

ACTION MINUTES OF THE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION
CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA
Lower Level - Room 41, City Hall/Court House, 15 West Kellogg Boulevard
March 26, 2015

Present: Matt Hill, Barbara Bezat, Renee Hutter Barnes, Bill Lightner, Amy Meller, David Riehle, Steve Trimble, Diane Trout-Oertel, David Wagner

Absent: Richard Dana (excused), Robert Ferguson (excused), Matt Mazanec (excused), Michael Justin (excused)

Staff Present: Amy Spong, Christine Boulware, Allison Suhan, John Beaty

PUBLIC HEARING/DESIGN REVIEW

I. Call to Order - 5:02 pm

II. Approval of the Agenda -

- a. *Commissioner Trout-Oertel moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Hutter Barnes seconded the motion. **Motion passed 8-0.***

III. Conflicts of Interest - There were no conflicts stated.

IV. Public Hearing/Permit Review

- a. **1440 Summit Avenue, Summit Avenue West Heritage Preservation District**, by Mike Killa, Authentic Construction Co., for a building permit to replace the wood roof with asphalt shingles and replace the wood shakes on the dormers with fiber-cement siding. **File #15-018** Laid over from the February 26, 2015 public hearing. (Boulware, 266-6715)

*Commissioner Riehle moved to approved staff recommendations with the inclusion of roof conditions in the staff report. Commissioner Wagner seconded the motion. **Motion passed 8-0.***

- b. **Third Street East Reconstruction, between Maple and Arcade, Dayton's Bluff Heritage Preservation District**, by Barbara Mundahl, City of Saint Paul Public Works - Street Engineering, for permits for new street, curbs, bump-outs, sidewalks, boulevards, street lights, pedestrian ramps, and trees. **File #15-023** (Spong, 266-6714)

*Commissioner Hutter Barnes moves to accept staff recommendations. Commissioner Bezat seconded the motion. **Motion passed 8-0.***

- c. **172 Fourth Street East - TPT, Lowertown Heritage Preservation District**, by JoAnn Hawkins, Twin Cities Public Television, for permits for exterior alterations including: new signage, windows, lighting, and repainting the mural and east wall. **File #15-025** (Spong, 266-6714)

Commissioner Wagner moved to adopt staff recommendations with the following amendments:

- *Condition 1: applicant will work with staff for alternative options for lighting the sign*
- *Condition 2: the painted metal be of a light color and the applicant will work with staff to make a backdrop more transparent*

- *Condition 4: the backdrop color of the mural be of a light tone amenable to the artist and to remove the recommendation for a border around the projection area*
- *Condition 5: allow for glass tone to match existing on the east facade*
- *Remove Condition 6*

*Commissioner Lightner seconded the motion. **Motion passed with 6 in favor, none opposed, and Commissioner Bezat and Commissioner Riehle abstaining.***

The design review committee will be comprised of Commissioner Lightner, Commissioner Hutter Barnes, and Commissioner Wagner.

V. New Business

- A Line Bus Rapid Transit Project Final Report**, by Metro Transit Division of the Metropolitan Council and the Federal Transit Administration, review and comment on the Final Report as a Consulting Party per Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act as amended. The enhanced bus line in St. Paul will be on Snelling from Roseville and Falcon Heights then continues on Ford Parkway over the Ford Bridge to Minneapolis (Spong, 266-6714)

*Commissioner Bezat moved to endorse a letter of the same intent of that stated in the draft. Commissioner Hutter Barnes seconded the motion. **Motion passed 8-0.***

VI. Chair Announcements

City council adopted the bike plan, but unfortunately the HPC resolution was not included. Committees on the bike loop and Grand Round. It would be great to have commissioners on the committees. Commissioner Hill will be on the bike loop committee representing the HPC and CRC.

VII. Staff Announcements

Staff visited the wall at the 535 Dayton lot split discussed at the last meeting. Estimated that the dates are around 1925-1935 based on the mortar hardness and bead style which was out of style by the mid-twentieth century as well as the revival style of the wall.

April 1 at Fort Road Federation presentation on the Pioneer Stone House Nomination. Would be the first non-contiguous preservation district for Saint Paul.

John Beaty's last meeting. Happy hour Friday for his send off.

Summit Hill Association is starting a working group and it would be great to have a commissioner in the working group. Nominations will be due soon.

Ms. Spong has been asked to speak to a group at Macalester on April 21st as a response to the Princeton Ave regarding new development and new construction within our existing neighborhoods.

Another PAM real estate training will be happening in April that Ms. Spong will be a part of.

VIII. Adjourn 7:32pm

Submitted by A. Suhan

