

## **MINUTES**

Inglis House Study Committee

Wednesday, October 18, 2017, 5:30 pm

City Council Chambers

Ann Arbor City Hall

301 E. Huron Street

Attendees: Bridget Bly, Greg DeVries, Pat McCauley, Jill Thacher (staff), Kristine Kidorf (preservation consultant)

### **A. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:34.

Addition to the agenda: Staff proposed the addition of an item above Adjournment on the agenda called Consideration of final report and recommendation to City Council.

Moved by Bly, support by DeVries. Motion carried 3-0.

### **B. Roll Call**

### **C. Study Committee Information**

Thacher summarized the process and meetings to date. She described four meetings held by the Study Committee, the approval of the draft report, the 60 day public comment period, and distribution of the draft to the University of Michigan, City Planning Commission, Historic district Commission, SHPO, and posted on the city website at [www.a2gov.org/hdc](http://www.a2gov.org/hdc). Agendas, minutes, and site photos from the study committee were also posted there. This meeting was advertised on the Historic District Commission page of the city website, on the official city calendar, in the Washtenaw Legal News, was posted in the City Hall lobby, and notice was mailed to the property owner 15 days in advance in the form of a letter. Kidorf gave an overview of the Study Committee Report including Inglis family history, and explained the proposed district's boundary justification.

### **D. Public Hearing**

1. Connie Cook, 411 Lenawee Drive. Expressed support for designation.
2. Ann Shrieber, 2116 Dorset. Expressed support for the designation and division of the property.

3. Tom Weider, 2445 Newport. Does not support designation. Feels the house is not historic, that the Inglis family had little presence in the community, and that the house has low visibility and public awareness. He also feels a historic district will be too restrictive for future owners.
4. Marsha Major, 2303 Highland. Expressed support for the designation.
5. Connie Cook, 411 Lenawee – Feels that the building has more public recognition than another speaker suggested.
6. Bill Burnham – 2303 Highland. Expressed support for the designation. Believes the report is a model for recommending a property become a historic district.

**E. Communications**

Thacher reported that 19 emailed communications were received; 16 expressed support for the property becoming a district, one was opposed, and two were neutral but contained comments on the content of the report. Kidorf summarized the draft SHPO comments and how they have been addressed in the report.

**F. Consideration of final report and recommendation to Council**

The Committee discussed dates in the report and found and corrected one discrepancy.

Motion: Bly moved that the Inglis House Historic District Study Committee approve the Inglis House Historic District Study Committee Report as amended during this meeting. Support by McCauley. Approved 3-0.

Motion: DeVries moved that the Inglis House Historic District Study Committee recommend that the Ann Arbor City Council designate the Inglis House Historic District based on the amended final study committee report. Support by McCauley. Approved 3-0.

**G. The meeting was adjourned at 6:10pm.**