

to: Historic Preservation Commission  
from: Ed Zimmer  
re: Agenda of March 19, 2009  
date: March 13, 2009

**Item 3: Grand Manse/Old Federal Building**

Monte Froelich has requested a discussion and review by the Commission of a system for installing “museum-type banners” at Grand Manse to announce events in a Gallery space inside. I have responded to some preliminary concepts but have not yet seen a definitive proposal to share with the Commission. The preliminary discussion involved the area of the east entrance so I will include a postcard (ca. 1940) showing that facade on the left as this month’s graphic.



**Item 4: See attached description of former Northeast Branch Library/Landmark designation**

**Item 5: Historic Preservation Fund application, FY09/10**

Annually, the Lincoln Preservation Program has received support from the Nebraska State Historical Society. In the current grant period (through May 31, 2009), we are receiving \$21,000 matched by \$14,000 of my time (60/40). Major projects this year include the Boulevards Historic District (now listed on the National Register) and support for dissemination by cable TV of educational and outreach programs. We do not have an formal way of measuring the audience of those programs but anecdotally, I have received an increased number of (favorable) comments about the programs, especially those based on walking tours.

This year, we will request a similar level of support and hope to continue the effective partnering with 5 City TV and the Preservation Association of Lincoln. I also continue to make many live presentations to community groups and I am pricing replacement of some of our equipment (projector and digital camera)

which is at (or beyond) the limit of its useful service. I expect our survey activity this year will include the parts of the large Indian Village neighborhood, which has not been surveyed, and continued research and survey on post-World War II housing, especially associated with designs prepared for Carter Lumber Company.

I will bring a detailed draft application and budget to the Commission meeting. The application deadline is April 1. A resolution from the Commission is a required part of the application.

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