

**MINUTES
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
CITY HALL – COMMUNITY ROOM
DECEMBER 11, 2024 – 6:30 P.M.**

The Farmington Hills Historic District Commission meeting was called to order by Chair Tulas at 6:32pm.

Members Present: Klemmer, Tulas, Thomson, Trafelet, Paulson, Howard, Olson

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Kris Canty (Staff Planner, Planning & Community Development Department)
Valerie Knol (City Council Liaison)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Trafelet, support by Klemmer.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Certificate of Appropriateness 24-6

Historic District Site: HD #504 – Kirby White House

Location: 24200 Farmington Road

Applicant: Wayne C. Elliott

Owner: Wayne C. Elliott

Proposal: Install 15 Shutters close to the historic character of the house.

Ken Klemmer presented the details surrounding the COA. The house originally had shutters on it and the current owner would like to restore this look by adding them back.

Motion to approve the COA as submitted (in alignment with the Secretary of Interior standards #9 and #2) by Olson, support by Trafelet.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business.

POINTS OF INTEREST / UPDATES

Events for 2025 – 2026

Steve Olson presented a proposal to have the HDC host some social events in 2025 that would engage members of the community and specifically property owners within the historic district. Chair Tulas suggested utilizing the Spicer House in May (Preservation Month) to host an event. If the Farmington History Museum is moved to the Spicer House, it might be a good kickoff event. Ken Klemmer noted the 100-year anniversary of his house is occurring next year and there will be an event at his place.

Sarah Fisher Site

John Trafelet proposed creating new documentation (video) of the Sarah Fisher complex as it prepares for re-development and marks its 100th anniversary.

Nehemiah Hoyt House

Kris Canty presented an update on the Nehemiah Hoyt House. The city took 6 contractors through the property to solicit bids to address structural issues (roof, gutters, decks, gazebo, stairway, French doors, railings, etc...). General discussion by the HDC Board lent support to the city efforts to preserve the property.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence received.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

TULAS: Christmas wreaths have been installed at the city cemeteries (West and East). These were donated by Steve Gaetz.

KLEMMER: None.

THOMSON: None.

PAULSON: None.

TRAFELET: None.

OLSON: None.

HOWARD: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – (NOVEMBER 13, 2024)

Motion to approve minutes made by Tulas, supported by Trafelet.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Tulas, supported by Trafelet.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

7:35 PM

Submitted by Alec Thomson (December 11, 2024)