch provided an overview of the submitted plans to construct a new aggregate accessible walk connecting Vander Veer Park Drive to the historic stone bridge structure. The walkway will include a spur leading to a proposed bridge overlook/viewing area. The proposed design will be sympathetic with the botanical theme of the park and will enhance an otherwise underutilized feature.

Staff made a recommendation to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for the construction of a new access walk at Vander Veer Park in accordance with the submitted material.

The project was reviewed for conformance with the Standards for Review, Chapter 14.01.060C of the Davenport Municipal Code. The project meets the following standard:

1. New additions and related new construction shall not be discouraged when such improvements do not destroy historic material and such design is compatible with the size, massing, scale, color, materials and character of the property, neighborhood and district, if applicable.

Motion by Miranda, second by Sage, to approve staff recommendation for Case COA22-10. Motion to approve staff recommendation passed by a roll call vote (4-0).

VI. Other Business

VII. Open Forum for Comment

VIII. Adjourn

Motion by Sage, second by Miranda to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by a voice vote (4-0). The meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.

IX. Next Commission Meeting: September 13, 2022