**City of Marine City**

**Historical Commission Meeting**

**October 18, 2022**

A regular meeting of the Historical Commission was held on Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 260 S. Parker Street, Marine City, MI 48039 and was called to order by Chairperson Kim Turner at 5:04 pm.

**Present: Chairperson Kim Turner, City Commissioner Brian Ross, Commissioners William Beutell, Rosalie Skwiers, Scott Tisdale, Andrew Pakledinaz; City Clerk Shannon Adams**

**Absent: Commissioner Suzanne Jenken; City Manager Holly Tatman.**

Motion by Commissioner Pakledinaz, seconded by Commissioner Tisdale, to excuse Commissioner Jenken. All Ayes. Motion Carried

**Approve Agenda**

Motion by Commissioner Skwiers, seconded by Commissioner Ross, to approve the Agenda. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Approve Minutes**

Motion by Commissioner Tisdale, seconded by Commissioner Pakledinaz, to approve the minutes from the July 19, 2022 Historical Commission meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Communications**

None.

**Public Comment**

None.

**Unfinished Business**

Creation of a Historical Contributing Structures List

Commissioner Ross identified that the purpose of having a list was so it could be included with the Master Plan or as part of the Nautical Mile Overlay District documents to identify properties that contribute to the unique mystique and allure of Marine City thereby putting owners of those properties on notice that the City values them as historically contributing and to encourage them not to be torn down. He indicated he had developed a list of 145 properties on the list in the Nautical Mile Overlay District to assess whether or not each property is contributing.

Commissioner Ross suggested using Zillow to research year built. Commissioner Tisdale indicated that tax records would provide useful information. Commissioner Turner recommended checking fire insurance maps.

Commissioner Ross’s property list was divided amongst all seven Commissioners with the direction to research and view each property making notes related to the year built, the zoning, whether it was historically significant, and the rationale behind the historical significance. *Commissioner Tisdale was responsible for 1-21, Beutell 22-43, Turner 44-67, Ross 68-90, Pakledinaz 91-112, Skwiers (reassigned to Prange) 113-130, and Jenken 131-145.*

Commissioner Turner added that some kind of recognition or framed certificate could be developed and given to property owners that were included on the list to incentivize cooperation.

Motion by Commissioner Pakledinaz, seconded by Commissioner Buetell, to approve the division of the Nautical Mile address list as agreed upon. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**New Business**

Chairperson Turner opened the discussion by explaining a need to determine appropriate permanent and temporary signage for historical districts, namely 300 Broadway property since the intent of the City and assigned Committee was to turn it into a location housing businesses. The Commissioners discussed the existing sign Ordinance.

Commissioner Pakledinaz suggested making the language more defined related to temporary signage.

Commissioner Turner indicated a distaste for any signage on the building but agreed with Commissioner Pakledinaz that once a name was decided upon for the building at 300 Broadway, a permanent sign may need to be placed on the building, but that businesses would need a place on the grounds to advertise, not affixed to the building itself.

Commissioner Tisdale suggested that to place a sign on the grounds, the person requesting the sign would need to apply for a Certificate of Appropriateness. City Clerk Adams suggested once the appropriate styles were decided upon for temporary and permanent signs, the application to place a sign on the property could be streamlined and approved through the City offices rather than waiting for a quarterly meeting by the Historic Commission. Commissioner Ross indicated a permanent sign would require approval.

Motion by Commissioner Pakledinaz, seconded by Commissioner Beutell, for each member of the Commission to review the existing sign Ordinance and to determine what they felt was appropriate signage to bring to the next meeting for discussion. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Commissioner Skwiers, seconded by Commissioner Beutell, to adjourn at 5:59 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon M. Adams

City Clerk