

# **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

## **CITY OF DAVENPORT, IOWA**

**TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2022; 5:00 PM**

**CITY HALL | 226 WEST 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET | COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

### **I. Call to Order**

Chairperson McGivern called the meeting to order.

Present: McGivern, Franken, Miranda, Powers, Sage

Excused: Lesthaghe

Staff Present: Berkley, Werderitch, Ralfs

### **II. Secretary's Report**

#### **A. Consideration of the April 12, 2022 meeting minutes.**

Motion by Powers, second by Franken to approve the April 12, 2022 meeting minutes.

Minutes were unanimously approved by voice vote (5-0).

### **III. Communications**

#### **A. Davenport Public Library-How to Research Your Home**

#### **B. Downtown Davenport Architectural Walking Tour**

#### **C. Davenport DREAM PLUS**

Werderitch provided an overview of the Davenport DREAM Plus program, which offers financial assistance to property owners for interior and exterior improvements. Portions of the Hamburg Local Landmark Historic District are included within the program.

#### **D. Certificate of Public Hazard-Annie Wittenmyer Garage Building**

Werderitch announced the Fire Marshal and Chief Building Official issued a Certificate of Public Hazard to demolish the garage building at the Iowa Soldiers' Orphan's Home Historic District.

### **IV. Old Business**

### **V. New Business**

#### **A. Case COA22-05: Request for exterior alteration of the Lindsay Park restroom building, located at East River Drive and East 11th Street. City of Davenport Parks and Recreation Department, petitioner. [Ward 5]**

Werderitch presented an overview of the project scope, which included the installation of a new roof, doors, soffit, fascia, siding, painting, and cleaning. Billy Fisher from the Parks & Recreation Department was in attendance to answer questions. Commissioners commented on the proposed color choices and compatibility with the surrounding Village of East Davenport.

Staff made a recommendation to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for exterior alteration of the Lindsay Park restroom facility in accordance with the submitted material, subject to the following conditions:

1. The beaded plywood soffit and siding shall be replaced with a durable alternative wood material, approved by City staff.
2. To determine the gentlest means possible, a masonry surface cleaning test shall be conducted prior to the universal application of the muriatic acid wash. The test shall be observed over a sufficient period of time so that both the immediate effects and the long range effects are known.

The project was reviewed for conformance with the Standards for Review, Chapter 14.01.060.C. 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.
3. Activities that cause deterioration of a designated property and its architectural features shall be discouraged. In those cases where the damage would be irreversible, such as sandblasting and wet blasting fire-hardened bricks, the activities shall be prohibited. If cleaning is to be done, the gentlest means possible shall be encouraged.

Motion by Powers, second by Miranda, to approve staff recommendation for approval, subject to conditions, of Case COA22-05. Motion to approve staff recommendation passed by a roll call vote (5-0).

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 (5-0). The meeting adjourned at 5:11 pm.

IX. Next Commission Meeting: June 14, 2022