CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION:

Omaha Preservation Administrator certifies publication in the Daily Record, the official newspaper of the City of Omaha, on Thursday, March 29, 2012, notice re: Landmarks Heritage Preservation Commission meeting, April 11, 2012.

MEMBERS PRESENT:   Douglas Bisson, Chair  
                    Wanda Ewing  
                    Gregory Mahloch  
                    Jose Garcia  
                    Peggy Jones

MEMBER(S) NOT PRESENT:   Albert Macchietto, Vice Chair  
                         Eduardo Santamaria  
                         Nancy Novak

OTHERS PRESENT:   Mike Leonard, LHPC Administrator  
                  RoseMarie Horvath, Law Department  
                  Rick Cunningham, Planning Director  
                  Pat Slaven, Parks Department  
                  Clinette Warren, Recording Secretary

Douglas Bisson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm, introduced the Commission members, as well as the staff. Mr. Bisson explained the procedures for hearing the cases. Roll was taken with five members present.

CASES:

NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION:

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At the Landmarks Heritage Preservation Commission meeting held on Wednesday, April 11, 2012, Pat Slaven and Jim Krance appeared before the Board in support of the request.

Mike Leonard, LHPC Administrator, explained that the nomination for the Omaha Park and Boulevard System is a continuation of a nomination that began back in 2004. He further explained that if the Board voted to grant approval for the nomination, it would then be forwarded to the State. If the State voted to grant approval for the nomination, the National Park Service would then make the decision whether to make the Omaha Park and Boulevard System a National Landmark.

Pat Slaven, Parks Department, shared a Power Point presentation about the history of the Omaha Park
and Boulevard System. She explained that the Parks and Boulevard System emerged from the City Beautiful movement, which was a nationwide movement that began in the late 1800’s. The movement began largely because of the rapid growth of cities at the time which created problems with dirt, crime and overcrowding. The movement started in the east for the purpose of developing plans for green spaces throughout the cities. The City Beautiful movement caught hold in Omaha in the 1880’s because of the rapid growth of the city, which grew in population from 30,000 to 100,000 in just one decade. George Miller was a physician in Omaha who later became a publisher. He used his editorial skills to push for parks in Omaha. He also promoted state legislation that was passed in 1889, which gave cities in Nebraska the means to acquire, develop and maintain a system of public parks and boulevards. It also gave the City of Omaha the authority to establish a park commission that could issue bonds and raise funds through taxation. The commission, headed by Mr. Miller, hired H.W.S. Cleveland who was a nationally known landscape architect at the time. Together they established a green space system throughout the entire city, including boulevards that would link the parks together. Ms. Slaven showed several slides of the various parks and boulevards that were created in the city including Jefferson Park, Hanscom Park, Bemis Park, Elmwood Park, Riverview Park and Florence Boulevard.

In response to Mr. Mahloch, Ms. Slaven stated that the nomination would be a form of recognition for the City of Omaha. Also in response to Mr. Mahloch; Ms. Slaven explained that there would be no restrictions on the land and that the biggest impact would occur when there are federal funds involved for issues such as road projects that would affect boulevards. Jim Krance, former Landmarks Heritage Preservation Commission Administrator, further explained that the nomination represents recognition of a very significant landscape, recognition of a very significant park designer of the time and recognition of the City Beautiful movement. Mr. Krance commented that the State encouraged the City to apply for the nomination.

Ms. Jones questioned the reason it has taken several years to get the nomination underway. Mr. Krance responded that there has been difficulty in putting the information together, especially since there are not many of these types of nominations. Ms. Jones commented that since there are not many of these types of nominations, it could be used as a marketing tool for the City.

Rick Cunningham, Planning Director, added that the park system is one of the jewels of the City. He explained that in Omaha’s early years, the criterion was set for every resident to be in walking distance of a park. The nomination brings recognition to the forefathers of the city for bringing the idea to the city, making sacrifices and raising the money needed to put the plan in place. Mr. Cunningham added that this type of amenity would appeal to young persons who are looking for the connectivity to green open spaces.

In response to Ms. Jones, Ms. Slaven responded that there is one connection for all the trails and parks. She explained that another east/west connection south of the interstate will open in the future which will tie all the trails, parks and boulevards together.

