

**CITY OF HUDSON, NEW YORK
HISTORIC PRESERVATION
COMMISSION**

**RE: J. W. EDMONDS HOSE COMPANY HOUSE
PARK PLACE**

TAX ID 110.53-2-52

**2005 MAR -9 AM 11:00
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
HUDSON, NEW YORK**

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**WHEREAS, AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 3-A OF LOCAL
LAW # 3 OF 2003, THE COMMISSION MAY
DESIGNATE A PROPERTY AS AN INDIVIDUAL
LANDMARK IF IT:**

- (i) POSSESSES SPECIAL CHARACTER OR HISTORIC
OR AESTHETIC INTEREST OR VALUE AS PART OF
THE CULTURAL, POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, OR SOCIAL
HISTORY OF THE LOCALITY, REGION, STATE OR
NATION; OR**
- (ii) IS IDENTIFIED WITH HISTORIC PERSONAGES; OR**
- (iii) IS THE WORK OF A BUILDER, ARCHITECT, OR
DESIGNER WHOSE WORK HAS SIGNIFICANTLY
INFLUENCED AN AGE.**

**WHEREAS, AN APPLICATION WAS PRESENTED BY PAT FENOFF,
CITY HISTORIAN, ON BEHALF OF THE HISTORIC
PRESERVATION COMMISSION; AND**

**WHEREAS, THE COMMISSION HAS DETERMINED THAT THE
DESIGNATION OF J W EDMONDS HOSE COMPANY HOUSE
IS A TYPE II ACTION, PURSUANT TO
6 NYCRR 617.5(b)(32); AND**

**WHEREAS, THE COMPLETED APPLICATION, WHICH DOCUMENTED
THAT THE PROPOSED PROPERTY MET TWO OF
THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN SECTION 3-A (HIII),
WAS REVIEWED AND ACCEPTED BY A UNANIMOUS
VOTE ON NOVEMBER 14, 2003; AND**

WHEREAS, DUE NOTICE OF THE COMMISSION'S CONSIDERATION OF J W EDMONDS HOSE COMPANY HOUSE FOR INDIVIDUAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION WAS PROVIDED BY A PUBLIC NOTICE POSTED IN THE REGISTER-STAR; AND

WHEREAS, A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE SAID APPLICATION WAS HELD ON DECEMBER 12, 2003; AND

WHEREAS, BASED ON ITS REVIEW OF THE APPLICATION AND ITS SUPPORT MATERIALS AND THE COMMENTS MADE BY THE PUBLIC, THE COMMISSION HAS MADE THE FOLLOWING FINDINGS OF FACTS:

. THE BUILDING WAS CONSTRUCTED TO HOUSE THE J W EDMONDS HOSE COMPANY #1 AND C H EVANS HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY # 3 IN 1868. EVANS MOVED TO AN NEW HOUSE IN 1890 AND PHOENIX HOSE COMPANY #5 WAS HOUSED THERE UNTIL DISBANDED IN 1998. THE HUDSON FIRE POLICE ARE CURRENT HOUSED THERE.

. J W EDMONDS HOSE COMPANY , ORIGINALLY KNOWN AS COMPANY #1, WAS THE FIRST ORGANIZED VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY IN NEW YORK STATE. THE CITY OF HUDSON HAS THE OLDEST CHARTERED VOLUNTEERED FIRE DEPARTMENT IN NEW YORK STATE BEING CHARTERED ON MARCH 19, 1794.

. THE COMPANY WAS NAMED TO HONOR THE DISTINGUISHED JUDGE, JOHN WORTH EDMONDS, THE FIRST ELECTED FIRE CHIEF FOR THE CITY OF HUDSON FIRE DEPARTMENT WHO SERVED FROM 1830- 1836. HE SERVED AS A MEMBER OF THE NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY AND NEW YORK STATE SENATE, WAS A NEW YORK STATE PRISON INSPECTOR, AND BOTH A CIRCUIT AND SUPREME COURT JUDGE. HE PRACTICED LAW IN THE FIRM OF JOSEPH MONELL AND MARTIN VAN BUREN. HE WAS BORN IN HUDSON

ON MARCH 13, 1799 ,DIED IN NEW YORK CITY
ON APRIL 5, 1874 AND IS BURIED IN HUDSON CITY
CEMETERY.

. THE TWO STORY BRICK BUILDING WITH TWO FIRE
ENGINE ENTRANCES WAS DESIGNED BY PETER AVERY.
JAMES VAN BUREN WAS THE CONTRACTOR AND THE
WOOD WORK WAS DONE BY AMEIL FOLGER.
IT IS A FAMILIAR AND PROMINENT COMPONENT OF
7 TH STREET PARK AREA ,ONE OF THE ENSEMBLE
OF FIVE INDIVIDUAL FIREHOUSES WHICH HOUSE
THE HUDSON FIRE DEPARTMENT .

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THE COMMISSION DETERMINED
THAT THE APPLICATION PROVIDED CONCLUSIVE
EVIDENCE THAT J W EDMONDS HOSE COMPANY HOUSE
ON PARK PLACE MEETS THE CRITERIA FOR INDIVIDUAL
LANDMARK DESIGNATION, AND;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, J W EDMONDS HOSE COMPANY
HOUSE IS DULY DESIGNATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 3-A
OF LOCAL LAW#3 OF 2003 BECAUSE IT:

- (i) POSSESSES SPECIAL CHARACTER OR HISTORIC
OR AESTHETIC INTEREST OR VALUE AS PART OF
THE CULTURAL, POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, OR SOCIAL
HISTORY OF THE LOCALITY, REGION, STATE OR
NATION; OR
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RECORD OF VOTE 7-0 DECEMBER 12, 2003

MOTION TO DESIGNATE ASHTON HAWKINS
SECOND MARY HALLENBECK

PAT FENOFF	YES	SARAH STERLING	YES
MARY HALLENBECK	YES	JAMISON TEALE	YES
ASHTON HAWKINS	YES	KEVIN WALKER	YES
LEW KREMER	YES		


JAMISON TEALE, CHAIR
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION