

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF DAVENPORT, IOWA

TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2022; 5:00 PM

DAVENPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT | 416 N HARRISON STREET | COMMUNITY ROOM

I. Call to Order

Chairperson McGivern called the meeting to order.

Present: McGivern, Franken, Miranda, Powers, Lesthaghe

Excused: Powers, Sage

Staff Present: Berkley, Werderitch

II. Secretary's Report

A. Consideration of the May 10, 2022 meeting minutes.

Motion by Lesthaghe, second by Miranda to approve the May 10, 2022 meeting minutes. Minutes were unanimously approved by voice vote (4-0).

III. Communications

Werderitch updated the Commission on the recent Party in the Park event.

IV. Old Business

V. New Business

A. Case COA22-06: Installation of a new playground at Credit Island, located at 2200 West River Drive. City of Davenport Parks and Recreation Department, petitioner. [Ward 1]

Werderitch presented an overview of the conceptual playground design for Credit Island. Chad Dyson, Parks and Recreation Department, was in attendance to answer questions.

Staff made a recommendation to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness to install new playground equipment on Credit Island per Chapter 14.01.060 of the Davenport Municipal Code, subject to the following condition:

1. If any archeological resources are discovered during construction, stop work and notify the State Historic Preservation Office.

The project was reviewed for conformance with the Standards for Review, Chapter 14.01.060.C.9 of the Davenport Municipal Code. The Project meets the following standard:

1. Known significant archeological resources possibly affected by a proposed activity shall be protected and preserved. If such resources must be disturbed, mitigation measures shall be undertaken.
2. 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.

Motion by Franken, second by Miranda, to approve staff recommendation for approval, subject to the listed condition, of Case COA22-06. Motion to approve staff recommendation passed by a roll call vote (4-0).

- B. Case COA22-07: Request for the installation of a new roof at 532 West 8th Street. Hamburg Local Landmark Historic District. Foley Contracting LLC, petitioner, on behalf of William and Mary Luallen. [Ward 3]

Werderitch stated when issuing permits, city staff overlooked that this structure was located within the Hamburg Local Landmark Historic District. The contractor was told to finish the reroofing due to the significant amounts of rain throughout the week and to prevent further damage to the home.

Commissioners inquired whether the completed work was in conformance with preservation standards.

Staff made a recommendation to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness to install a new roof at 532 West 8th Street in accordance with the submitted material.

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

1. Every reasonable effort shall be made to make the minimal number of changes necessary to maintain a designated property in a good state of repair, thereby minimizing the impact of the proposed alteration.
2. Deteriorated architectural features should, where possible, be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity of deterioration requires replacement, the new feature shall match the old in design, color, texture and other visual qualities and, where possible, materials. Replacement of missing features shall be substantiated by documentary, physical or pictorial evidence.

Motion by Lesthaghe, second by Miranda, to approve staff recommendation for approval of Case COA22-07. Motion to approve staff recommendation passed by a roll call vote (4-0).

VI. Other Business

A. Davenport Historic District Surveys

Based on feedback from last month's Historic Preservation Commission meeting, staff created a spreadsheet of Davenport's twenty historic districts. The inventory is organized based on the most recent year a survey was conducted for each district. There are twelve districts that have not been surveyed since the 1980s.

Commissioners inquired the costs associated with the most recent update.

VII. Open Forum for Comment

Kelly Lao, Executive Director of the German American Heritage Center and Museum, informed the Commission that a vehicle crashed into the storefront door and window of the center. She detailed the scope of the damage and inquired about the Historic Preservation Commission process.

VIII. Adjourn

Motion by Franken, second by Miranda to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by a voice vote (4-0). The meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.

IX. Next Commission Meeting: July 12, 2022