Mr. Garcia requested clarification of the National Registry “50-year cut-off” that is referred to in the nomination documents. Ms. Slaven explained that the location being nominated has to be, at minimum, 50 years old. Also in response to Mr. Garcia, Ms. Slaven stated that the designation of the park system would not complicate the plans that the city has for the CSO projects planned for some of the parks.

Mr. Bisson made a motion to approve the National Register Nomination for the Omaha Park and Boulevard System. Seconded by Mr. Garcia.

Motion carried: 5-0

AYES: Mahloch, Garcia, Jones, Ewing, Bisson
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At the Landmarks Heritage Preservation Commission meeting held on Wednesday, April 11, 2012, Michael Mann, Dan McGovern and Kevin Straub appeared before the Board in support of the request.

Mr. Mann, Security National Bank, stated that the bank would like to install an ATM in front of their building. He explained that the Department of Justice informed them that, in order to conform to the Americans with Disabilities Act, the height/reach requirements need to be changed and voice guidance needs to be added so that those who are visually impaired would be able to independently perform ATM transactions. The goal of the Department of Justice was to have the ATM’s upgraded by March 15, 2012. The bank’s current ATM cannot be upgraded to the 2010 requirement for voice guidance and therefore, needs to be replaced. Mr. Mann added that when the new ATM was ordered, they realized that it was 7” too high and would not meet the requirements for the Department of Justice. Vendors came out to perform a site survey and concluded that, since there is a free-standing Bank of the West ATM across the street, their best option for the Security National Bank would be to install a free-standing ATM in front of their building. Mr. Mann stated that their goal is to install a fully ADA compliant ATM. They also want to protect and preserve the building and also provide an ATM that is accessible to the patrons and residents of the Old Market 24 hours a day. Mr. Mann explained that it was determined that the majority of the business at the ATM was from Friday through Sunday with 65% of that business occurring when the bank is closed. Referring to the documents that were submitted to the Board, Mr. Mann showed the different options for placement of the ATM. If it was placed in front of the building where the windows are, it would be 17” too tall. If the ATM were placed inside the store it would limit the volume of the ATM since most transactions occur after the bank is closed. He explained that if the ATM remained at its current location, it would be 7” too high to meet the requirements set by the Department of Justice. Mr. Mann explained that the conclusion was that the free-standing ATM would be their best choice.

In response to Mr. Garcia, Mr. McGovern confirmed that there is video monitoring at the current ATM location, with plans to also add video monitoring at the proposed location. Mr. Garcia’s concern was that the current ATM was partially hidden, which could create security issues. Also in response to Mr. Garcia, Mr. Leonard stated that he was not aware of any regulations as to the placement of vending machines in front of buildings in the city, but that it was anticipated that machines would eventually populate the Old Market. In regards to the Bank of the West ATM, Mr. Leonard stated that it had been decided that there would be no special lighting of the machine. The positioning of the machine with respect to pedestrian traffic was also taken into consideration. Mr. Leonard explained that the intent is to make these machines as non-intrusive as possible. He further explained that there were not many options in regards to Security National’s placement of the ATM given their location.

In response to Mr. Bisson, Mr. Straub stated the placement of the Security National signage on the front windows would be removed with the proposed placement of the ATM. In response to Ms. Jones and Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Straub confirmed that they would have the ability to choose a color, black for example, that would best compliment the façade of the building and its surroundings.

Mr. Mahloch inquired as to whether any other locations for the ATM were considered. He suggested a parking stall in a nearby lot for placement of the ATM. His concern was that pedestrian traffic would be slowed by people waiting in line to use the ATM. Mr. McGovern responded that one of the advantages of placing the ATM in front of the bank would be the added security for the machine from cameras inside the bank. Mr. Mahloch’s opinion was that the placement of the ATM in front of the Security National Bank building would junk up the Old Market. Mr. Straub’s response was that the depth of a few people waiting
in line to use the ATM would be minimal in comparison with a business a few doors down from the bank that has patio seating extending out from the façade of their building.

Mr. Bisson commented that he was not really concerned with the depth issue but with the color and design of the proposed ATM machine. If the request was approved, he suggested adding stipulations as to the color of the ATM. Ms. Ewing agreed, and added that she was also concerned with the signage for the bank.

Ms. Ewing made a motion to approve the relocation of the ATM in front of the building with the stipulation that the City be consulted on the color chosen for the ATM and that the signage in the window be removed.

