

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

**December 4, 2014**

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**Present:** Richard Dana, Barbara Bezat, Robert Ferguson, Amy Meller, Matt Mazanec, Michael Justin, Diane Trout-Oertel, David Wagner, Steve Trimble, David Riehle, Bill Lightner

**Absent:** Matt Hill (excused), Renee Hutter Barnes (not excused)

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

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**BUSINESS MEETING**

**I. Call to Order 5:02**

**II. Approval of the Agenda** Commissioner Trout-Oertel moved to approve the agenda; Commissioner Bezat seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**III. Conflicts of Interest** – None were stated.

**IV. Public Hearing/Permit Review**

**A. 321 Irvine Avenue, Hill Heritage Preservation District**, by owner Paula Schad, for a building permit to construct a new single family house. **File #15-006** (Spong, 266-6714) **The Public Hearing portion was closed during the October 23, 2014 meeting but the item was laid over by the HPC.**

*Commissioner Riehle moved to remove staff recommendation #1 “The color of the wall stucco shall be a medium to dark gray and the final color shall be submitted to HPC staff for final review and approval.” Commissioner Ferguson seconded the motion. **The amendment was accepted 7-3 (Trimble, Meller, Bezat).***

*Commissioner Wagner proposed an amendment to remove staff recommendation #2 “The south (front) elevation windows on the second and third levels shall be revised to be more consistent with the solid-to-void ratio and proportions as indicated in the Hill District Guidelines” and approved staff recommendations #3, 4, 5, and 6. Commissioner Trout-Oertel seconded the amendment. **Motion passed 9-1 (Trimble) with amendment to conditionally approve with staff recommendations 3, 4, 5, and 6.***

**V. New Business**

**A. 234-238 Bates Avenue, Euclid View Flats – Dayton’s Bluff Heritage Preservation District**, Elizabeth Gales, Hess, Roise and Co., will give a brief presentation of the proposed rehabilitation of the Euclid View Flats. The building was listed on the National Register of Historic Places this year and the owner plans to utilize both Federal and State Historic Tax Credits. (Boulware, 266-6715)

*Commissioners commented on a reduction of metal wrap flashing on the exterior parapet wall and a concern about the basement windows being filled in. HPC supports a more historically authentic porch that allows for the full historic porch to be built in the future.*

**VI. Approval of the action minutes**

*Commissioner moved to approve the meeting minutes with minor correction to add a*

*clear statement of the motion adopted for August 28, September 11, and October 9, 2014. Commissioner seconded the motion. **Motion passed 10-0.***

- A.** August 28, 2014 Business Meeting
- B.** September 11, 2014 Joint Business Meeting/Public Hearing
- C.** October 9, 2014 Business Meeting
- D.** ~~October 23, 2014 Public Hearing~~
- E.** ~~November 6, 2014 Business Meeting~~
- F.** ~~November 20, 2014 Public Hearing~~

**VII. Chair Announcements-** The Chair did not have any announcements.

**VIII. Staff Announcements**

**A.** *Memorial donation to HSP. The donation money in honor of HPC Commissioner Richard Faricy has been submitted with a letter to Historic Saint Paul. \$550 was raised. A letter to Mrs. Faricy still needs to be sent.*

**B.** *541 Dayton Avenue- The owner of the carriage house property appealed the HPC decision, but asked to put it on hold to inquire about tax credits due to alterations to the building in the 1980s. It is a contributing building in the local Hill Historic District. The applicant has the option to move forward with HPC conditional approval or appeal the decision.*

**C.** *According to Historic Saint Paul, 1721 Princeton had its pipes shut off and the pipes burst, but the property owner has paid to have heat turned back on. Negotiations are still in progress.*

**D.** *Forum on teardowns- HPC, SHPO, and Historic Saint Paul will be organizing an education forum on tear downs in the city. Need to strategize what will be covered.*

**IX. Adjourn** 7:28 pm

Submitted by A. Suhan