

**Minutes  
San Damiano Project Steering Committee  
January 5, 2021**

Mayor O' Connor called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Present: Mayor Mary O' Connor, Andrew Kitslaar, Alder Doug Wood, Wes Mosman Block, Loreen Gage, Kyla Beard, Rebecca Holmquist, Kelly Slack, Marliee Gorman, and Alder Nancy Moore.

Also Present: City Administrator Bryan Gadow, Missy Tracy, and Jon Werner

**APPEARANCES**

None

**MINUTES**

Motion by Alder Wood to approve the November 12<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes, seconded by Rebecca Holmquist. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Presentation on the Ho-Chunk Nation's history with the 4123 Monona Drive property (Missy Tracy and Kyla Beard).

Ms. Missy Tracy, Municipal Relations Coordinator with Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison, provided a presentation on the history of the ancestral Ho-Chunk people in Teejop. She noted the Nation's respect for land and its safe keeping for future generations. Ms. Tracy stated that if the City was considering a renaming of the San Damiano parcel to reach out the representatives of the Nation for suggestions.

Mr. Jon Werner stated that the Ho-Chunk Nation could assist in a variety of ways, including access to revenue sources and grants. He referenced work that the Ho-Chunk Nation did with Dane County and the City of Madison on the AB interchange and the Dane County Sustainability Campus near the Yahara Hills golf course.

Ms. Kyla Beard discussed her thoughts on the historical images and uses that may have occurred on the property from the indigenous people that inhabited the four-lakes area, including a settlement on the property.

Ms. Tracy recommended that the Steering Committee connect with staff at Ho-Chunk Gaming Madison if they had difficulties reaching members of the Ho-Chunk tribal government.

B. Update on Year-End Giving Campaign and Communication.

Andrew Kitslaar provided an update on fundraising with two year-end matches of \$5,000 each, reporting that they raised \$36,000 from the Tuesday giving day to the end of the year. He reported that the Friends of San Damiano received a \$25,000 grant from the Madison Community Foundation to assist with the community visioning and conceptual planning process. He noted that they have raised \$95,000 towards the conceptual planning process. Mr. Kitslaar discussed the Friends of San Damiano producing a monthly e-newsletter to assist with additional communications.

C. Discussion of future agenda items and future meeting dates.

Alder Nancy Moore asked if there could be a discussion item on the use of the terms, such as master plan or conceptual plan, in the Request for Proposal (RFP) document.

City Administrator Gadow stated that a draft of the RFP for the community visioning plan process would be ready for the committee's review at their February meeting. City Administrator Gadow indicated that he would provide committee members with a copy of the building conditions structural evaluation report received from GRAEF, a city contracted professional services firm.

D. Next Meeting Date.

The Steering Committee tentatively agreed on a February 1, 2022 next meeting date, pending responses to a Doodle poll.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Alder Wood, seconded by Rebecca Holmquist to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. (6:05pm).