

Meeting Minutes

Historic Preservation Commission

Thursday, July 28, 20227:00 PMMeeting Room B
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TO PROVIDE LIVE PUBLIC COMMENT, TESTIMONY, OR TO CROSS-EXAMINE WITNESSES DURING THE MEETING: To address the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) in-person during the meeting in Meeting Room B, members of the public will be called on during the meeting by the Chairman.

TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS OR MATERIALS:

1. You may submit written comments to planning@naperville.il.us in advance of the meeting. (Please note, because emailed written comments are available for advance review by the HPC, they will not be read into the record during the HPC hearing). Below are the deadlines for written comments provided in advance of the meeting:

• Written comments received by 5:00 p.m. the Thursday before the meeting, will be included in the meeting packet sent to the HPC. This meeting packet is also posted on the City's website.

• Written comments received after 5:00 p.m. the Thursday before the meeting, through 5:00 p.m. the day before the meeting, will be emailed directly to the HPC, but will not be included in the HPC packet or posted online.

• Written comments received after 5:00 p.m. the day before the meeting, will be added to the case file.

PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION:

Any individual who may require an accommodation to listen to or participate in the meeting should contact the Community Services Department at (630) 305-5300 as soon as possible, but no later than by 5 p.m. on the day of the meeting.

PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES:

The citizen participation guidelines are outlined in 1-5-6-6: - CITIZEN PARTICIPATION of the Naperville Municipal Code.

ALL VIEWPOINTS AND OPINIONS WELCOME: All viewpoints are welcome, positive comments and constructive criticism are encouraged. Speakers must refrain from harassing or directing threats or personal attacks at Commission members, staff, other speakers or members of the public. Comments made to intentionally disrupt the meeting may be managed as necessary to maintain appropriate decorum and allow for city business to be accomplished.
The HPC will call on you at the appropriate time during the meeting to speak. Once you are called on, you may identify yourself for the public record and address remarks to the Historic Preservation Commission as a whole. Speak clearly and try to limit remarks directly to the matter under discussion.

A. CALL TO ORDER:

B. ROLL CALL:

Present: Brown, Fawell, Garrison (Secretary), Chairman Jacks, Kelly (non-voting), Vice Chairwoman Ory, Sack (non-voting), Santucci, and Wills Absent: Franczyk and Losurdo

C. PUBLIC FORUM:

Becky Simon, Naperville Preservation Inc., updated the Commission about an upcoming virtual National Trust for Historic Preservation event in November.

Jane Burke updated the commission on a training that will occur in Plainfield by the National Association of Preservation Commissions.

Philip Buchanan provided comments concerning the demolition of the YMCA and the future development, an antique car event in Plainfield and the economic benefits of tax assessment freezes.

D. OLD BUSINESS:

E. CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

 Consider the Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) for 24 North Loomis Street - COA 22-1098

Brian and Heidi Jones presented the request.

Public Testimony:

There was no public testimony.

Commissioner Brown asked for clarification on the door style chosen.

Heidi Jones responded that they felt the proposed door matched better than the existing non-historic door and that the current door leaks.

Vice Chairwoman Ory asked if they were open to other door styles that would match more closely to a front gable style home.

Heidi Jones noted they would be open to style suggestions for the door.

Donna Sack, Vice President & Chief Program Officer at Naper Settlement, agreed with Commissioner Brown and Vice Chairwoman Ory that the door selected does not seem to match other style elements of the home.

Chairman Jacks noted that the proposed door does not match the current style of the home.

Donna Sack noted they could help staff confirm the new proposed door is appropriate to the style of the home.

Chairman Jacks noted no concern for the Hardie siding.

Sack noted the applicant should be cautious as to how different elements of the home work together and should not introduce another style. Sack also noted that the shake siding could match depending on what is done with other elements of the home.

Commissioner Brown commented that if more details and specifics on the connection between the improvements and dimensions were submitted with the application the Commission may have been able to better understand the request.

Donna Sack suggested the applicant could submit a request for the Naper Settlement Research Library to see if they have any available historic photos of the home or street.

Chairman Jacks noted they would not be as concerned with the siding without the shake.

Heidi Jones responded that there are other homes in the District with the shake siding.

Commissioner Fawell stated they liked the proposed shake siding because it adds an additional dimension to the home. Commissioner Fawell asked what the color of the shake siding will be compared to the rest of the siding on the home.

Heidi Jones responded that the shake siding would be a natural cedar and the non-shake siding would be a gray blue.

Donna Sack noted that from a historic preservation perspective the color choices are not accurate.

Chairman Jacks agreed the siding should all match.

Brian and Heidi Jones noted they would be ok with removing the shake siding from the request.

Donna Sack recommended doing more homework on how the shake siding could be more complimentary to the home.

Commissioner Wills questioned if they were focusing too much on what the residence was like when it was built.

Chairman Jacks recommended a door with a large windowpane at the top and solid wood at the bottom.

A member of the public noted the door style would be called half glass.

Vice Chairwoman Ory noted that there is something beautiful about the simplicity of the home.

Chairman Jacks asked if the rest of the Commission was ok with noting a half glass door in the motion.

Vice Chairwoman Ory responded that they could leave the motion open for multiple options that fit the front gable style door and approve the COA tonight subject to staff approval of the new door style.

Kathleen Russell, Community Planner, asked if the Commission had any concerns with the same reveal for the siding on all the residence.

Vice Chairwoman Ory responded that the Commission did not bring up any concern with the consistent reveal along the façade for the new siding.

A motion was made by Vice Chairwoman Ory and seconded by Commissioner Wills to approve COA 22-1098 for the proposed replacement door and new siding at 24 North Loomis Street.

Aye: Brown, Fawell, Garrison, Chairman Jacks, Vice Chairwoman Ory, Santucci, and Wills

Nays: None

F. REPORTS

1. Approve the minutes of the June 30, 2022, Historic Preservation Commission meeting

A motion was made by Commissioner Vice Chairwoman Ory seconded by Commissioner Brown to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2022, Historic Preservation Commission meeting.

Aye: Brown, Fawell, Garrison, Chairman Jacks, Vice Chairwoman Ory, and Wills

Nays: None

Abstain: Santucci

G. NEW BUSINESS:

H. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Commissioner Garrison seconded by Vice Chairwoman Ory to adjourn the July 28, 2022, Historic Preservation Commission meeting at 7:35 pm.

Aye: Brown, Fawell, Garrison, Chairman Jacks, Vice Chairwoman Ory, Santucci, and Wills

Nays: None