United States Department of the Interior Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

## National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in How to Complete National Register Forms Type all entries—complete applicable sections

#### Name ical W Rui Tar 1811 Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co. Passenger Depot historic and/or common Dodge County Historical Museum (preferred) Location 2. 127 South Spring Street street & number not for publication Beaver Dam Second city, town vicinity of congressional district 55 027 Wisconsin Dodge code state county code

## 3. Classification

Category district	Ownership	Status _X_ occupied	Present Use agriculture	_X_ museum
_X_ building(s) structure site	private both Public Acquisition	unoccupied work in progress Accessible	commercial     educational     entertainment	park private residence religious
object	in process being considered	yes: restricted _X_ yes: unrestricted	government industrial	scientific transportation
		no	military	other:

## 4. Owner of Property

name City of Beaver Dam; Robert H. Kachelski, Mayor

street & number 205 South Lincoln Avenue

city, tow	vn Beaver D	am _	vicinity of	state	Wisconsin	53916
5. I	Location of	of Legal D	escription			
courtho	use, registry of deeds	, etc. Dodge Cou	inty Courthouse			
street &	number	127 East	Oak Street			
city, tow	vn	Juneau		state	Wisconsin	53039
6. I	Represent	tation in E	<b>Existing Surveys</b>	5		
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date	1974		federal	Xsta	ate count	y local
deposite	ory for survey records	State Historic	cal Society of Wisconsin			
city, tow	vn	Madison		state	Wisconsin	53706

## 7. Description

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_X_good	ruins
fair	unexposed

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Check one \_\_\_\_\_\_ original site \_\_\_\_\_ moved date

#### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The former Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Depot is located on Center Street near its intersection with Park Avenue in the heart of Beaver Dam. With its loading platform to the rear still paved with the original red pressed brick and the landscaped front lawn, the site retains its turn-of-the-century flavor; the adjacent Richardsonian Romanesque Williams Free Library (NRHP 1974) expands the character of the landmark setting.

The longitudinal plan is elbow-shaped, with a one-story-plus-attic arm to the north and a one-story arm to the southwest; gable and hipped red tile roofs overhang the respective sections. Large gable dormers cover tall recessed arches containing the double-door entrance and paired waiting room windows on the west side. A double belt course spans the red pressed brick walls at the sill line. Contrasting wood trim includes the wide wood eaves and large brackets on the north gable end and dormers, rafter ends on the east and west sides, east side bay window, west side doors, and window frames. Segmental brick arches top the doors and paired windows on the first story of the building and the dormer lights above; wide stone lintels support from below. A stone-capped exterior chimney rises through the roof at the north end of the building, while a shorter interior stack which once vented the basement-level boiler marks the south end. Multi-paned lights fill the upper doors and windows throughout. Exterior alterations include installation of a large wood freight door in the east side of the former waiting room, and the removal (through brick infill) of the east side freight door in the baggage room; the original freight door in the west side of the baggage room remains.

Now used for collection display by the Dodge County Historical Society, the interior of the former depot was originally broken into a general waiting room; ladies' toilet, ticket office, and vestibule; smoking room; mens' toilet and basement stair; and baggage room, from north to south. Plaster surfaces above paneled pine wainscoting in the waiting rooms have been covered with contemporary wood paneling. Original vertical wood wainscoting and brick walls are still visible in the former baggage room. Although accoustical tile and fluorescent lighting now cover the original plaster ceiling, the hardwood (maple) floors are visible throughout. The two decorative foci of the interior are intact: the former ticket office, with its paneled wood cabinets and bay window, serves as the museum office, open to full view from the vestibule; against the far wall to the north, the brick waiting room fireplace is the center of the museum's "portrait gallery." Some four thousand historical artifacts and memorabilia fill the interior, including a 1902 Rambler, the first car delivered to Beaver Dam, in the former baggage room.

