

**MEETING MINUTES
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
January 13, 2016 – 7:30
FARMINGTON HILLS CITY HALL – COMMUNITY ROOM
31555 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD, FARMINGTON HILLS, MI**

#	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION SUMMARY/PERTINENT INFO	FORMAL MOTIONS:
1.	CALL TO ORDER:	The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm	
2.	ROLL CALL:	<p>MEMBERS PRESENT: Ken Klemmer, Don Millington, Steve Olson, Joan Barber (7:40), Michael Hegarty, Ken Weikal, David Johnston</p> <p>MEMBERS ABSENT: none</p> <p>OTHERS PRESENT: Staff Liaison Stec</p>	
3.	APPROVAL OF AGENDA:		<p>MOTION BY: HEGARTY SUPPORT BY: KLEMMER</p> <p>APPROVE WITH THE CORRECTION OF POINTS OF INTEREST ITEM 5.D. FROM HD#301 TO HD#7</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED: 6-0 (one member absent)</p>
4A.	<p>NEW BUSINESS: <u>AMENDMENT TO NOTICE TO PROCEED 15-6</u> HISTORIC DISTRICT: HD#507 Sarah Fisher Home LOCATION: 27400 Inkster Road PARCEL ID: 23-12-476-008 ACTION: APPROVE THE PRESERVATION OF COTTAGES 6 & 8 IN LIEU OF 4 & 5 OWNER: St. John Providence</p>	<p>Extensive discussion was held concerning the proposed changes to the original approved motion.</p> <p>Issues such as individual building use, traffic flow, visual perspective upon entering the site from 12 Mile Road, lack of visually seeing historic buildings from Inkster Road, saving historically significant materials from buildings to be demolished, reasons for saving 2-different cottages, and whether the proponent has had conversation with adjacent property owners.</p> <p>The Commission determined that the proposal as presented would facilitate a more pleasing historical visual effect along the main entryway from 12 Mile Road to the Administration building and beyond. This is accomplished by the position of cottages #6 & #8, and the new single story structures in one location. These new structures will use historical materials from demolished</p>	<p>MOTION BY: MILLINGTON SUPPORT BY: KLEMMER</p> <p>MOTION TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO PREVIOUSLY APPROVED NOTICE TO PROCEED 15-6 PERMITTING THE PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC COTTAGES 6 & 8 IN LIEU OF COTTAGES 4 & 5. THE FIRST SENTENCE OF THE THIRD CONDITION OF APPROVAL WAS AMENDED TO READ “EXISTING WOOD WINDOWS AND ARCHITECTURALLY SIGNIFICANT EXTERIOR ELEMENTS AND HISTORIC BUILDING MATERIALS IN</p>

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		cottages when appropriate, adding to the historical nature of the site's local area. The landscaping at the Administration building entrance will be upgraded in keeping with the historical ambiance.	THE HISTORIC BUILDINGS SHALL BE RETAINED, PRESERVED, AND REUSED IN SO FAR AS POSSIBLE IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW ON-SITE BUILDINGS." MOTION CARRIED: 6-1
5A.	POINTS OF INTEREST/UPDATES: 2016 Historic Home Tour	One home site, The Edward Beals House has committed to date; historic district site #202, Boorn-Halsted House has declined to again participate. All homes that wish to participate should commit by the HDC meeting scheduled for February10, 2016	
5B.	POINTS OF INTEREST/UPDATES: Video Productions	Commissioners Millington and Johnston will meet by the end of January with the Historical Commission member Willyard to strategize for video filming of the Orange Risdon Map.	
5C.	POINTS OF INTEREST/UPDATES: Designation of 26291 Pillsbury	Liaison Stec will contact SHPO on the status of the approval application	
5D.	POINTS OF INTEREST/UPDATES: Transmittal of Preliminary Study Committee Report on request to eliminate historic designation on HD#7, The David Simmons House, to the Planning Commission and SHPO review bodies	Liaison Stec will make inquiries: 1) if FH Public Services Dept would entertain adding the home to Heritage Park 2) if homeowners have discussed sale to neighboring properties 3) if homeowners are willing to share cost to move home Copies of a draft "Disposition Document" was distributed to the commissioners for their critique. This document contains the instructions to proponents who wish to bid on this home for removal from its existing site and restoring the structure on another site.	
5E.	POINTS OF INTEREST/UPDATES: Commission Vacancy	Liaison Stec reported that the City will advertise that there are vacancies on several boards and commissions, including the HDC.	
6.	CORRESPONDENCE:		
7.	PUBLIC COMMENTS:	No public present	

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8.	COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:		
9.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 9, 2015		MOTION BY: HEGARTY SUPPORT BY: WEIKAL MOTION TO APPROVE DECEMBER 9, 2015 HDC MINUTES AS PRESENTED MOTION CARRIED: 7-0
10.	ADJOURNMENT:	Meeting adjourned at 9:00	
	MINUTES PREPARED BY	Don Millington, Secretary	