

Landmarks Board

City of Springfield

Meeting will be held at
Historic City Hall
830 Boonville Avenue

April 6, 2022
5:30 p.m.



Vacant (Chair)

At-Large Representative

Layne Hunton (Vice-Chair)

Architect Representative

Paul Lewis

Historian Representative

Jan Preston

Real Estate Representative

Kent Brown

Mid-Town Representative

John Hawkins

Walnut Street Representative

Adam Letterman

At-Large Representative

Bryan Lenox

At-Large Representative

Vacant

*Commercial Street
Representative*

I Roll Call

II Minutes

March 9, 2022

III Unfinished Business

A. Certificate of Appropriateness (none)

B. Certified Local Government Review (none)

C. Pre-Application Review (none)

IV New Business

A. Certificates of Appropriateness (none)

B. Certified Local Government Review (none)

C. Pre-Application Review (none)

D. Local Historic Site Nomination Review (none)

V Communications

VI Reports

A. Report on committees (none)

B. Application (none)

C. Demolition

D. Historic Sites and Districts

a. Jefferson Avenue Footbridge – vote to support RAISE grant application

b. Potential Local Nominations

E. Communications (none)

F. Awards and Recognition

G. Design Guidelines (none)

H. Administrative approval of C of A's

VII Any other matters that fall under the jurisdiction of the Board

VIII Adjournment

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MINUTES OF THE LANDMARKS BOARD

DATE: March 9, 2022

TIME: 5:30pm

The meeting and public hearing of the Landmarks Board was held on the above date and time in person in Historic City Hall.

ROLL CALL:

Landmarks Board members: Layne Hunton (Vice-Chair), Paul Lewis, Adam Letterman, John Hawkins, Jan Preston, and Bryan Lenox. Absent: Kent Brown, Paul Lewis, and Kaitlyn McConnell. Staff members: Michael Sparlin, Senior Planner and Kyle Tolbert, Assistant Attorney.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of February 9, 2022, were approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Certificate of Appropriateness:

237 South Florence – Melissa Higbie, representing the owner and looking to make the building accessible (3rd layer is not accessible) adding new elevator for internal accessibility to all parts of the building and here to answer any questions.

Mr. Layne Hunton asked about matching the brick.

Ms. Higbie said that the proposal of the addition will have the same brick.

Mr. Layne Hunton closed the public hearing.

Board Action:

Bryan Lenox motioned to **approve** the Certificate of Appropriateness (**237 South Florence**). John Hawkins seconded the motion. The motion carried as follows: Ayes: Layne Hunton (Vice-Chair), Adam Letterman, Jan Preston, Bryan Lenox, and John Hawkins. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Kent Brown, Paul Lewis, and Kaitlyn McConnell.

Certificate of Appropriateness:

920 East Walnut Street – Brandon and Dixie Dickman, representing the owner, stated the goal is to keep the main structure that was destroyed from the fire. Most work will be repairing the gutters, shingles, soffit corbel brackets, and replacing vinyl siding with wood siding on dormers on front gable above the roof line.

Board members responded in appreciation of the repairs and the commitment.

Mr. Layne Hunton closed the public hearing.

Board Action:

John Hawkins motioned to **approve** the Certificate of Appropriateness (**920 East Walnut Street**). Jan Preston seconded the motion. The motion carried as follows: Ayes: Layne Hunton (Vice-Chair), Adam Letterman, Jan Preston, Bryan Lenox, and John Hawkins. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Kent Brown, Paul Lewis, and Kaitlyn McConnell.

Local Historic Site Nomination Review:

836 South Delaware Avenue – Mr. Michael Sparlin speaking on behalf of the owners, who couldn't attend the meeting due to work schedules, stated that the house at 836 and 836½ South Delaware were originally owned by the Calhoun family and stayed in the family for approximately 110 years. Alexander and Susie Calhoun married in 1877 and move to Springfield and owned Calhoun Buggy and Implement Company, located downtown Springfield. The Calhoun's started with 25 acres of farmland and used their house as a social center for the community and also served as a meeting area for the Pickwick Sewing Club and Springfield Little Theatre.

836 S. Delaware features both a large two-story farmhouse and smaller split level carriage house (836½) and the main feature of the Craftman style farmhouse is the Carthage limestone that lines the large overhanging front porch, which is a characteristic of the Craftsman style.

What makes this notable is that the structure's is the masonry and very few houses in Rountree between Grand and Cherry have masonry. The floor plan in the farmhouse is classically Victorian and there is a large foyer, large front rooms, spartan kitchen with large pocket doors that close of the dining room and kitchen. The house features are perfect for entertaining.

The owners plan to apply for a short-term rental application for the carriage house. Listing in the Historic Register is a requirement for carriage houses to be used as short-term rentals.

Mr. Hunton opened the public hearing.

No speakers.

Mr. Hunton closed the public hearing.

Board Action:

Mr. John Hawkins motioned to **approve** Historic Site Nomination (**836 South Delaware Avenue**). Ms. Jan Preston seconded the motion. The motioned carried as follows: Ayes: Hunton (Vice-Chair), Preston, Hawkins, Letterman, and Lenox. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Kaitlyn McConnell (Chair), Paul Lewis, and Kent Brown.

COMMUNICATIONS:

REPORTS:

Report on Committees: None

Application: None

Demolition: None

Historic Site and Districts:

Jefferson Avenue Footbridge: Mr. Kyle Tolbert, Assistant Attorney noted that the bids that were submitted were 2x over the amount and noted that City staff will apply for a grant through the U.S. Department of Transportation that would able the foot bridge to go forward. The deadline for the grant is in April and awarded in August, however there are only about 100 projects awarded. The Grant Avenue Parkway Corridor Plan was awarded one several years ago.

Discussion on Preservation on Historic Building Signage: Mr. Layne Hunton noted that this topic may be removed from the agenda. Discussion on signage issues from the past.

Board Action:

Mr. John Hawkins motioned to **remove** from the agenda (**Discussion on Preservation on Historic Building Signage**). Ms. Jan Preston seconded the motion. The motioned carried as follows: Ayes: Hunton (Vice-Chair), Preston, Hawkins, Letterman, and Lenox. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Kaitlyn McConnell (Chair), Paul Lewis, and Kent Brown.

Administrative approval of C of A's: None

Any other matters that fall under the jurisdiction of the Board: None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:43pm.



Michael Sparlin, Senior Planner

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW OFFICE
MEMORANDUM**

DATE: April 1, 2022

TO: Landmarks Board

FROM: Michael Sparlin
Senior Planner

SUBJECT: Vote to support RISE grant application for Jefferson Avenue Footbridge Rehabilitation

The purpose of the agenda item is to formally request Landmarks Board support of the grant application City staff is preparing to submit for the purpose of rehabilitating the Jefferson Avenue Footbridge.

At their meeting on March 7, 2022, City Council authorized City staff to apply for grant funds from the United States Department of Transportation Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (“RAISE”) Grant Program to fund the improvements for the Jefferson Avenue Footbridge Rehabilitation Project. See the attached Resolution passed by City Council.

The Jefferson Avenue Footbridge was built in 1902 and is on the National Register of Historic Places and on the local Historic Register. The bridge is currently closed and need of repair before reopening. The project was bid in 2021 with two unresponsive bids received. Additionally, these two bids exceeded the funds that had been budgeted for the project. On December 7, 2021, City Council asked staff to look for additional funding opportunities. The RAISE Grant could provide the additional funding needed for this project. It is anticipated that projects selected for this grant will be announced by August 12, 2022.

If the Landmarks Board votes to support the grant application, a certificate declaring the Board’s support will be added to the application.

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COUNCIL BILL 2022- 058 RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION

1 AUTHORIZING the City Manager or his designee, to apply for up to \$8,000,000 in
2 grant funds from the United States Department of Transportation
3 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity
4 Grant Program to fund the improvements for the Jefferson Avenue
5 Footbridge Rehabilitation Project.
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8 WHEREAS, the Jefferson Avenue Footbridge was built in 1902, is on the
9 National Register of Historic Places, and has been closed for rehabilitation; and
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11 WHEREAS, the City received two unresponsive bids to the project to rehabilitate
12 Jefferson Avenue Footbridge in 2021, each of which exceeded the amount budgeted for
13 the project; and
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15 WHEREAS, based on these bids, the estimated total cost to rehabilitate the
16 Jefferson Avenue Footbridge is \$6,600,000; and
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18 WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation (“USDOT”)
19 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (“RAISE”) Grant
20 Program offers discretionary grants that help communities carry out projects with
21 significant local or regional impact; and
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23 WHEREAS, the Federal share of project costs may be up to 80 percent, or 100
24 percent if the project is located in an area deemed a historically disadvantaged
25 community; and
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27 WHEREAS, proposed RAISE projects are rigorously reviewed and evaluated by
28 USDOT using statutory criteria for safety, environmental sustainability, quality of life,
29 community connectivity, and others, and are selected based on merit.
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31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
32 SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI, as follows, that:
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34 Section 1 – The City Manager, or his designee, is hereby authorized to apply for
35 the RAISE grant from the United States Department of Transportation in the amount of

36 \$8,000,000, for the purpose of rehabilitating the Jefferson Avenue Footbridge.

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38 Section 2 – This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

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40 Passed at meeting: _____

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43 Mayor

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45 Attest: _____, City Clerk

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47 Filed as Resolution _____

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49 Approved as to form: Kyle Teltz, Assistant City Attorney

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52 Approved for Council action: Jason A. Hage, City Manager
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EXPLANATION TO COUNCIL BILL 2022- 058

FILED: 03-01-22

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Public Works

PURPOSE: Authorizing the City Manager or his designee, to apply for up to \$8,000,000 in grant funds, (100% of the \$8,000,000 total project budget) from the United States Department of Transportation Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity ("RAISE") Grant Program to fund the improvements for the Jefferson Avenue Footbridge Rehabilitation Project.

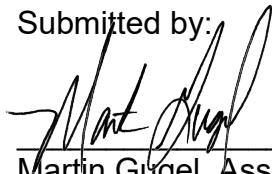
BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Jefferson Avenue Footbridge was built in 1902 and is on the National Register of Historic Places. The bridge is currently closed and need of repair before reopening. The project was bid in 2021 with two unresponsive bids received. Additionally, these two bids exceeded the funds that had been budgeted for the project. On December 7, 2021, City Council asked staff to look for additional funding opportunities. The RAISE Grant could provide the additional funding needed for this project. It is anticipated that projects selected for this grant will be announced by August 12, 2022.

Supports the following City Council Priorities:

- Quality of Place
- Public safety
- Economic vitality
- Fiscal sustainability

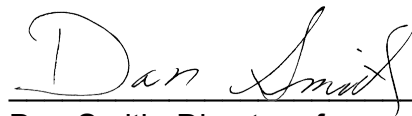
REMARKS: Public Works recommends passage of this Resolution.

Submitted by:



Martin Gugel, Assistant Director
of Public Works

Recommended by:



Dan Smith, Director of
Public Works

Approved by:



Jason Gage,
City Manager