## 8. Significance

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Specific dates	1900 <sup>1</sup>	Builder/Architect Fros	st & Granger <sup>2</sup>	

#### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

With its picturesque design and high-quality materials and construction, the former Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Depot in Beaver Dam is significant as a fine example of late Victorian era depot design by master railroad architects Frost & Granger.

Constructed in response to citizen complaints about the pre-existing depot, "built on the 7X9 principle - the size and appearance the same as those built for the stations on the prairies of Minnesota, and Dakota" in which Beaver Dam's patrons were "packed like sardines in a box,"<sup>3</sup> the new red brick depot with its cottage-like aspect was admired as "one of the finest passenger depots"<sup>4</sup> on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul line. The red tile roof, dormers, wide bracketed eaves, and interior waiting room with large fireplace, easy chairs, and settees contributed to the "home-like and comfortable appearance"<sup>5</sup> for which Frost & Granger depots were known.

The August, 1905 issue of the <u>Architectural Record</u> reported that "the firm of Frost and Granger unlike other architects did not 'strut' in treating buildings of a minor order but by contrast their work reflected moderation and was praised for its civilized home-like air and gentility and was even more value socially than architecturally." Cited were stations at Lake Forest, Illinois, Racine, Wisconsin (NRHP 1980) and Montreal, Canada. Also credited with depots at Watertown (NRHP 1979) and Ashland (NRHP 1979), Wisconsin, Charles Sumner Frost (1856-1931) and Alfred Hoyt Granger (1867-1939) were both MIT-trained and established professionally prior to joining in partnership in Chicago in 1898. Before parting in 1910, the firm was to design such landmarks as La Salle Street Station in Chicago, the Chicago & Northwestern Depot in Chicago, the A. F. Holden Home in Cleveland, and the Forbes House in Rockford.

For forty of the fifty years of its active use by the railroad, the Beaver Dam depot welcomed six to eight trains daily.<sup>6</sup> Two years after its sale to the City of Beaver Dam in 1951, the facility was leased to the Dodge County Historical Society for use as a museum. As such, the depot is now approaching its thirtieth year of service to the community as an educational resource.

<sup>1</sup>Beaver Dam Common Council Proceedings; <u>Beaver Dam Citizen</u>, 1900-1901. <sup>2</sup>Blueprints. <sup>3</sup>Beaver Dam Argus, February, 1900.

<sup>4</sup>Dodge County Citizen, January 31, 1901.

Ibid.

Beaver Dam Centennial, Inc. Historical Committee, <u>Souvenir Program and Centennial History</u>, Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, 1941.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Architectural Record, August, 1905. Dodge County Citizen, January 31, 1901.

