Village of Lombard Village Hall 255 East Wilson Ave. Lombard, IL 60148 villageoflombard.org **Minutes** Wednesday, December 2, 2020 7:30 PM SPECIAL MEETING Lombard Village Hall **Lombard Historic Preservation Commission** Rita Schneider, President Tom Fetters, Eileen Mueller, Brigitte O'Brien, Lyn Myers, Pat Poskocil, Marcy Novak, Stephanie Zabela, Bob Wardzala, Lynn O'Donnell and Jason Sanders **Ex-Officio Member - Ed Seagraves** Village Liaison - Sharon Kuderna Village Liaison - Tami Urish

NOTICE OF MEETING MODIFICATION DUE TO COVID-19

In light of the Disaster Declaration issued by the Governor of the State of Illinois relative to the COVID-19 pandemic, and pursuant to Public Act 101-0640, the Chairperson of the Historic Preservation Commission has determined that an in-person meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission, or a meeting conducted under the Open Meetings Act requirements, relative to a quorum of the members of the Historic Preservation Commission being physically present at a meeting when some members of the Historic Preservation Commission are participating remotely, is not practical or prudent because of the disaster.

Pursuant to Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-07, as extended by Executive Orders 2020-18, 2020-33 and 2020-39, 2020-44, 2020-52, 2020-55, 2020-59, 2020-71 and pursuant to Public Act 101-0640, HIstoric Preservation Commission members may attend and participate in the meeting remotely, and physical attendance at this meeting will be restricted solely to specified Village officials, staff and consultants. Residents may view the meeting live on television, at Comcast Channel 6 or AT&T Channel 99, or on online at

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Community Development Department

Attn: Historic Preservation Village of Lombard 255 E. Wilson Avenue Lombard IL 60148

Persons interested in participating in the hearing via telephone shall contact the Village in advance by any of the above methods to obtain information necessary for telephonic participation in the hearing. The Village requests that comments be submitted to the Village by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday December 2, 2020. Notwithstanding this request, all comments received before the public comment portion of the public hearing will be read into the public meeting record. The physical attendance restrictions in place for this meeting have been adopted to comply with Governor Pritzker's Executive Orders regarding social distancing and the need to maximize residential self-isolation to slow the spread of COVID-19 to the greatest extent possible.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

ALL COMMISSIONERS ATTENDED THE MEETING REMOTELY. Chairperson Schneider called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. Chairperson Schneider led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present 10 - Rita Schneider, Tom Fetters, Brigitte O'Brien, Lyn Myers, Patricia Poskocil, Stephanie Zabela, Bob Wardzala, Jason Sanders, Lynn O'Donnell, and Sharon Kuderna

Absent 2 - Eileen Mueller, and Marcy Novak

Also present: Tami Urish, Planner I, Staff Liaison.

Public Hearings

Business Meeting

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on October 22, 2020 were approved with a change of a misspelled name. The motion was made by Commissioner Myers and seconded by Commissioner Fetters and passed by a unanimous vote with an individual roll call.

Local Landmarks - Eileen Mueller

215 S. Stewart Avenue - Certificate of Appropriateness Request Review of Certificate of Appropriateness. (DISTRICT 4)

Chairperson Schneider stated that the Village received a request for a certificate of appropriateness for 215 S. Stewart for replacing the siding. She asked if the homeowners were present for the meeting. Jessica Anderson responded that she and Tim Anderson are present remotely.

Jessica Anderson stated that they reviewed the staff report and understand why the HardiBoard was not recommended since it is a synthetic product. She questioned why the cedar panel of shingles were not recommended over the cedar individual single shake shingles since they are the same material. The panel version is cheaper as it is less labor intensive to install.

Commissioner Zabela expressed concern regarding the installation of panels and the possible longevity. Chairperson Schneider questioned the appearance of the panels and the possible uniformity created when compared to individually installed shingles.

Commissioner Myers questioned the reason why the staff report recommended the individual shingles over the panels without providing a reason. Ms. Urish responded that the individual shingle option was recommended because that is what was most likely installed when the house was built. All reference to the siding of the house was wood so the panel version would not jeopardize the local landmark status of the house. The single shingle over the panel was considered the best option.

Commissioner O'Donnell summarized her experience with insurance companies and stated that the panel option is likely cheaper and insurance would cover the cheaper option and not the individual shingle installation. Ms. Anderson responded that there is an insurance claim and the panel option is significantly less

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expensive than the individual shingle. Exploring all the options that balance the historical integrity of the house, the maintenance and replacing as much as possible is their goal.

Chairperson Schneider asked how the panels are arranged with the shingles. Tim Anderson responded that the panels are created with shingles cut on an eight foot length that are installed overlapping each other by rows. The existing shingles are installed at a straight edge and the panel option can also be installed at a straight edge.

Commissioner O'Donnell suggested that the panel option is a better option economically and should be considered.

Commissioner Myers requested that staff clarify the recommendation made in the staff report in consideration of the panel option. Ms. Urish stated that either option would be acceptable since both options are wood which was identified in 2012 finding for the landmark and not more specific than that so the panel option was not ruled out only considered a second choice.

Discussion of replacing damaged shingles only. Homeowners responded that all the shingles are rotting and at the end of their useful life. Also the logistics are not possible to disassemble and put back old shingles with new ones. Chairperson Schneider asked which length or exposure of the shingles are existing and which of the lengths were chosen. Mr. Anderson responded that they selected the 4 ½ " size.

On a motion by Commissioner Poskocil and seconded by Commissioner Fetters, based on the submitted application and the testimony presented, the Historic Preservation Commission finds that the proposed wood shingle siding complies with the criteria established for a certificate of appropriateness and, therefore, I move that the Historic Preservation Commission approve a certificate of appropriateness for said wood shingle siding at 215 S. Stewart Avenue. The Historic Preservation Commission voted 8-0 to approve a certificate of appropriateness for wood shingle siding at 215 S. Stewart.

The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye: 8 Tom Fetters, Brigitte O'Brien, Lyn Myers, Patricia Poskocil, Stephanie Zabela, Bob Wardzala, Jason Sanders, and Lynn O'Donnell
- Absent: 2 Eileen Mueller, and Marcy Novak

Planner's Report

Ms. Urish stated that there is nothing to report at this time.

New Business

None

Adjournment

On a motion by Commissioner Fetters and seconded by Commissioner Wardzala and all were in favor by individual roll call, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.