MINUTES HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

October 12, 2016

The October 12, 2016 special meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was called to order at 6:35 PM by Chairman Demsky in the Burnham Board Room of the Village Hall. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Upon roll call, the following were:

Present: Commissioners Ciolek, McWilliams, Reynolds, Tracy (6:45), and Chairman Demsky

Absent: Commissioners Jung and Kramer

Also present: Michelle House, Planner II

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the May 11th Historic Preservation Commission minutes was continued to the next HPC meeting scheduled for October 26, 2016.

GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

There were no general communications for tonight's meeting.

CONSENT

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. House stated that the Village of Glenview Historic Preservation Handbook was being updated. She mentioned that the draft with updates was included in the commissioners' packet for their review. She pointed out the updates that staff had put together which were:

- Updated to reflect what was stated in the code
- Names of current commissioners
- Pages 4-5 Item (x) was added to the Criteria which would indicate whether a property owner opposes or supports the designation. *Staff felt this was an important item to include in the handbook.*

Ms. House stated that other than the above, there were no substantive changes to the handbook. If commissioners felt that additional changes were needed, staff would revise and resubmit for approval.

Comments made were:

- Commissioner Ciolek pointed out minor changes such as the last line of Criteria on page 5. Add the word **any** for sentence to read, 'Among the first nine (9) criteria, **any** one (1) may be sufficient to justify the designation of property as a Village Landmark.'
- Page 4-5, Sentence under 3b Criteria. Staff to review and clarify for the sentence to read more smoothly.
- Page 12 –Historic Preservation Commission consisted of nine members that are residents of the Village of Glenview: Seven (7) would be members of the Appearance Commission and two (2) members would have historic background, if possible, but historic education background was not required.

Chairman Demsky asked for a motion to adopt the draft handbook with corrections discussed.

Commissioner Ciolek moved to adopt the revised Village of Glenview Historic Preservation Handbook with edits as discussed. Commissioner Reynolds seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, motion carried.

Chairman Demsky confirmed with staff that they would make the corrections and reissue for final review.

For clarification of 3B Criteria, Chairman Demsky confirmed with staff that any one of the first nine (9) would be sufficient to designate a given property but item (x) would be a veto of this. Ms. House stated that any individual can designate a property but if the property owner was not in favor of the designation, the property would not be designated with landmark status.

Chairman Demsky clarified that if a higher body such as federal government designated a property, the property owner continued to have the right to deny the designation.

Ms. House would investigate whether a property would always remain landmark status designated or if sold, would new owner be able to eliminate the designation if desired.

Following are training/lecture opportunities for HPC commissioners in the Chicago area:

- Thursday, October 20 @ 12:15 PM to 1:00 PM Free Admission
 - o The Future of Historic House Museums
- Thursday, November 17 @ 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM Free Admission
 - o Edgar Miller Legacy Project

Additional information was included in the commissioners' packet.

Chairman Demsky presented a brief summary of the Keck home on Glenview Road that was recently sold and was the first Howard Sloan house with solar design. Chicago Tribune labeled the house, Solar House, which coined the term and linked Keck and solar architecture. Photos of the home were on-line.

There was no other business and Chairman Demsky adjourned the meeting at 6:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Pomillo
Recording Secretary