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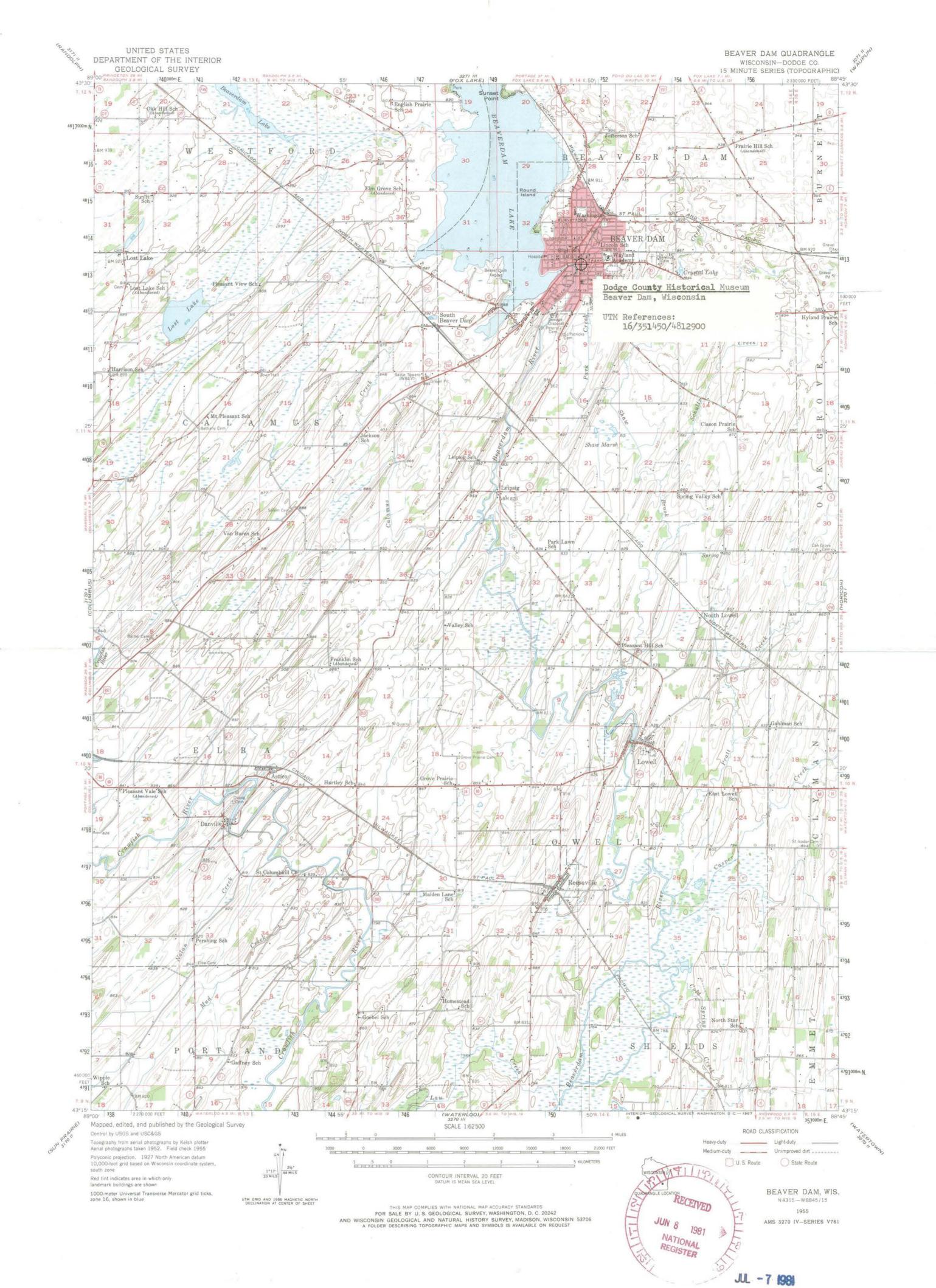
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Research Assistance by:	Margaret L. Macfarlene, Secretary Joanne Wells, Curator Dodge County Historical Society 127 South Spring Street Beaver Dam, Wisconsin 53916 (414) 887-1266	



DODGE COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM, 127 S. Spring Street, Beaver Dam, Dodge County, Wis. Photo by Diane H. Filipowicz, June 1980. Neg. at Wis. Historical Society. View from northwest. Photo #1 of 1.

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# National Register of Historic Places

## Note to the record

Additional Documentation: 2014

#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

#### NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company Passenger De NAME: pot

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: WISCONSIN, Dodge

DATE RECEIVED: 5/24/13 DATE OF PENDING LIST: DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 7/10/13 DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 81000039

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL:NDATAPROBLEM:NLANDSCAPE:NLESSTHAN 50 YEARS:NOTHER:NPDIL:NPERIOD:NPROGRAM UNAPPROVED:NREQUEST:NSAMPLE:NSLRDRAFT:NNATIONAL:N

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ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Additional Documentation Approved

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REVIEWER Cobau Beall	DISCIPLINE History
TELEPHONE	DATE 7-10-13

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.

