



Community Preservation Committee

Regular

~ Minutes ~

36 Court Street
Springfield, MA 01103

<http://www.springfieldcityhall.com>

Kathy Calvanese

Tuesday, December 3, 2024

6:00 PM

Utilizing Remote Collaboration Technology

I. Call to Order

6:00 PM Meeting called to order on December 3, 2024 at Utilizing Remote Collaboration Technology, (Online), Springfield, MA.

II. Public Portion

Springfield Community Preservation Committee

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Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic and pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order concerning the Open Meeting Law, the Springfield Community Preservation Committee will continue to meet remotely until further notice. A full video recording of this meeting can be viewed here:

<https://www.facebook.com/Springfield> <<http://www.facebook.com/Springfield>>

CommunityPreservationCommittee/Annual Public Hearing public comments are accepted until September 30, 2024 for inclusion in the Community Preservation Plan. Telephone 413-530-1268. Mail to Community Preservation Committee, City Hall, 36 Court St, Springfield, 01103 or e-mail to: cpc@springfieldcityhall.com

Present: Juanita Martinez (Conservation Commission), Yolanda Cancel (Neighborhood Representative) Gloria DeFillipo (Planning Board Representative) Robert McCarroll (Springfield Preservation Trust), Stephen Bosworth (Neighborhood Representative), **Absent:** Clinton Harris (Park Department Representative) Judy Crowell (Historical Commission) Rhonda Sherrell - (Neighborhood Representative) Willie Thomas (Housing Authority)

Call to Order 6:00 p.m.

Approve Minutes of November 12

Historic Homes Preservation Program Lottery

Contract Change Requests: Requested Termination of Trinity United Methodist Church

Adopt Annual CPA Plan

Adopt Application Template and Instructions

Administrator's Updates

Other Matters

Next meeting-January 7

History Homes Lottery Drawing.

The Historic Home Restoration program (HHRP) is supported by the Community Preservation Act (CPA) and the City of Springfield. All funding for this program has been allocated by the Community Preservation Committee. The lottery drawing uses randomizer software to select addresses. All qualified addresses are entered into the software and are sorted randomly. Each applicant has an equal chance of winning and the odds of winning are determined by the number of applications. If a homeowner withdraws or is found ineligible, address #11 will be contacted and so forth until funds are depleted. Congratulations to:

32 Fairfield Street

59 Firglade Avenue

300 Forest Park Ave

41 Churchill St

71 Marengo Park

48 Madison Ave

70 Cornell Street

145 Harvard Street

70 Bowdoin Street

164-166 Washington Blvd

If your address was not selected, your application remains on file for the next lottery (provided the committee recommends funding for the program).

Approval of Minutes

Approval of November 12, 2024 Minutes. Motion to accept the minutes by Juanita Martinez and seconded by Stephen Bosworth. Gloria and Yolanda abstained. Motion passed..

Requests for Contract Changes

Requested Termination of Trinity United Methodist Church contract

SCPC recommended funding for non-religious imagery stained glass windows. The contract was signed and the work was completed. One of the conditions of the grant is agreement to create a local historic district. The church is requesting the Committee remove the LHD requirement in order to be confident of moving forward with their outside elevator plans.

Motion by Gloria seconded by Juanita to remove or waive the requirement for LHD.

Yes. None.

NO: Gloria, Steve, Juanita, Yolanda, Bob Motion passed.

A no vote keeps the current contract in place and the creation of a LHD will be required.

Adopt Annual CPA Plan

Final plan to approve. Goals and plans reviewed. Motion to adopt the revised Community Preservation Plan made by Juanita Martinez and seconded by Yolanda Cancel. All in favor.

Motion passed

Review Application Template and Instructions

Continuation of the “in perpetuity” requirement on historic resources (tabled last month).

Should the committee consider a shorter term preservation restriction on a case by case basis? Argument: The preservation goal of CPA funds used in a project are to protect the CPA investment and ensure exterior changes are reviewed by the SHC. A preservation restriction and a local historic district may be undone or reversed at a later time (this requires a multi-step process that can take considerable time, but it can be accomplished). Motion by Gloria, seconded by Juanita to keep the current language and the requirement that the grantee agree to a “in perpetuity” preservation restriction for the protection of the historic resource. Yolanda, abstain. Yes. Gloria, Juanita, Steve, Bob. Motion passes.

Motion to accept the new application and instructions. All in favor. Motion passes.

Paper applications to: Bob, Steve, Willie, Juanita, Rhonda, Clinton, Yolanda. Digital to: Judy and Gloria (Karen needs 3 paper copies of each application). Applicants will submit 9 paper copies.

Administrator’s Updates.

Other Matters. None.

Next meeting-January 7

Motion to adjourn