

July 9, 2025

Hello Greg,

First and foremost, thank you for reaching out to the HHA regarding the historic pavers pulled from Hudson streets, currently stored at the YDC.

With HHA's mission to preserve and enhance the aesthetic appeal, the uniqueness of Hudson, and the historic character of the buildings, streetscape and architecture of the Western Reserve Community of Hudson - - we can not achieve this mission without open communication with our City leaders. Including HHA in consideration of this project does not go without notice. Thank you.

We did reach out to our local reclamation contact but, unfortunately, they do not have the resources to facilitate a project of this scope.

However, they did provide some education regarding "Metropolitan Block" and their historic significance to this area - - as well as contacts of larger companies who specialize in the historic brick market:

- Gavin Historical Bricks, Iowa City, IA (historicalbricks.com)
- EB&S Experienced Brick & Stone, Buffalo, NY (experiencedbricks.com)

It is interesting to note that EB&S has a salvage yard in the Cleveland area.

The HHA would respectfully request that a manageable amount of these pavers remain in Hudson to help us fulfill our mission maintaining the historic nature of Hudson and to provide some Hudson historic material for future projects.

At this point, we have several ideas where some of these pavers could be used, such as Downtown Phase two sidewalk edging, clocktower green sidewalk edging, or as part of a memorial foundation.

It is our recommendation that as the City prepares contracts for the sale of these pavers they include a provision that calls for a certain amount of these pavers to be palletized (on plastic pallets) and stretch-wrapped for future use within the city.

If we can help facilitate this request in any way, please let us know.

Thanks again for including us in your project,

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