



AGENDA
BIRMINGHAM HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY – MARCH 1, 2023
BIRMINGHAM CITY HALL, 151 MARTIN ST., COMMISSION ROOM #205*
******* 7:00 PM*******

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- 1) Roll Call
- 2) Approval of the HDC Minutes of **February 15, 2023**
- 3) Courtesy Review
- 4) Historic Design Review
- 5) Sign Review
- 6) Study Session
 - A. **Historic Design Guidelines – Deliverable #3 (Update)**
- 7) Miscellaneous Business and Communication
 - A. Pre-Application Discussions
 - B. Draft Agenda
 1. **March 15, 2023**
 - C. Staff Reports
 1. **Administrative Sign Approvals**
 2. **Administrative Approvals**
 3. **Demolitions**
 4. **Action List 2023**
- 8) Adjournment

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**Historic District Commission
Minutes Of February 15, 2023**

151 Martin Street, City Commission Room 205, Birmingham, MI

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Historic District Commission ("HDC") held Wednesday, February 15, 2023. Chair Henke called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1) Rollcall

Present: Chair John Henke; Board Members Gigi Debbrecht, Keith Deyer, Dustin Kolo, Patricia Lang, Michael Willoughby; Alternate Board Member Mary Jaye

Absent: Board Member Natalia Dukas; Alternate Board Member Steven Lemberg

Staff: Planning Director Dupuis; City Transcriptionist Eichenhorn

The Chair called for a moment of silence for the February 13, 2023 mass shooting at Michigan State University and for the 68 other mass shootings that had occurred thus far in the United States 2023.

Following the moment of silence, the Chair welcomed newly-appointed Alternate Board Member Mary Jaye.

2) Approval of the HDC Minutes of January 18, 2023

02-08-23

Motion by Mr. Kolo

Seconded by Ms. Lang to approve the HDC Minutes of January 18, 2023 as submitted.

Motion carried, 7-0.

VOICE VOTE

Yeas: Debbrecht, Willoughby, Kolo, Henke, Deyer, Lang, Jaye

Nays: None

3) Courtesy Review

4) Historic Design Review

A. 188 N. Old Woodward – Comerica (Request to Postpone)

02-09-23

Motion by Mr. Deyer

Seconded by Ms. Lang to postpone indefinitely the Historic Design Review for 188 N. Old Woodward.

Motion carried, 7-0.

VOICE VOTE

Yeas: Debbrecht, Willoughby, Kolo, Henke, Deyer, Lang, Jaye
Nays: None

5) Sign Review

6) Study Session

A. Historic Design Guidelines – Deliverable #3 (Update)

PD Dupuis summarized the item. He asked HDC members to try and be in attendance on March 15, 2023 for the presentation, and recommended that the presentation be pushed if more than a couple absences were expected.

The Chair stated he would be out of town on March 15, 2023.

Ms. Debbrecht asked PD Dupuis to re-email deliverables one and two. PD Dupuis confirmed he would do so.

7) Miscellaneous Business and Communication

PD Dupuis introduced two members of Royal Oak's Historic Commission. There was brief discussion of present historic preservation efforts in the two communities and a mention of possible future collaboration.

Mr. Deyer recommended that the HDC consider recommencing awards for the best sign and for the best rehabilitation of a historic asset. He stated that it would be beneficial to generate publicity for historic preservation. He recommended 100 N. Old Woodward be considered for the aforementioned rehabilitation award.

PD Dupuis expressed support for the idea. Ms. Lang said she would like to see the same for older homes.

Ms. Debbrecht said that the process of determining the historic value of 100 N. Old Woodward would likely be of interest to the public.

There was HDC and Staff consensus that the historic designation of Mr. Deyer's home should be publicized once completed

A. Draft Agenda

B. Staff Reports

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PD Dupuis summarized the topic. HDC members provided comments on the list.

8) Adjournment

No further business being evident, the HDC motioned to adjourn at 7:23 p.m.



Nicholas Dupuis, Planning Director



Laura Eichenhorn, City Transcriptionist



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 - A. **Pre-Application Discussions**
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 1. **April 19, 2023**
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Historic District Commission Action List –2023

Historic District Commission	Quarter Goals	In Progress	Complete
Historic Design Guidelines Project	1 st (January-March)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Schedule Training Sessions for HDC and Community	1st (January-March)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Historic Plaque for Community House, Parks & Wooster, & Ford Building	2 nd (April-June)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Develop Resources for the Michigan Historic Preservation Tax Credit	3 rd (July-September)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
First Draft – Historic Preservation Master Plan	4 th (October-December)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>