

**ACTION MINUTES OF THE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION**  
CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA  
Lower Level – Room 41, City Hall/Court House, 15 West Kellogg Boulevard  
**November 17, 2011**

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**Present:** Richard Dana, Jennifer Haskamp, Matt Hill, Rich Laffin, John Manning, David Riehle, Steve Trimble, Diane Trout-Oertel, David Wagner

**Absent:** Robert Ferguson (excused), Renee Hutter (excused), Matt Mazanec (excused)

**Staff Present:** Amy Spong, Christine Boulware

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**PUBLIC HEARING**

- I. **Call to Order:** 5:05 pm
- II. **Approval of the Agenda:** Commissioner Dana motioned approval, Commissioner Trout-Oertel seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- III. **Conflicts of Interest:** There were no conflicts stated.
- IV. **Chair's Announcements:** An email was sent to the group asking commissioners to reconnect with their workgroups before the December business meeting. Chair Manning will follow up with Commissioner Wagner, as he has not yet been assigned a workgroup.
- V. **Staff Announcements:** There were no staff announcements.
- VI. **Permit Review/Public Hearings**
  - A. **405-421 Oneida Street, Main Brewery Complex (Brew House), Jacob Schmidt Brewing Company Historic District**, by St. Paul Leased Housing Associates IV, Limited Partnership (Dominium), for a building permit to rehabilitate the building into rental housing. **HPC File #12-008** (Spong, 266-6714)  
Staff read the report recommending conditional approval.  
Owen Metz of Dominium was present to discuss the proposal.  
**Commissioner Riehle motioned to adopt the staff recommendation with the addition of #3 + a,b,c. Commissioner Dana seconded the motion. Commissioner Riehle noted that when the track comes out it will have the have year rolled stamped on the rail. The motion passed 8-0.**
  - B. **876 & 900 W. Seventh Street, Site Design, Jacob Schmidt Brewing Company Historic District**, by St. Paul Leased Housing Associates IV, Limited Partnership (Dominium), for permits for site improvements. **HPC File #12-009** (Spong, 266-6714)  
Staff read the report recommending the HPC lay over their decision in order to clarify the inconsistencies between the plans and the application, complete the design of elements not submitted for review and to make revisions where noted in the findings in order to bring the site improvements into compliance with the Standards and the JSBC Design Review Guidelines.  
Owen Metz of Dominium was present to discuss the proposal.  
**Commissioner Riehle motioned to adopt the staff recommendation. Commissioner Trout-Oertel seconded the motion. Commissioner Wagner stated he would like to see early drawings and that readable copies of the site plan would be needed. The motion passed 8-0.**
- VII. **Old Business**
  - A. **778 Sixth Street East, Dayton's Bluff Historic District**, by St. Paul Siding, Inc, for

a building permit to install vinyl siding and wrap the window trim, fascia and soffit with aluminum. **HPC File #12-005** (Boulware, 266-6715) – **laid over from the October 20 public hearing.**

**Staff updated the commission on discussions and meetings that had taken place since the October 20 public hearing. Staff spoke with the owner on the phone. He stated he will be getting repair bids for the wood siding and painting. Commissioner Dana motioned to deny the application based on the findings and staff recommendation. Commissioner Wagner seconded the motion. Commissioner Trout-Oertel expressed concern about repair of the trim and confirmed that what is still wrapped in aluminum will remain enclosed. The motion passed 7-0.**

#### **VIII. New Business**

**A.** Volume of applications being review by staff is still high. Staff is changing their voicemails to let the callers know that their calls will be returned in the order that they are received. Staff has received complaints. Commissioners believed it is a professional way to deal with the issue.

**B.** Complaint on loss of wrap around porch at 697 Euclid Street. Staff contacted inspectors. There were no permits pulled. Stop work order has not been issued yet. Staff is waiting for a response and has contacted the building official. A complaint had been filed with the city three weeks prior to the complaint HPC staff received. There are obvious protocol issues. There will need to be some cross-training.

#### **IX. Motion to Adjourn: 7:20 pm**

Submitted by: C. Boulware