

**Historic Preservation Commission**  
**2023 Annual Report to the Community Affairs Committee**  
**November 14, 2023**

**2023 Activities**

- Added panels to the historic property display wall in City Hall for the Zeddie Hyler House, the Blanchard Street Pumping Station, and the Hart Park Complex.
- Resumed the Preservation of Properties Awards. Awarded to GCA for preservation of the Underwood Log Home.
- Sent a letter to all National Register listed and National Register eligible single structure property owners in the City regarding eligibility for historic tax credits.
- Crafted a letter regarding the importance of historic preservation for consideration in the comprehensive plan.

**2024 Goals**

- Continue the Preservation of Properties (PoP) awards.
- Continue design review of designated properties as needed.
- Continue public education.
- Continue to assist with plans for City-owned Schoonmaker Reef parcel.

**Powers and Duties from the Wauwatosa Municipal Code 24.17.010D**

The Historic Preservation Commission has all of the powers and duties expressly identified in the zoning ordinance, including the following:

- recommending designation of historic structures, historic sites and historic districts;
- issuing certificates of appropriateness;
- preparing historic preservation plans;
- working for the continuing education of citizens about the historical heritage of the city and the historic properties designated under the provision of this zoning ordinance;
- cooperating with the State of Wisconsin historic preservation officer and the state historic preservation review board in attempting to include such properties designated as landmarks or landmark sites, or historic districts in the National Register of Historic Places and the State Register of Historic Places;
- receiving and soliciting funds for the purpose of historic preservation, which funds must be placed in a special city account set aside for such purpose; and
- developing specific guidelines for historic structures, historic sites and historic district designations.

**Commission Membership from the Wauwatosa Municipal Code 24.17.010D1**

The historic preservation commission consists of seven members, one of whom must be an alderperson and six of whom must be citizens.

**Current Citizen Commission Members**

Jim Haertel (2023 chairperson), George Beyer, Sharon Eiff, Gene Guzskowski (2023 vice chairperson), Charles Mitchell, Janel Ruzicka

**Aldersperson Liaison**

James Moldenhauer