

# CITY OF OTTAWA

301 West Madison Street  
Ottawa, Illinois 61350



## OTTAWA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (OHPC) November 17, 2023 Minutes

**Present:** Bob Eschbach, Chris Hasty, Lorraine McCallister, Rich Mennecke  
Mollie Perrot, Chuck Stanley, Tami Koppen (staff)

**Absent:** George Cary, Paul Havelka, Earle Lecki

**Public Comment.** No comments

**Minutes.** Moved by Chuck Stanley that the minutes for OHPC meeting held on September 14, 2023 be approved. Second by Lorraine McCallister. All ayes. Motion passed.

### **Certificate of Appropriateness 822-824 LaSalle Street.**

The building owner requests installation of 4 glass garage doors along Jackson Street. Rafael Blanco, of CL Real Estate explained the interior space will be used for events and operated by Tangled Roots. Upon approval they are ready to begin construction. He doesn't know when Tangled Roots will operate in space. Commission discussed the outcome of the mural. Bob Eschbach, on behalf of the mural committee said CL proposal is \$20,000 towards art projects and they will remove the mural. Chuck suggested taking a photograph of the mural, reproducing, and then hang it on the remaining blank wall of the building.

Moved by Chuck Stanley that the four garage doors are appropriate and a certificate of appropriateness for 822-824 LaSalle Street be approved. Second by Chris Hasty. All ayes. Motion passed.

Moved by Chuck Stanley that a reduced size of the mural be considered on the remaining blank wall of the building. Second by Lorriane McCallister. All ayes. Motion passed.

**Sarah Gregg and Civil War Monument signage in Washington Park.** Nurses' day is May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Chuck suggested dedication be on Sunday, the day prior. Tami said Washington Park has many monuments, markers and etc.

**Promoting/Educating Historic Preservation Resources.** Mayor requested the commission educate and promote historic preservation. Commission discussed that a seminar was held on this topic many years ago. Commission discussed 1. Seminar by a consultant. 2. Seminar by an employee/representative of the state. 3. Sending brochures and/or information in the water bills.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tami L. Koppen