Seconded by Mr. Jones.

AYES: Garcia, Jones, Ewing, Bisson

NAYES: Mahloch

Motion denied 4-1 (Five votes are required for a motion to be approved)

Mr. Mahloch suggested that the representatives from the bank come back with other options for placement of the ATM.

Mr. Leonard stated that one of the options available to Security National would be to come back within 90 days after working with some of the items that had been suggested. He also advised that the next time there could be more members of the commission present which could possibly provide the five votes needed for the vote to pass.

Mr. Cunningham suggested laying the case over for 30 – 60 days.

Motion by Ms. Jones to lay the case over for 30 – 60 days to allow the applicant additional time to explore additional locations. Seconded by Ms. Ewing.

AYES: Mahloch, Garcia, Jones, Ewing, Bisson

Motion carried 5-0

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<td>First OFB, LLC</td>
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At the Landmarks Heritage Preservation Commission meeting held on Wednesday, April 11, 2012, no one appeared before the Board in support of the request.

Motion by Mr. Bisson to lay the case until the May 9, 2012 meeting of the Board. Seconded by Mr. Garcia.

AYES: Mahloch, Garcia, Jones, Ewing, Bisson

Motion carried 5-0
ACTION ITEM:

At the Landmarks Heritage Preservation Commission meeting held on Wednesday, April 11, 2012, discussion took place regarding the FY2012 Grant Request.

Mike Leonard, Landmarks Heritage Preservation Commission Administrator, stated that the approval of the FY2012 Grant Request is for next year’s fiscal year grant. He explained that half of the grant would be used to further the digitizing process of the archives. The City is working with a contractor who is creating a new web site that will be accessible to the public. The public will be able to access the city’s historic preservation records and interact with the different maps. The other half would be for a streetcar study that would be beneficial in some of the neighborhood conservation enhancement efforts and initiatives to determine how it affects and impacts pedestrian and automobile traffic. Mr. Leonard informed the Board that Caitlin Kolb, an intern from Cornell University, is being hired for 10 weeks during the summer. Ms. Kolb has worked with the National Trust archiving Frank Lloyd Wright’s projects. There is also an outside contractor currently digitizing the microfilm plans for commercial building permits. They should be done by June 1, 2012, which is the end of the fiscal year for 2011.

Motion by Mr. Garcia to approve the FY2012 Grant Request as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Bisson.

AYES: Mahloch, Garcia, Jones, Ewing, Bisson

Motion carried 5-0

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Handout of Omaha Quartermaster Depot Report from NeSHPO

Mr. Leonard explained that the report was developed by the State. The buildings are from the 1880’s. Mr. Cunningham added that the site is on the list that is shown to people who are interested in redevelopment projects of a historical nature. Mr. Bisson inquired into the status of the mid-century modern reports. Mr. Leonard assured Mr. Bisson that he would forward to the Board all the mid-century modern reports and other information that may be of interest to them.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Ms. Ewing moved to APPROVE the January 11, 2012 meeting minutes as written. Ms. Jones seconded the motion.

AYES: Mahloch, Garcia, Jones, Ewing, Bisson

Motion carried 5-0

MISCELLANEOUS:

Mr. Cunningham explained that he would like for the Board to be able to discuss studies and issues confronting the city from a historical perspective. He assured them that Mr. Leonard would be able to assist them in making presentations and discussions of the different historical areas in the city. Mr. Bisson added that, as a Board member, he would like to know about the results of the different studies that are done in the City. Mr. Leonard responded that there are Power Point presentations that were put together in the past that explains the history of the Landmarks Heritage Preservation Commission. Mr. Leonard explained that every year from about 2004, there have been reconnaissance surveys done from people...
who go into different historical sections throughout the city identifying the structures that have the potential to be landmarks or national register buildings. They take pictures of the best structures and put them into books. Mr. Leonard stated that this information has been very helpful in picking national nominations. He encouraged the Board to bring properties to his attention if they think it would be worthy nomination.

Mr. Cunningham informed the Board that L.B. 888, a bill for historic estate and historic tax credit, did not move forward in the Senate. He thinks it may be reintroduced in the next session. He also explained that this bill would work well with the Federal tax credit for Nebraska as an incentive for the restoration and maintenance of historic structures.

It was the consensus of the Commission to ADJOURN the meeting at 2:47 p.m.