

## **MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING**

August 13, 2007

7:00 P.M.

### **DEVELOPMENT, PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE (DP&Z)**

- RE:   1)     Projecting “Blade” Signs for Commercial Districts  
      2)     Case Number 07 HPC-01 – Glos Mansion  
           Request for landmark designation  
      3)     Case Number 07 HPC-02 – Glos Mausoleum  
           Request for landmark designation  
      4)     Other Business

Committee Members Present:         Leader (Acting Chairman), Gutenkauf

City Staff Present:                 Said, Spiroff

Acting Chairman Leader called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

The Committee began discussion of the first item, Projecting Blade Signs for Commercial Districts. Acting Chairman Leader introduced the topic. The Committee discussed the pros and cons of blade signs, including historic perspectives and potential liability. The Committee desires input from the community about blade signs, specifically from City Centre, the Chamber of Commerce, the Vallette Business Association, and the Spring Road Business District. Staff indicated that representatives of these groups will be contacted. Discussion of this topic will be continued to the August 27<sup>th</sup> DP&Z meeting, or the next available meeting.

The Committee then began discussion of item 2, Case Number 07 HPC-01 – Glos Mansion. The Committee agreed with this request, but questions arose as to the status of designation. Assistant City Attorney Spiroff clarified, stating that there can be no alterations to the structure without City approval, nor can it be demolished without City approval. The designation goes with land designation and adds a layer of protection for this building. Possible future use for this building was reviewed and the possibility of future interior changes was discussed. The history of the mansion was also reviewed. The Committee will issue a report recommending approval of landmark designation for the Glos Mansion which will be placed under Committee Reports on the City Council agenda for August 20, 2007.

The Committee discussed item 3, Case Number 07 HPC-02 – Glos Mausoleum, which consisted of the same comments and discussion as the previous case. The Committee will issue a report

recommending approval of landmark designation for the Glos Mausoleum which will be placed under Committee Reports on the City Council agenda for August 20, 2007.

Under Other Business the Committee discussed the opportunity for the City of Elmhurst to become a Certified Local Government for historic preservation.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Submitted by John D. Said, Director of Planning, Zoning and Economic Development