Hi Ann;

Please confirm receipt of this note. Since we will not be able to attend the January 8th CPP meeting, please enter our questions/input below during the meeting. Thanks!

- 1) Why apply for Historical Neighborhood status? What are the benefits for the property owners if Cherry Ave.-Court Street Historical District is approved? Benefits for the village?
- 2) Does the property assessments go up once the designation is implemented? Higher taxes?
- 3) Will stricter (than current) zoning laws be put on property owners within the designated neighborhoods? If YES, what changes will be made to the current zoning laws? Example: If "historically correct materials" are part of the law, this could have financial implications on property owners wanting to make changes to their property. The material and labor to make changes could be more expensive than current day materials and labor. Materials and labor may be harder to find than current day material and labor. Since we intend to make further changes to our property in 2025/2026 this designation likely could have some negative impacts to us.
- 4) Who is the ultimate approving authority?
- 5) Have members of the committee researched implications for homeowners insurance? This could be: no impact, higher premiums or the carrier not accepting to insure the property with the Historical Designation based on #2 above? For reference, we contacted our Allstate agent. There would not be an impact to the policy through Allstate.
- 6) Will the building permit approval cycle increase dramatically because of a Historical District designation? Typically in the Rochester area, construction permits get more complicated due to more paperwork required to make decisions (construction drawings, bills of material, meetings, etc.). These complications/paperwork drive longer wait times to obtain necessary permits.

Bottomline: If the Historical District designation doesn't benefit the property owner, costs more in taxes or in repairs and/or upgrades to the property, longer wait times for permits, etc. then we would not support moving forward with the proposal to establish the Cherry Ave.- Court Street Historical District.

Thanks for asking for input!

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