

**MINUTES**  
**July 12, 2021**  
**Historic Preservation Commission - Virtual**  
**City of Batavia**

Please **NOTE:** These minutes are not a word-for-word transcription of the statements made at the meeting, nor intended to be a comprehensive review of all discussions. They are intended to make an official record of the actions taken by the Commission/Committee/City Council, and to include some description of discussion points as understood by the minute-taker. They may not reference some of the individual attendee's comments, nor the complete comments if referenced.

**1. Meeting Called to Order**

Vice-Chair Bus called the virtual meeting to order at 5:30pm.

**2. Roll Call**

**Members Present:** Vice-Chair Bus; Commissioners Hagemann, Barraza, and Lombardo

**Members Absent:** Chair Hohmann; Commissioner Saam

**Also Present:** Jeff Albertson, Building Commissioner; and Jennifer Austin-Smith, Recording Secretary

**3. Approval of Minutes: June 14, 2021**

**Motion:** To approve the minutes from June 14, 2021

**Maker:** Hagemann

**Second:** Lombardo

**Roll Call Vote:** **Aye:** Hagemann, Lombardo, Bus, Barraza

**Nay:**

4-0 Vote, 2 Absent. Motion carried.

**4. Items to be Removed, Added or Changed**

There were no items to be removed, added or changed.

**5. Matters From the Public (for items not on the agenda)**

There were no matters from the public at this time.

**6. COA Review: 10 North Island Avenue – Façade Reface (Dino Alex, applicants)**

Bill Alex, applicant, addressed the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC). The HPC reviewed the document titled "Proposed Renovation for Building Fascia, Existing Front Elevation" utilizing the shared screen feature of Zoom. Alex stated that they plan to work on the columns first and then do the upper brick feature within the twelve-month period of the Certificate of Appropriateness (COA). Albertson noted that COA's are only valid for one year.

Alex shared that the column material would be split face traditional brick and the top of the post would be stucco EIFS to match the existing colors. The paint would be a light cream color. All of the columns will be redone. The upper fascia would be thin brick and is designed to match the Wilson Street face of Brianna's.

Albertson announced this is a non-contributing building in the Historic District. Bus stated that the columns need to be updated and what is proposed is okay. Bus discussed the upper fascia and expressed that it looks like an Alamo shape and fits with southwestern architecture but we are in the Midwest on the Fox River. He does not think that architecturally it works very well. Bus stated that he would not be able to approve the fascia portion of the COA. Barraza agreed that the architectural design does not match the architectural style of the town and they do not seem to match the columns. The top façade seems disconnected architecturally and stylistically. Albertson stated that the intent was to be similar to the Wilson Street façade that was installed three years ago. Alex stated that if they could get approval of the columns they could come back with a different design for the façade if that is how it has to be. Bus stated that it would be his preference to split this into a COA request for just the columns. Alex asked for the ability to paint so that each side is uniform. Barraza and Bus agreed.

**Motion:** To approve the COA for the columns and painting with the remainder of the front façade to be reviewed at a later date

**Maker:** Hagemann

**Second:** Barraza

**Roll Call Vote:** **Aye:** Hagemann, Lombardo, Bus, Barraza

**Nay:**

4-0 Vote, 2 Absent. Motion carried.

## 7. Updates:

1. 7 East Wilson Street – Historic Inspection
2. Anderson Block Building – Masonry Maintenance
3. Significant Historic Building Inspection Program
4. 227 West Wilson Street – Historic Inspection
5. 16 East Wilson Street – Historic Inspection

Albertson stated that there are no updates to report.

## 8. Other Business

Albertson announced the next meeting would be in person because the Governor has stopped the remote meeting allowance as part of the Open Meetings Act.

## 9. Adjournment

There being no other business to discuss, Vice-Chair Bus asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:48pm; Made by Hagemann; Seconded by Lombardo. All were in favor. Motion carried.