

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

# MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Laurel Lunt Prussing and Members of the City Council

FROM: William R. Gray, Public Works Director しつ Barbara Stiehl, Assistant to the Director Hルン

DATE: November 21, 2007

**RE:** APPROVAL OF HOUSE MOVING PERMIT

#### **ACTION REQUESTED**

Approval of a moving permit for the Mumford Horse Barn, located south and west of Florida Avenue and Goodwin Avenue (extended). (See attached photo.)

## **BACKGROUND**

The Public Works Department received a house moving application from the University of Illinois to move a structure from the southwest corner of Florida Avenue and Goodwin Avenue (extended) to approximately the southwest corner of Race Street and Windsor Road. Both locations are located on University of Illinois property. The proposed route would move the structure to the east onto Goodwin Avenue and travel south on Goodwin Avenue (extended) to St. Mary's Road where the structure would move east to south Lincoln Avenue. From there the structure would travel south, across Windsor Road, then head east through a University-owned field to its final location. In the spring, a request will be made to move the Mumford House to the same location. The University plans to open a visitor's center at that location that would include the farm house, horse barn and chicken coop.

Most of the move will occur on University property, with the exception of the intersection of Windsor Road and Lincoln Avenue. There are no tree conflicts at that intersection, so the requirement for a certified arborist has been waived. The only conflict with the City is the traffic signal equipment at that intersection. The City and individual utility companies will be present during the move to address any conflicts.

City ordinance requires that all property owners within 250 feet of the proposed location of the structure be notified by mail of the Committee of the Whole meeting. Since the structure will be located within University-owned property, there are no property owners within 250 feet. We sent informational notices to the Urbana Park District, Clark-Lindsey Retirement Village and the Stone Creek Church.

City ordinance requires Council approval, by motion, for all moves of this nature.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Recommend authorization by motion for the Director of Public Works to issue a house moving permit upon satisfactory submission of all required items.

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Mumford Horse Barn (facing south)



Mumford Horse Barn (facing north)



Mumford Horse Barn (facing southwest)



Mumford Horse Barn (facing north—see women's softball field scoreboard north of barn)