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Mt. Gretna Campmeeting Association MGCA Property Preservation & Alteration Policy

Purpose:

To maintain the historic integrity of Campmeeting Association-owned and managed properties and to establish a clear record and process for alterations to those properties.

This policy is meant to be used to oversee Campmeeting Association-owned properties that are publicly used and available to the community.

Policy Detail:

All proposed structural changes, exterior modifications, additions, demolitions, reconstructions, or any alterations to buildings or structures or open spaces such as parks owned by the Mt. Gretna Campmeeting Association shall be subject to prior review and written approval as set forth in this policy.

No such work shall commence without final majority vote approval of the Campmeeting Board of Managers after careful consideration and recommendations of the appropriate committees. Proposals and plans should be well-documented and made available to the Archives Committee for historic record as necessary.

Alteration Review and Approval Process

Except as otherwise provided by this Policy, all applications for structural alterations shall be reviewed accordingly:

- Review and recommendation by the Buildings and Grounds Committee for the affected building or structure or open area; and
- Final review and approval by the Campmeeting Board.
- Recommended plans should be in writing.
- The Buildings and Grounds Committee must consult with committees responsible for property or space.

The designated committee shall evaluate the proposal and provide a written recommendation to the Board prior to final action.

Designated Committees

For purposes of process, designated committees shall include, but are not limited to:

- The Tabernacle Association - Responsible for the Tabernacle and its associated structural components
- The Library Committee - Responsible for the library building
- The Tree Committee – Responsible for some parks and grounds

- Such other building-specific committees as may be established or designated by the Campmeeting Board of Managers

Scope of Review

This policy applies to all work involving buildings or structures and open areas and parks, including but not limited to:

- Structural alterations or repairs affecting load-bearing or exterior integrity
- Changes to exterior architectural features, materials, or design elements
- Additions, expansions, enclosures, or modifications of building form or to open spaces
- Demolition, partial demolition, reconstruction or new addition of any structure
- Replacement of significant exterior components that affect historic appearance
- Lead testing and painting by a certified contractor
- Pavers and materials used in designated walkways and existing structures. Decorative additions to parks and open areas should at least be reviewed by the appropriate committee

Recordkeeping

This policy applies to written records and recordings of proposals, plans, and purchases attendant to the maintenance and alterations of Campmeeting-owned structures and open spaces. To ensure long-term consistency and maintain historic accuracy, records will be kept in the Campmeeting Office for 5 years and then turned over to the Archives Committee for proper storage and availability.

Authority of the Board

The Campmeeting Board of Managers shall retain final authority over all applications governed by this policy. Committee recommendations shall be advisory in nature unless otherwise formally approved by the Board.

The Board may approve, deny, or approve with conditions any application. All decisions of the Board shall be final within the governance structure of the Campmeeting Association.

Compliance

No structural work shall proceed without completion of the review process and majority vote approval by the Campmeeting Board of Managers.

Any unauthorized structural work shall be subject to corrective action as determined by the Board, which may include cessation of work, restoration to prior condition, or other remedial measures necessary to preserve the historic integrity of the structure and/or the open space or park.

Discretionary Power: Executive Committee

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