

# VILLAGE OF LOMBARD HISTORICAL COMMISSION

## --- APPLICATION FOR LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION ---

LANDMARK SITE

LANDMARK DISTRICT

### PROPERTY INFORMATION

Address of Subject Property: Lombard Cemetery 400 S. Main Street

P.I.N. No(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Area of Property (in acres): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Construction: \_\_\_\_\_ Architect: \_\_\_\_\_ Builder: \_\_\_\_\_

### OWNER INFORMATION

Owner(s) of Property: Abandoned (1997 obsiah lombard) Phone No.: none  
title deceased

Mailing Address: none Fax No.: none

City: Lombard State: IL Zip Code: 60148 Email: none

### APPLICANT INFORMATION (IF DIFFERENT FROM PROPERTY OWNER)

Applicant Name: Tom Feters Phone No.: 630-629-3514

Mailing Address: 545 S. Elizabeth St Fax No.: \_\_\_\_\_

City: Lombard State: IL Zip Code: 60148 Email: t.feters1@comcast.net

Relationship of applicant to property: Chairman of Cemetery Restoration Committee

I request that the property for which this application is submitted be considered for recognition as a local landmark based upon the following criteria, as set forth in Section 32.079 of the Village Code (check all that apply):

The character, interest, or value as part of the development, heritage, or cultural characteristics of the village.

The identification with a person or persons who significantly contributed to the cultural, economic, social, or historical development of the village.

The architectural significance of a building which is at least 50 years of age and is a good example of a specific architectural style containing distinctive elements of design, detail, materials, or craftsmanship, or is an example of a style which had an impact on the community. Such a building must retain much of its original architectural integrity.

The archeological importance of a site which has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in pre-history or history.

ALL INFORMATION ON THIS APPLICATION, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, IS TRUE AND CORRECT:

none  
name of owner (printed)

none  
signature of owner

Thomas Thomas Feters  
name of applicant (printed)

[Signature]  
signature of applicant

12-7-2011  
date

# VILLAGE OF LOMBARD

## HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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#### APPLICATION PROCESS

The Historical Commission meets on the third Tuesday of January, April, July, and October. **Applications for local landmarks (including all supporting documentation) must be submitted to the Community Development Department at least three weeks in advance of the meeting date.** After receiving an application, the Commission will make a preliminary conclusion if a site meets one or more of the criteria for designation. If one or more criteria are deemed to be met, the Commission will schedule a public hearing. This public hearing will generally be conducted within three to five weeks following the preliminary conclusion. Following the public hearing, the Historical Commission will then have a follow-up meeting and forward its recommendation to the Village Board. The Village Board has the final authority to approve or disapprove local landmark applications. Due to the four necessary public meetings, the entire process can be expected to take approximately three to five months (depending on when the application is submitted).

#### SAMPLE APPROVAL TIMELINES

Application submitted:	September - December	December - March	March - June	June - September
Historical Commission meeting (for preliminary conclusion):	3rd Tuesday in January	3rd Tuesday in April	3rd Tuesday in July	3rd Tuesday in October
Public hearing:	February	May	August	November
Historical Commission meeting (for recommendation):	February	May	August	November
Village Board consideration:	March	June	September	December

#### SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

The following documentation must be completed and submitted to the Community Development Department a minimum of **three weeks prior** to the initial Historical Commission meeting:

- Completed Application for Local Landmark Designation, signed and including all requested information.
- One copy of a *PLAT OF SURVEY* and *LEGAL DESCRIPTION* for the subject property. South Main St  
Section 7 Twp 39 N R 4 E
- Narrative information explaining the property's historical significance and architectural features, as well as specific details on how the property meets one or more of the following criteria:
  - The character, interest, or value as part of the development, heritage, or cultural characteristics of the village.
  - The identification with a person or persons who significantly contributed to the cultural, economic, social, or historical development of the village.
  - The architectural significance of a building which is at least 50 years of age and is a good example of a specific architectural style containing distinctive elements of design, detail, materials, or craftsmanship, or is an example of a style which had an impact on the community. Such a building must retain much of its original architectural integrity.
  - The archeological importance of a site which has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in pre-history or history.
- Additional documentation, plans, or photographs.

#### AFTER APPROVAL

The Historical Commission will assist the property owner in scheduling the installation of the bronze "Local Landmark" plaque. Prior to undertaking any alterations to a landmark site (regardless of whether or not the alterations require a building permit), the property owner must receive a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Historical Commission. The Certificate of Appropriateness must be requested in writing at least three weeks in advance of the desired Historical Commission meeting date and must be accompanied by a detailed description and/or building plans for the proposed alterations.

## Lombard Cemetery

Established in 1851 to provide for the burial needs of the Village of Babcock's Grove, IL, now known as Lombard, IL, the Lombard Cemetery was laid out on South Main Street between North and South branches of West Washington Boulevard. It legally is in Section 7 Twp 34 North and R 11 E in Lombard, DuPage County, IL.

Despite some authoritative papers, the cemetery is NOT between Washington and Lilac Lane, a small pedestrian walkway more than a block north of the cemetery.

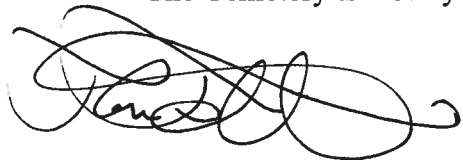
The area had been used by the Mink Family and was donated to Babcock Grove for Village use in 1851. In recent years, the Lombard Cemetery Association had owned the property and decided in 2005 to end their service. A title search showed that the land was owned by Josiah Lombard, long deceased, or by DuPage County, which was denied by the county.

There are many veterans buried there including men who fought in the American Civil War (The War Between the States), the Spanish American War, the First World War, the Second World War, the Korean UN Police Action, and the Vietnamese War.

The Village of Lombard, following the guidelines of the Illinois Comptroller's Office (2006 Edition) declared the Main Street "Lombard Cemetery" to be "abandoned property" and steps were made for a committee guided restoration effort. The committee cleared the old brush, removed rogue trees, improved the main roadway, added three benches, restored the flagpole and provided lighting for night illumination, and reset and restored a number of gravestones to their original positions. In addition, a new fence was installed, signs were posted on the brick columns on Main Street naming the cemetery and the year it was established, and more recently provided an arch over the main entrance with "Lombard Cemetery" spelled out on two sections that move with the two gates to provide entry.

The names and dates of the interned are documented on several documents ranging from 1938 to the present time including a number of prominent people.

The Cemetery is worthy of being recognized as an historic site.



Tom Fetters  
Lombard Cemetery Restoration Committee Chairman

December 7, 2011