



CITY OF NAPERVILLE

TRANSPORTATION, ENGINEERING, & DEVELOPMENT (T.E.D.) BUSINESS GROUP

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS (COA) APPLICATION PACKET

This application form is used for the Historic Preservation Commission's review of COA applications.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY. **NO MAIL-IN APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED******

1. OWNER/APPLICANT (REQUIRED INFORMATION)

Property Address:	110 S. Washington Street, Naperville, IL 60540
Applicant Name(s):	Great Central Properties III, LLC
Address/Zip:	1255 Bond Street, Suite 111, Naperville, IL 60563
Telephone – Day/Evening:	630-7848-0320
Fax (optional):	
Email:	dwight@avrambuilders.com
Property Owner Name(s):	Great Central Properties III, LLC
Address/Zip:	1255 Bond Street, Suite 111, Naperville, IL 60563
Telephone – Day/Evening	630-848-0320

2. PICTURES OF EXISTING STRUCTURE OR PORTION OF STRUCTURE TO BE MODIFIED

Provide color photos (clearly labeled) or a building elevation diagram to show the existing structure or portion of structure that would be affected by the proposed work.

3. PROPOSED WORK (Check all that apply)

A COA from the Historic Preservation Commission is required for the following works performed on the primary façade (street-facing façade) of the principal building, fences, driveways or attached garages. Please refer to Exhibit A for a list of improvements that are waived from the COA requirement or are eligible for fast track (staff level) approval.

	Improvement Type*	A COA from the Commission is required for the following:
<input type="checkbox"/>	Doors	New opening, a change in style or opening, or use of material that is not wood or original material
<input type="checkbox"/>	Windows	New opening, a change in style or opening, or use of material other than wood or aluminum clad wood
<input type="checkbox"/>	Roofs	A change in height or pitch; or use of material other than asphalt or original material.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exterior Building Materials	A change in reveal or profile; or use of material other than wood, fiber cement board or original material.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Porches	New enclosure, a change in size or style, or use of material that is not one of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Replacement of porch columns with use of wood, plaster or cement materials; 2. Replacement of porch flooring with use of wood or composite decking materials; or 3. Replacement of other porch components with use of wood or original material.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Shutters and Awnings	A change in size, style or new addition
<input type="checkbox"/>	New Principal Structure	The primary façade of the new structure
<input type="checkbox"/>	Additions	The primary façade of the addition
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Modifications to the Primary Façade	Any modifications that will change the appearance of the original Improvement.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Demolition	Demolition of a principal structure in whole; removal without replacement of original architectural features contributing to the style of the principal building or structure
<input type="checkbox"/>	Driveways	New or relocated street access that is more than five feet (5') from the existing street access.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Fences	Along the street: fences constructed of materials other than wood or iron open picket
<input type="checkbox"/>	Attached Garage	New attached garages
<input type="checkbox"/>	Solar Panels and Skylights	Solar Panels and Skylights on Principal Structures

***A building permit may also be required for the above improvements. Please contact the Development Services Department at 630-420-6100 (press "2") to confirm.**

4. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED WORK (attach a separate sheet as needed)

- A. If demolition is proposed, describe the scope of the demolition in detail, including a list of original features to be removed or replaced from the primary façade of the building.

The approved plans, copy attached, show 3 seat walls in front of the new building a few feet from the Washington Street right of way. The Owner/Applicant would like to remove the 3 seat walls running north-south along the front of the new building. This request is being made due to prospective tenants raising concerns that the seat walls would interfere with pedestrian views and traffic flow. No other changes are requested.

- B. Describe the proposed work in full detail, including materials, style and specifications of key items (e.g., windows and trim; siding and reveal, soffit, fascia, and gutters; porch rails, balustrades, pillars, decking, and ceiling; roofing; exposed foundation; fencing; etc.).

The seat walls that would be removed were to be masonry construction approximately

18 to 24 inches in height.

C. Describe how the proposed work will affect any external architectural features of the structure.

The proposed removal of the seat walls would not affect any other external architectural features of the structure. The seat walls are in front of the new building and have no affect on the old Nichols library building. The final architectural permit drawings were approved by the Commission in COA 18-3642.

D. Attach drawings and specifications (not to exceed 11"X17" in size) to include:

- Address of property
- Date of most recent revision
- Site Plan to include:
 - i. Measurements of the lot
 - ii. Existing buildings
 - iii. Proposed modifications or additions with the distance from front, back, and side lot lines labeled.
- Demolition Plan to clearly identify any portion of the structure to be demolished, even if it will be replaced with a similar structure or building addition.
- Building Elevations of proposed modifications or building additions to include:
 - i. A key that specifies the location and details of proposed building materials and styles.
 - ii. Height of any proposed building additions or new structures.

5. FACTORS FOR CONSIDERATION OF A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATION RESPONSES (attach a separate sheet as needed)

Respond to the factors for consideration below that demonstrate the need and appropriateness of your request. Example responses to each factor can be found in Exhibit F. Your responses will be forwarded to the Historic Preservation Commission along with the staff memo. **Before responding to the standards, review the Historic Building Design and Resource Manual (<https://www.naperville.il.us/contentassets/7fed1bf2ba19496fa9a037f019616748/cdq-historic-building-design-and-resource-manual.pdf>) against your proposed changes.** If your proposed changes are not listed in the Historic Building Design and Resource Manual as "encouraged" or "acceptable" changes, please respond to 5.3 and 5.4. If the changes are considered "encouraged" or "acceptable" please write "N/A" for 5.3 and 5.4. Please provide thorough responses to each of the standards below.

