Historic NSB Preservation Commission Meeting December 11, 2019

The meeting was called to order with all members present: Lianne Bennett, chair; Dr. Angeline Barretta-Herman, Joanna Mahood, Anna Marie O'Mara, Marvin Owens, Dr. Harriet Winokur, Kay Matheny, and Anne Scalf.

City staff included: Assistant City Attorney Chris Ryan, Senior Planner Robert Mathen, and Board Secretary Stephanie Ferrara.

- 1. CA-34-19: 316 Faulkner St. Request for certificate of appropriateness for the installation of Hardie Board lap siding and removal of the vinyl siding. Even though the home isn't in the National Register, it is in the Historic District and contributes to the area. Approval would be consistent with the type of period architecture. City Staff recommended approval of the request on condition that any other exterior modification, demolition, or new construction be brought to the Commission and that the owners continue to comply with all regulations. Dr. Angie Barretta-Herman asked if the conditions only affected modifications that were visible from the street, and Mr. Mathen replied, yes. The commission voted unanimously to issue a conditional certificate of appropriateness for the instillation of Hardie Board lap siding.
- 2. CA-33-19: 318 Hillman St. Request for certificate of appropriateness for replacement of roof shingles. Even though the home isn't in the National Register, it is in the Historic District and contributes to the area. Roof shingles would stabilize the house against the elements and add charm to the neighborhood. City Staff recommended approval of the request on condition that any other exterior modification, demolition, or new construction be brought to the Commission and that the owners continue to comply with all regulations. Dr. Angie Barretta-Herman had a question about roof replacement and if there was an issue about the type of shingles used, as it had been an issue in the past. Mr. Mathen replied that the shingles met current regulations. The commission voted unanimously to issue a certificate of appropriateness for the replacement of roof shingles.
- **3.** The 2020 Meeting Schedule was approved with one change to make sure all dates are 2020. **Motion to approve the 2020 meeting schedule was unanimous.**
- **4**. Lianne Bennet received the nomination for the 2020 Chairperson and was **approved unanimously**. Two members were nominated for Vice Chair, Dr. Harriet Winokur and Dr. Angie Barretta-Herman. Dr. Whitaker **won the written vote 6 to 1 so will be the 2020 Vice Chairperson.**
- 5. The 2020 Goals for the HNSBPC were presented. The first two goals are carried over from 2019.
 - Create a new local historic district south of the existing National Registered District. A
 proposed map has been created by City Staff. A neighborhood meeting in the proposed
 district was held in April 2019.
 - 2. Create a new local historic district bound by the Historic Westside Neighborhood located west of the existing National Registered District. Currently, City Staff is working on a boundary map for this District. Staff plans on having a neighborhood meeting in the spring of 2020.

Two new goals were suggested for 2020:

- 3. Change the dates of historic buildings to include those built in the 1950s up to 1960. Per Mr. Mathen, certain designs will be identified to include a more "modern" look for items such as roofs, windows, etc. City Commission would be involved in this review for a final approval. A motion to add this goal for 2020 was unanimously passed.
- 4. To identify certain state and federal programs that would help homeowners maintain their historic homes, so they are not left in disrepair or abandoned. Mr. Mathen stated there is a city grant program to fix homes, but it has strict requirements i.e. income level geared for seniors/lower income. The motion to add this goal was tabled until January as more research was needed. The vote was 6-1, with Dr. Angie Barretta-Herman, voting NO. If it passes in January, it will still be a 2020 goal.