



Andy Schor, Mayor

CITY OF LANSING HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

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Minutes – *Approved 4/12/21* **Lansing Historic District Commission** **Monday, February 8, 2020** **Virtual Meeting**

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Sonnenberg called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m.
 - a. Introductions and Roll Call:

Present: Heather Goupil, Curtis Sonnenberg, James Bell, Carol Skillings, Sam Troutman, Cassandra Nelson, Jim McClurken

Absences: Rob Gibb (excused), Jacklyn Lillis-Warwick (excused)

Staff Present: Andy Fedewa, Planner
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Approved by unanimous consent.
3. COMMUNICATIONS – None
4. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None
5. DISCUSSION/ACTION
 - a. Minutes for Approval – December 14, 2020 meeting. Approved by unanimous consent.
 - b. 513 W Ionia St., formerly known as the Bailey’s Supermarket, has applied to be a National Register of Historic Places property. Michigan State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) sent a nomination review form to the HDC. There are two early 20th century red brick commercial buildings on the parcel, common of the period, but are strong examples of the commercial style with good integrity. After discussion and support voiced during December’s HDC meeting, Mayor Schor signed SHPO’s nomination review form in support of the National Register listing.
 - c. Commission and Boards Ethics Training – Commission members present stated they reviewed the City of Lansing Commission and Boards Ethics Training video.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None
6. COMMUNICATIONS – None
7. STAFF AND COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS – None
8. PRESENTATIONS – None
9. OTHER BUSINESS – None
10. PENDING ITEMS – None
 - a. CLG Grant – Mr. Fedewa reviewed the suggestion to apply for the 2021 CLG Grant to support the rehabilitation of the Moores Park Natatorium (Pool). Lansing Parks and Recreation will contract a consultant to detail the repair work necessary. Mr. Fedewa will continue discussions with Parks and Recreation, the Mayor’s Office, and SHPO about using the CLG Grant for this project, but will continue to brainstorm other possible ideas with the Commission.
 - b. Potential Local Historic District listing of the Westside Neighborhood – Commissioner Bell overviewed some of his research into the various historic subdivisions that make up the contemporary Westside neighborhood. There is some concern about working toward listing the entire neighborhood and that it will be more feasible to list a particular area, specifically the Espanore Subdivision. The Commission will review materials from Commissioner Bell and work toward eliciting community interest in a Westside Neighborhood Local Historic District.
 - c. Outreach to Local Historic District Resources – Mr. Fedewa conveyed the intent of the Planning Office and the Historic District Commission to conduct more community engagement activities around historic preservation and education, but that a lot of ideas are still on pause due to the ongoing Coronavirus Pandemic. Mr. Fedewa presented a postcard detailing parts of the local historic district ordinance and the Certificate of Appropriateness process to be mailed to all Local Historic District properties. Commissioner Skillings made an edit to the postcard text.
11. ADJOURNMENT was at 6:00 p.m.