

AGENDA

VILLAGE OF HINSDALE

MEETING OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Tuesday, November 11, 2014 – 5:00PM

Memorial Hall - Memorial Building
19 East Chicago Avenue, Hinsdale
(Tentative and Subject to Change)

1. **Minutes** – Review and approval of the minutes from the October 14, 2014.

2. **Discussion**
 - Map project:
 - Currently the Village has about 50-60 maps.
 - Reviewing the option to coordinating with Master Department Students at the Art Institute of Chicago. A letter of introduction and project information was sent to the Chair of the Art Institute. No response to date.
 - Will need the HHS coordination to review the existing documents.
 - Looking at a web-based document and an updated handout map.

 - Proposed HPC budget: Currently working on the details of the budget to review with the Village Manager. Review the in progress detailed budget.

 - Preservation Ordinance text amendment: On Monday, October 27, 2014, Chairman Peterson presented to the ZPC and the ZPC approved the proposed text amendment. On Tuesday, November 4, 2014, the Village Board of Trustees reviewed the text amendment and provided changes to "E" and approved the text amendment with the changes. HPC to review the changings and confirm this meets the commissioner's intent.

 - Possibility of a 2nd tier Land Marking: Waiting for approval of funding to proceed with this program.

 - Fence Regulations: Reviewing the update to the current code about iron fences.
 - In 1998 the Village worked on fencing code and allowed for 3' high fences in the front of homes. Wrought iron fences were originally not going to come under the new 3' ordinance in front yards because they posed no real visual obstruction (as opposed to picket fences, which had prompted the review of the ordinance.)
 - When drafted and approved, no exception for wrought iron fences was made and all fences have thus come under the ordinance. Wrought iron fences were mistakenly included in the new ordinance. The intent of the discussions preceding the new ordinance was to exempt wrought iron fences from being limited to 3' in height.
 - While wrought iron fences are allowed in front yards, they should not be governed by the 3' high rule since they do not create a visual obstruction by their very nature.
 - Looking to allow iron fencing in front of homes.
 - Reviewed the need to scale the height based on the height of the home and the set back.
 - Reviewed photos of homes with fencing examples in the October 14, 2014 HPC meeting.

- Protection of historic homes during demolition/construction:
 - Moving forward with language from Oak Park.
 - The Village Attorney is drafting an ordinance which will move through the Committee and Village Board.
 - Review the memo provided by Robert McGinnis to ZPS dated October 20, 2014.

3. Adjournment

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