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- Purpose:
- Affordable Housing
  - Historic Preservation
  - Conservation/Open Space
  - Recreation

Lincoln Entry  
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OF LINCOLN, MASSACHUSETTS  
 CITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE  
PROJECT SUBMISSION SHEET

It will be considered for recommendation to the March 2004 Town Meeting.

Submitted by: Paul E. Marsh Submission Date: 23 Dec. 2003

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Project Name: Historic Preservation Committee/Organization (if applicable): Historic District Commission

Brief description of the project:

1. Develop a Historic Preservation Restriction accepted by the Mass Historical Comm.
2. Develop local procedures for preparing such Restriction.
3. Provide a sample Restriction for future applicants.

How does this project help preserve Lincoln's character or further its mission?

No. 1 is a direct act of preservation.  
 Nos. 2+3 put in place resources by which this mission can be carried out without either excessive use of highly specialized professional talents or abuse by mere seekers of tax shelter.

What are your funding requirements? These are all guesses. We have no direct experience with

Fiscal Year	Implementation Costs	Maintenance Costs	Total Costs	Other Funding Sources	CPC Funds Requested
2004	?	~ \$50 (?)	\$7500 (?)	\$2500 (?)	\$5000 (?)
2005		"			
2006		"			
2007		"			
2008		"			
Total		(annual)			

Historic Preservation Restrictions in Lincoln.

Surplus, if any, to be given back

PLEASE ATTACH ANY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS OR OTHER INFORMATION YOU WOULD LIKE US TO CONSIDER..

For CPC Use:

Received on: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

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Determination: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed on: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

HOL supports this

CAN USE FUND THIS

I am afraid... will be... by this project... R.E.M.

## ADDENDUM

Lincoln separated from Concord 250 years ago this April. A few buildings already stood in what became the new town. Some have since been preserved in Minute Man National Historic Park; SPNEA long ago preserved the Codman Estate; currently, the Historic District Commission and RLF are at work on a preservation restriction for the Flint homestead. A handful (a dozen?) contemporaneous structures still stand, mostly unprotected. They are Lincoln's only remaining built patrimony from its earliest settled days. Preservation restrictions are the clear and proven legal and historical choice by which to protect this legacy--a primary mission of the CPC and its parent legislation.

That Commission is Lincoln's unanimous response to the Commonwealth's widespread civic interest in supporting and preserving its natural, historical, and demographic heritage and assets. Restrictions on development harmful to historic structures are the heart and soul of any personal or community preservation ethic.

Feasibility: The structure to be preserved already has met all requirements for acceptance except presentation of an application. The "Old Wheeler House" is already on the National Register in the Lincoln Center Historic District as an anchor house. Its excess land is under a Conservation Restriction. An amendment to its original historical description clarifying its age has been approved by the Lincoln Historic District Commission and sent to the Massachusetts Historical Commission. I have all the official instructions for application and I know what needs to be done. All I need is legal boilerplate and some editing by a lawyer experienced in historical restrictions, professional architectural help to up/<sup>date</sup> the measured drawings I have in hand, and knowledgeable architectural advice about what and how to restrict architectural features for appropriate preservation.

Urgency: I am 81 years old. Without the protection of a historic preservation restriction, executed by me, I cannot guarantee that my successors in the stewardship of this property will uphold its integrity for the benefit of me and of Lincoln.

*Paul E. Marsh*