TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MERION

Building & Planning Committee

Issue Briefing

Topic: Historic Resource Inventory Amendment

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I. Action To Be Considered By The Board:

Authorize the Township Secretary to advertise notice of intent to hold a public hearing and adopt an ordinance to amend the Code of the Township of Lower Merion, Chapter A180 Historic Resource Inventory, to add 202 Bala Avenue, Bala Cynwyd to the Historic Resource Inventory as a Class 2 resource.

II. Why This Issue Requires Board Consideration:

Historic Resource Inventory amendments must be reviewed and approved by the Board of Commissioners.

III. Current Policy Or Practice (If Applicable):

N/A

IV. Other Relevant Background Information:

The property owner requested the addition of this property to the Inventory.

At the October 16, 2019 Board of Commissioners meeting, the Board directed staff to prepare the attached ordinance to amend the Code of the Township of Lower Merion, Chapter A180, Zoning, Historic Resource Inventory, to add 202 Bala Avenue to the Historic Resource Inventory as a Class II Resource.

On September 23, 2019, the Historical Commission recommended approval of the addition, citing designation criteria 1, 2, and 4.

V. Impact on Township Finances:

There is no significant impact on Township finances.

VI. Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the advertisement and public hearing for the proposed ordinance be authorized.