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Katie Pereny, Secretary
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City of Mackinac Island
P.O. Box 455
Mackinac Island, MI 49757

Re: **CITY HALL HISTORICAL MARKER REPLACEMENT**
Design Review

Dear Ms. Pereny:

I have reviewed the proposed updated Historical Marker replacement in front of City Hall in the Market and Main Historic District.

Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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- c. Trista France, City of Mackinac Island
- Dennis Dombroski, City of Mackinac Island
- David Lipovski, City of Mackinac Island
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DESIGN REVIEW

CITY HALL HISTORICAL MARKER REPLACEMENT

7358 Market Street

Market and Main Historic District
Mackinac Island, Michigan

INTRODUCTION

The proposed project is the replacement of a State of Michigan Historical Marker in front of City Hall at 7358 Market Street, in the Market and Main Historic District. The building is a Contributing structure in the district. The project would replace a standard two-post, two-sided, cast aluminum sign (42" by 54") commemorating the history of Mackinac Island with updated text, and is being undertaken by the City of Mackinac Island.

This design review is based on City Code Sec. 10-161 "Design Review Standards and Guidelines", of Article V. "Historic District", of the City of Mackinac Island Ordinance No. 443, adopted October 21, 2009. The review standards are those of the Department of the Interior entitled "The United States Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation" and "Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings", as set forth in 36 CFR, part 67, as well as the factors set forth in City Code Sec. 10-161(b).

Materials submitted for Review consist of a photograph of the proposed location, sign text, and a written description of the project, dated 9 October 2024, by Trista France.

REVIEW

Of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards, and the Standards Under Sec. 10-161(b), the applicable Standards for review are the following:

Standard 9 - *"New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and shall be compatible with the massing, size and architectural features to protect the historic integrity of the property and its environment."*

The proposed sign addition would not destroy materials that characterize the property, would be differentiated as a non-historic feature, and would be compatible with the massing, size and architectural features of the property.

Standards Under Code Sec. 10-161(b)

In reviewing applications, the Commission shall also consider all of the following:

(1) - *"The historic or architectural value and significance of the resource and its relationship to the historic value of the surrounding area."*

The proposed sign replacement commemorating historic Mackinac Island would maintain the historic and architectural value of the property, and its relationship to the historic value of the surrounding historic district.

(2) - *"The relationship of any architectural features of the resource to the rest of the resource and to the surrounding area."*

Replacement of the commemorative sign would continue to be appropriate with the City Hall and the surrounding area.

(3) - *"The general compatibility of the design, arrangement, texture and materials proposed to be used."*

The replacement sign would be compatible, in terms of design, arrangement, texture and materials proposed to be used, as none of these characteristics would change from the existing.

(4) - *"Other factors, such as aesthetic value, that the Commission finds relevant."*

The updated commemorative sign would be appropriate aesthetically.

CONCLUSION

The replacement state historical marker proposed by the City of Mackinac Island to remain in front of City Hall would meet the Standards for review.

END OF REVIEW