

# MINUTES BELOIT LANDMARKS COMMISSION Special Meeting of June 22, 2010

A Special Meeting of the Beloit Landmarks Commission was held on Tuesday, June 22, 2010 in the City Hall Forum.

Present: Marjorie Fizzell, Rick McGrath, Sandra Williams, Lynette Johnson, John Dummer,

Jennifer Knezel, Charles Haynes

Absent: Daniel Shea

#### 1. Roll Call

Commissioner McGrath called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Community Planner Drew Pennington called the Roll.

### 2. Public Comments

None

## 3. Michael Brady, on behalf of Beloit College – Certificate of Appropriateness

COA-2010-26 Review and consideration of a Certificate of Appropriateness to construct 38 parking stalls for the properties located at 749 & 803 College Street, 716 & 717 Emerson Street, and 804 Church Street; to replace, remove, widen, and/or install sidewalks & steps and remove a private cul-de-sac for the properties located at 700, 709, and 735 College Street; and to remove driveways, to remove sidewalks, and to expand an off-street parking area for the properties located at 609, 613, 619, 631, and 635 College Street.

Frank McKearn of R.H. Batterman, 2857 Bartells Drive, introduced himself as the applicant's engineer. Mr. McKearn described each of the proposed projects in greater detail.

Bill Dorr, 836 Church Street, expressed his support for the revised proposal. Mr. Dorr stated that most of his neighbors also support the revised proposal.

Susan Scott, 824 Church Street, asked why 804 Church Street was included in the revised proposal and asked Beloit College to complete the landscaping that was included in an earlier project. Mr. Pennington explained that 804 Church Street is a corner property with frontage on Church Street and the vacated 700 block of Emerson Street.

Robert Schwaegler, 704 Park Avenue, stated that the neighborhood must trust Beloit College. Mr. Schwaegler expressed his support for the proposed improvements to the Eaton Chapel access points and the removal of parked vehicles from the private cul-de-sac.

Following this discussion, Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the requested COA, subject to the conditions recommended by staff. Commissioner Fizzell seconded the

motion. Commissioner McGrath asked Mr. Brady about the College's long-term parking strategy. Mr. Brady stated that the College is looking at off-campus parking lots, but that parking is needed now. Commissioner McGrath asked Mr. Brady if the College will eventually propose parking along Church Street. Mr. Brady stated that the College is not considering additional parking along Church Street at this time. Commissioner Williams stated that those opposing the parking in the public right-of-way should attend the Traffic Review Committee meeting.

Commissioner Williams' motion carried (6-0).

#### 4. Adjournment

At 5:34 PM, Commissioner Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Commissioner Dummer seconded the motion. The motion carried (6-0).

Drew Pennington, Community Planner