

Historic and Cultural Resources Working Group
Meeting Notes
August 3, 2017

Attendees: Ann LeRoy (MPIC), George Parsons (Hist. Society), JoAnn Robinson (Hist. Comm), Dianne Schaefer (Hist. Comm.), Steve Makowka (Historic Districts), Nat Strosberg, Laura Wiener (Planning)

Nat reported that a Request for Proposals went out in July for a consultant to update the Inventory of Historically and Architecturally Significant Properties. Proposals are due Aug. 18. Much of the work scope was defined by Mass. Historic Commission, which provided \$15,000 of the funding. There will be 135 new records (properties). The project has a \$30,000 total cost, split between Mass. Historic and Arlington Community Preservation funds. The consultant can spend up to \$225 per new record. A list of streets was provided in the RFP but we have some leeway on property locations.

Nat will send RFP responses to Working Group. Review Committee will be Joann, Steve, George, Dianne. Nat will find out from MHC if they want a role in choosing the consultant.

Plan for upcoming work:

Phase 1A—Inventory Update (MHC/CPC funded)

Phase 1B—Correct existing forms (CPC funded)

Phase 2—Identify future properties that are threatened (CPC funded)

Phase 3—Historic Structure Report of Arlington High School

Working Group discussed applying to MHC next year for funding more work. Ideas included the AHS Historic Structures Report, adding to our list of National Heritage Landscapes properties such as Mill Brook Corridor, Robbins Memorial Garden, Cemeteries .

Meeting was adjourned at 6:35. Next meeting will be to discuss consultant proposals.