Factors For Consideration Of A Certificate Of Appropriateness Application:

5.1. Compatibility With District Character: The Commission and Zoning Administrator shall consider the compatibility of the proposed improvement with the character of the historic district

in terms of scale, style, exterior features, building placement and site access, as related to the primary facade(s), in rendering a decision to grant or deny a certificate of appropriateness.

Explanation: Please describe how the proposed changes will be generally consistent with the overall character of the historic district. With this factor, the Historic Preservation Commission seeks to confirm that the proposed changes will not conflict with the characteristics (i.e., building setback, height, materials, etc.) that are typically found in the district.

Response to 5.1:

The building, setback, height and materials of the new building were approved by the Commission in COA 18-3642. The removal of the seat walls will in no way affect the compatibility of the project with the character of the historic district.

5.2. Compatibility With Architectural Style: The Commission and Zoning Administrator shall consider the compatibility of the proposed improvement with the historic architectural style of the building or structure to be modified by the certificate of appropriateness request.

Explanation: As a structure in the Historic District, guidelines for appropriate maintenance, rehabilitation and new improvements to enhance and preserve the appearance of homes are outlined in the Historic Building Design and Resource Manual. The Manual also provides background information on each architectural style found in the Historic District. For this factor, please use the Historic Building Design and Resource Manual to identify the historic features of your home as well as if your proposed changes are "encouraged, acceptable or discouraged" in the manual. Please also reference the 2008 Architectural Survey (<https://www.naperville.il.us/about-naperville/historic-district/>) and identify if any of the listed significant features of the home are being removed or changed.

Response to 5.2:

The granting of the requested COA to remove the seat walls would be a minor change to the approved plans and would not affect the historic architectural style of the building.

5.3. Economic Reasonableness: The Commission and the Zoning Administrator shall consider the economic reasonableness of any recommended changes determined to be necessary to bring the application into conformity with the character of the historic district.

Explanation: If the proposed improvement is "discouraged" in the Historic Building Design and Resource Manual, this factor allows the applicant to explain if there is an economic benefit necessitating the requested improvement instead of an improvement that is considered "encouraged" or "accepted". The economic benefit must be reasonable. The explanation should compare the economic benefit in receiving the COA approval for the improvement, as requested, as opposed to the alternative improvement required if the COA was not approved.

Response to 5.3 (Only respond if your proposed changes do not meet the Historic Building Design and Resource Manual guidelines):

N/A

5.4. Energy Conservation Effect: In making its determinations, the Commission and Zoning Administrator shall consider the effect that any recommended changes may have on energy conservation.

Explanation: If the proposed improvement is "discouraged" in the Historic Building Design and Resource Manual, this factor allows the applicant to explain if there is an Energy Conservation benefit which is necessitating the requested improvement instead of an improvement that is considered "encouraged" or "accepted." Please describe which aspects of the proposed changes will impact the energy efficiency of the home, and if possible, include metrics that show the change in efficiency. The explanation should compare the efficiency benefit in receiving the COA approval for the improvement, as requested, as opposed to the alternative improvement required if the COA was not approved.

Response to 5.4 (Only respond if your proposed changes do not meet the Historic Building Design and Resource Manual guidelines):

N/A

5.6. The City's Historic Building Design and Resource Manual may be used as a resource in consideration of the above.

Explanation: The Historic Building Design and Resource Manual is a guiding document for the Historic Preservation Commission with educational resources to assist the members in making well-informed decisions to protect and maintain the Historic District. In this section, please list and describe all portions of the manual that apply to your proposed changes. Please note if the proposed changes align with what is "encouraged", "acceptable", or "discouraged" in the manual.

Response to 5.6:

Section G.3 of the Design Manual states as "Acceptable" (there is no "Encouraged") for Additions

and New Institutional Buildings facilities that are compatible in design and materials with the historic

portions of the existing building (old Nichols library). The approved plans in COA 18-3642 are

compatible with the design and materials of old Nichols library, and the removal of the seat walls

would in no way affect such compatibility.

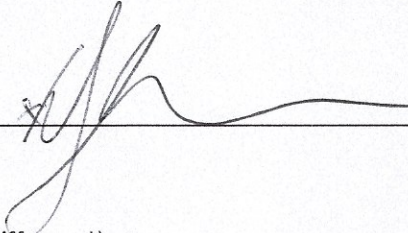
6. RELATED VARIANCE, CONDITIONAL USE OR REZONING REQUEST(S):

Please describe any zoning variance, conditional use, or rezoning requests that may be required to complete the proposed work. (note: a separate application must be filed with the Planning Services Team for these requests).

The new building was intentionally set back from Washington Street more than the allowed 6 feet (Ord. 6-7D-7) in order to allow a better view of old Nichols library from the street. The seat walls were added since they satisfy the setback requirement of the ordinance. With the removal of the seat
a zoning variance is required since at places the new building is set back mor than 6 feet from
from Washington Steet. A zoning variance is being requested by the Owner/Applicant.

Please note: If the COA is approved, any changes to the approved COA will require additional review by city staff or the Historic Preservation Commission. An approved COA is valid for three (3) years from the date of the issuance of the COA.

Required Signature: The undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this application including all drawings and specifications submitted herewith are true and correct, and further agrees that the proposed improvements described in this application will be constructed in all respects in accordance with the approved COA as specified in the application, drawings and specifications submitted herewith.

Signature of Applicant:  Date: September 4, 2020

Signature of Owner (if different): _____ Date: _____