

Urbana Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

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A. Public Input and Items of Interest:

- Downtown Historic District: Staff did a mobile workshop walking tour of the District on Friday, June 10, 2022, to planners of the Illinois State Section of the APA as part of the APA-ISS Spring Conference

B. Historic Property Activities:

1. Certificates of Appropriateness In Progress or Review

- NEW: HP-2022-L-01: Historic Landmark – Van Doren House.
710 West Oregon Street – Brian Adams on behalf of Denni Hubert
2022-06-07 – Application submitted; will present at March HPC meeting.
- HP-2021-COA-04: Roof Repair. Minor Work.
612 West Green Street – Ricker House.
2022-07-01 – In progress: Approved by Chair Novak and Zoning Administrator Designee Ricci (ZAD).
- HP-2019-COA-01-B, COA-01-C, and HP-2020-EH-01: Exterior Repair. Minor and Major Works.
2 Buena Vista Court – Andrew Fell
2022-07-01 – Update requested from applicant.
- HP-2020-COA-02: Exterior Stucco Repair. Minor Work.
4 Buena Vista Court – Janet Mohr
2022-07-01 – UPDATE: Work completed
- HP-2020-COA-06 – Exterior Stucco Repair. Minor Work.
8 Buena Vista Court – Henry Strehlow
2022-07-01 – UPDATE: Property transferred; need to determine if COA transfers or is terminated.
- HP-2021-COA-01: Access ramp removal, stair sidewall removal, porch repair. Minor works.
8 Buena Vista Court – Henry Strehlow
2022-07-01 – UPDATE: Property transferred; need to determine if COA transfers or is terminated.
- HP-2021-COA-02: Roof repair. Minor work.
210 South Race Street, Hotel Royer – Icon Hospitality, LLC.
2022-07-01 – UPDATE: Some roof repairs completed.
- HP-2021-COA-03: Siding, lighting, accessory structure, wood detail. Major and Minor Works.
210 South Race Street, Hotel Royer – Icon Hospitality, LLC.
2022-07-01 – UPDATE: extensive progress made: stucco skim-coating started, half-timber trim being installed. Interior work continues to all portions of building. Applicant will be submitting amendment to replace the half-timber trim on the 1923 section.

2. Zoning Issues

- 502 and 504 West Elm Street – Sutton House and Freeman House. Owner Jonah Weisskopf installed porch railings to meet insurance requirements. On May 7, Jonah emailed stair and railing designs.

2022-07-01 – UPDATE: ZAD Ricci has reviewed the railing designs with Chair Novak:

- *504 Elm – Freeman House: In order to address safety issues new vinyl porch stair railings matching existing vinyl porch railings are recommended, and would require review and approval as a Major Work. A COA may be required to be issued to meet this safety issue.*
- *502 Elm – Sutton House: New wood stair railings matching existing wood porch features are recommended, and would require review and approval as a Major Work. A COA may be required to be issued to meet this safety issue. New wood porch railings matching existing wood porch features could be considered, and would require review and approval as a Major Work.*