NPS Form 10-900 (Expires 5/31/2012) Wisconsin Word Processing Format (Approved 1/92)

#### United States Department of Interior National Park Service

### National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900A). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

#### 1. Name of Property

historic name Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company Passenger Depot other names/site number

#### 2. Location

street	& number	127 South Spi	ring St	treet			N/A	not for p	ublication
city or	town	Beaver Dam					N/A	vicinity	
state	Wisconsin	code	WI	county	Dodge	code	027	zip code	53916

#### 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this  $\underline{X}$  nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property  $\underline{X}$  meets \_ does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant \_ nationally \_ statewide  $\underline{X}$  locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title State Historic Preservation Officer - Wisconsin

5/20/13

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property \_ meets \_ does not meet the National Register criteria. (\_ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting official/Title

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company Passenger Depot Name of Property

## 9. Major Bibliographic References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

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National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

Section 1Page 1Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company Passenger DepotBeaver Dam, Dodge County, Wisconsin

When the former depot was listed in 1981, it was listed under its preferred, common name of Dodge County Historical Museum. Since the listing, the museum has moved to a new building. The former depot is currently being restored to serve as the home of the Beaver Dam Chamber of Commerce. The historic name of Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company Passenger Depot more accurately reflects the historic use and significance of the building. National Register of Historic Places Memo to File

# Correspondence

The Correspondence consists of communications from (and possibly to) the nominating authority, notes from the staff of the National Register of Historic Places, and/or other material the National Register of Historic Places received associated with the property.

Correspondence may also include information from other sources, drafts of the nomination, letters of support or objection, memorandums, and ephemera which document the efforts to recognize the property.

#### ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE WISCONSIN JUL - 7 1981 Date Entered

Name

Location

Dodge County Historical Museum

Beaver Dam Dodge County

Milwaukee Fire Department High Pressure Pumping Station

Ward District No. 3 Schoolhouse

Andrews, Sewall, House

Milwaukee Milwaukee County

Eagle vicinity Waukesha County

Mukwonago Waukesha County

Also Notified

Honorable Robert W. Kasten, Jr.

Honorable William Proxmire Honorable Robert W. Kastenmeier Honorable Clement J. Zablocki Honorable F. James Sansenbrenner, Jr. Midwest Region, NPS

State Historic Preservation Officer Mr. Richard A. Erney Director State Historical Society of Wisconsin 816 State Street Madison, Wisconsin 53706

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For further information, please call the National Register at (202)343-6401.

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I. Evaluation of Resource (cont. on back if necessary)

Good Adequate	Comment
	Adequate

Reviewer/Date

See Attached

National Park Service

U.S. Department of the Interior



CITY OF BEAVER DAM

BEAVER DAM, WISCONSIN 53916 Phone 885-5541

March 13, 1980

Municipal Building

ROBERT H. KACHELSKI MAYOR

Dear Committee:

The Dodge County Historical Society is seeking to have the old railroad depot which it occupies placed on the National Register of Historic Places. This depot building is owned by the City of Beaver Dam.

I concur with the effort to place this building on the National Register. Such action would be especially significant since the adjacent city-owned Williams Free Library building is already on the National Register.

Sincerely,

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Bob Kachelski, Mayor







May 20, 2013

Carol Shull Keeper, National Register of Historic Places National Park Service 1201 Eye Street, NW (2280) Washington DC 20005

Dear Ms. Shull:

The **Dodge County Historical Museum** (NRIS # 81000039), located in Beaver Dam, Dodge County, Wisconsin, was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on July 7,1981. We request that the listing name be changed to its historic name: Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company Passenger Depot. The building is no longer used as a museum and the historic name more accurately reflects the historic use and significance of the building.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Daina Penkiunas of my staff at (608) 264-6501 or <u>daina.penkiunas@wisconsinhistory.org</u>.

Sincerely,

Jim Draeger

State Historic Preservation Officer Acting Administrator, Division of Historic Preservation-Public History Wisconsin Historical Society

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