

ILLINOIS HISTORIC SITES ADVISORY COUNCIL

Illinois State Historic Preservation Office -- Department of Natural Resources
Illinois State Treasurer's Office
Marine Bank Building
1 East Old State Capitol Plaza
Springfield, IL 62701

October 25, 2024

Presiding: Janine Farrell, Vice Chair

Council Members Present:

Susan Kooiman	Rebecca Graff
Vicki Granacki	Pamela Lange
Kimberly Smith	Charles Pipal
Devin Hunter	Kandalyn Hahn
Michael Bortel	

Non-Voting Council Members Present: Jenn Edgington; Christina Shutt

Staff Members Present:

Andrew Heckenkamp	Carey Mayer
Amy Hathaway	Tolu Omulusi

Guests:

John Cramer	David Breaux
Kathleen Breaux	Jessica King (9 guests)
Jean Guarino	Justin Colombik
Jessica King (9 guests)	Noel Weidner

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 10:31 A.M.

Roll was taken. Chelsea Baughman, Lauren Thompson, Kimberly Smith, and Rachel Hitzmann were not present.

CHAIR REPORT

Chair Farrell welcomed everyone to the council meeting and went over the procedures for the day.

READING OF THE MINUTES

The minutes were approved as submitted. Bortel noted corrections. A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Bortel.

STAFF REPORT

Mayer and Heckenkamp gave the staff report. Heckenkamp announced Steve Dasovich was new to the SHPO staff, serving as reviewer of state projects.

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LISTINGS

Edgewater Glen Historic District, Chicago, Cook County

Jean Guarino gave the presentation. Granacki asked to recheck the count and make the statement of significance stronger but liked the analysis. Pipal thought the nomination was well-written and asked whether the multifamily residences were midblock or on the periphery. Guarino explained they were located in both places. Justin Colombik spoke in favor of the nomination. Smith came in at this time. Motion to recommend was made by Bortel and seconded by Graff. Hathaway gave staff opinion. Motion carried.

Immaculata High School (amendment), Chicago, Cook County

Cramer gave the presentation. Hahn asked about the rehab. Granacki questioned the parking lot. Graff discussed organic architecture. Hunter asked about other construction in the vicinity and urban renewal impacts. Granacki offered comparisons. Hahn brought up Islamic Art. Motion to recommend was made by Granacki and seconded by Pipal. Staff opinion (Heckenkamp) was positive. Motion carried.

James C. Curtis & Co. Building- Chicago, Cook County

John Cramer gave the presentation. Motion to recommend was made by Hahn and seconded by Smith. Motion carried.

Chicago Home for Convalescent Women & Children, Chicago, Cook County

John Cramer gave the presentation. Hahn mentioned the front cornice was removed and replaced. Hahn added that while this was a dormitory and institutional it drew on domestic styles to make it “homier.” Discussion ensued on the history of the institution and its policies. Hahn clarified that this home differed from others in that it did not have a religious affiliation and was open to all women. (Initially it was not allowed to serve Black women but raised donations for those organizations that could help them.) The institution also advocated for women to keep their children. It was the first and only organization to do so and closed shortly after the passage of Roe vs. Wade. Staff opinion (Heckenkamp) was positive. Motion to recommend was made by Hahn seconded by xxxx Motion carried.

International Corset Co. Building, Aurora, Kane County

Noel Weidner gave the presentation. Granacki asked about the Aurora plan and how this factory fits into it, where the statement “the corsets capitol of the country” came from, and how the factory came to be located in a residential neighborhood. Motion to recommend was made by Kooiman seconded by Lange. Staff opinion (Hathaway) was positive. Motion carried.

Hunt Lodge – Berwyn, Cook County

Hathaway gave the presentation. Discussion ensued about including the dates 1911-1919 in the period of significance, calling attention to significant interior features in the statement of significance, and whether the front of the building was original or an addition. The owner clarified that there was a basement underneath the front section and the beams were continuous through both sections, clarifying that it was original to the property’s construction. Motion to recommend was made by Granacki and seconded by Pipal. Motion carried.

DELISTINGS

Heckenkamp provided an overview of the Greene County Almshouse and the Will County Courthouse, both of which were demolished and requests will be sent to the NPS to have them delisted.

The meeting adjourned at 12:49 PM.

NEXT MEETING: Virtual, February 28, 2025

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