

Agenda Item Number 7

Memo

To: Historic Preservation Committee

Fr: Trevor Fuller, Planning and Zoning Administrator

Re: DISCUSSION OF CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANT

Date: October 22, 2015

The committee made the recommendation at the May meeting to proceed with the CLG grant process to nominate the Miramar Drive Residential Historic District and two individually eligible listings, 3430 Langlade Road and 2568 S. Webster Avenue, to the National Register of Historic Places.

Staff submitted a letter of intent for the projects in September. The next step in this process is to complete the application and solicit two estimates for the project from state-approved consultants and submit the materials to the Wisconsin Historical Society by November 14th of this year.

Attached, please find a section of the draft application for your reference.

Staff will report more on the application and the grant process at the meeting.

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

The Village of Allouez Historic Preservation Committee and the village planner will manage three nomination projects to the National Register of Historic Places – the Miramar Drive Residential Historic District, the Roger Minahan House (3430 Langlade Road), and the Herman A. & Lillian Greiling House (2568 S. Webster Avenue). These homes were identified in the Architectural and Historical Intensive Survey Report completed in 2013.

The first nomination is the Miramar Drive Residential Historic District. This district is at the heart of the village, connecting the two main north-south thoroughfares in the village. A well-defined cluster of 26 single-family residences were built over three decades, beginning in 1924, and were identified in the intensive survey report as representing the prevailing architectural styles of their time – Colonial Revival and Tudor Revival being most prominent.

The second and third nominations are both identified in the intensive survey report as being individually eligible private residences and both are located outside of the Miramar Drive Residential Historic District. The Roger Minahan House, located at 3430 Langlade Road, was built in 1938 and is an example of the Georgian Revival. The Herman A. & Lillian Greiling House, located on a main thoroughfare in the village (2568 S. Webster Avenue), was built in 1920 and is an example of the Mediterranean Revival.

HOW DOES THE PROJECT MEET LOCAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION GOALS

Historic preservation in the Village of Allouez consists of a philosophy in the Village of Allouez Comprehensive Plan, a chapter in the village ordinances specifying historic preservation procedures, a society that brings awareness to the community, and a historic preservation committee who is committed to preserve the heritage of Allouez.

The primary historic preservation goal of the village is to ensure the continued existence of our heritage and to promote the importance this heritage has on the surrounding community. The Village of Allouez is landlocked, with the Fox River and East River making up our east and west borders and the larger cities of Green Bay and De Pere occupying land to the north and south. While this geographic location can bring about many benefits, it can propose challenges when it comes to historic preservation – knowing that Allouez cannot expand outwards and costs to tear down and rebuild are often less than to preserve an existing structure and adapt for reuse.

The village is seeking out ways to be proactive rather than reactive in preserving our heritage. Having homes nominated to the State and National Registries is a great way to preserve our heritage and promote the importance of this heritage. The village has adhered to the philosophy of this goal by recently completing a project, nominating two municipally-owned structures to the State and National Registries. The results of these nominations are two-fold – preserves and promotes. The village set an example with this project that has generated interest and public awareness.

The Village of Allouez Architectural and Historical Intensive Survey identified 13 individually eligible listings and three eligible historic residential districts in the village. Through recent public outreach and historic preservation promotion efforts, an excited interest from two property owners of individually eligible homes and one eligible historic residential district has been generated. Owners of these properties are enthusiastic and motivated to have their homes nominated to the State and National Registries. The village is interested in moving forward with these nominations to capitalize on this public interest and to continue to preserve and promote our heritage.