

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 6, 2014

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

Absent: Michael Justin

Staff Present: Amy Spong, Christine Boulware

PUBLIC HEARING / BUSINESS MEETING

- I. **Call to Order** 5:03
- II. **Approval of the Agenda** - Staff removed approval of the minutes from the agenda and added a rough draft of the resolution concerning STAR grant funding for the Grandview Theater. Commissioner Bezat moved to approve the agenda; Commissioner Trout-Oertel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- III. **Conflicts of Interest** – none
- IV. **Public Hearing/Permit Review**

A. 746 Portland Avenue, Historic Hill Heritage Preservation District, by owner Gary Thomas, for building permit to remove the slate roof and install asphalt shingles. **File #15-007** (Boulware, 266-6715)

*Commissioner Riehle moved to remand the application back to staff with economic considerations and with a friendly amendment to include the input of a design review committee. Commissioner Lightner seconded the motion. **Motion passed 11-0.***

B. 189 Maple Street, Dayton's Bluff Heritage Preservation District, by owner Will Anderson, for a building permit to remove all the siding and trim on the property and install new fiber cement lap siding and trim. **File #15-008** (Boulware, 266-6715)

*Commissioner Trimble moved to approve staff recommendations to conditionally approve the application. Commissioner Bezat seconded the motion. **Motion passed 11-0.***

C. 260 Seventh Street East, Lowertown Heritage Preservation District, by Brooks Construction, for a building permit to construct a concrete block wall, level the grade and install concrete between the two buildings. This work was started without a permit or HPC design review. **File #15-009** (Spong, 266-6614)

*After testimony was heard, staff recommended withdrawal of staff recommendations 1 and 2, and the amendment of condition 3 to say "...new temporary asphalt **or fill** will be installed..." Commissioner Bezat moved to approve staff recommendations to conditionally approve the application. Commissioner Mazanec seconded the motion. Motion passed 11-0.*

V. Discussion

A. 987 Ivy Avenue East, Gillette Hospital West Wing - MN Humanities Center, Individual Heritage Preservation Site, for a resolution to support fundraising efforts to preservation and maintain the structure. (Spong, 266-6714)

Commissioner Hutter Barnes moved to adopt a resolution to support the center and their fundraising efforts. Commissioner Ferguson seconded the motion. Motion passed 11-0.

B. STAR Funding for Highland and Grandview Theaters, for the drafting of a resolution concerning the funding of alterations to the theaters.

Commissioner Bezat made a motion to support staff writing a draft resolution. Commissioner Riehle seconded the motion. Motion passed 11-0.

VI. Chair Announcements

A. One hour per public hearing item is too long, and there ought to be ways to reduce the time.

VII. Staff Announcements

VIII. Adjourn 8:12 pm (Mazanac, Riehle second)

Submitted by J. Beaty