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 18, 2014

Present: Richard Dana, Barbara Bezat, Robert Ferguson, Renee Hutter Barnes, Matt Mazanec,

Michael Justin, Diane Trout-Oertel, Steve Trimble, David Riehle, Bill Lightner **Absent:** Matt Hill (excused), Amy Meller (excused), David Wagner (excused)

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

BUSINESS MEETING

- I. Call to Order 5:00
- **II. Approval of the Agenda** The agenda was approved unanimously.
- III. Conflicts of Interest None were stated.
- IV. Public Hearing/Permit Review
 - A. 1700 Summit Avenue West, Ramsey Middle School Summit West Heritage Preservation District, by Christopher Rohr, SAC Wireless for AT&T, for a building permit to replace existing and install additional antennas on the chimney and upgrade telecommunication equipment at the site. File #15-013 (Dermody, 266-6617)

Commissioner Hutter Barnes moved to approve staff recommendations to conditionally approve the application. Commissioner Lightner seconded the motion. **Motion passed 9-0**

B. 100 Macalester Street, Macalester College, Old Main – Individual Site, by Nathan Lief, Director of Facilities Services at Macalester College, for a building permit to replace all of the windows in Old Main. **File #15-014** (Spong, 266-6714)

Commissioner Trimble moved to approve staff recommendation to layover the decision. Commissioner Trout-Oertel seconded the motion. **Motion passed 9-0.**

C. 239 Selby Avenue, Cathedral of Saint Paul - Hill Heritage Preservation District, by Carolyn Will, CW Marketing & Communications, for a sign permit for install two, 28 ft. by 10 ft. vinyl banners on the front elevation of the Cathedral for the duration of 2015. File #15-015 (Boulware, 266-6715)

Commissioner Bezat moved to approve staff recommendation to conditionally approve the temporary sign permit. Commissioner Hutter Barnes seconded the motion. **Motion passed 9-0.**

D. 710-740 Seventh Street East, Dayton's Bluff Heritage Preservation District, by Laura Faucher, Preservation Design Works, for permits to construct a new, 114-unit, four-/five- story apartment building with a 32,000 sq. ft. footprint. Parking includes 87 interior stalls and a 34-stall surface parking lot to the south. **File #15-016** (Boulware, 266-6715)

Commissioner Trimble left the meeting, as he publically gave his opinion on the

project prior to the public hearing. Commissioner Riehle moved to accept staff recommendations to conditionally approve the application. Commissioner Hutter-Barnes seconded. Commissioner Lightner added a friendly amendment to re-word the first recommendation so that the only salient features to be reviewed by a design review commission would be the windows and porch central column details. The motion passed 6-2 (Mazanec, Bezat). Commissioners Trout-Oertel, Hutter-Barnes, and Lightner will comprise the design review committee.

V. New Business

A. Establish a Nominating Committee to recommend officers for the 2015 calendar year. The officers will be approved at the Annual Meeting in January 2015.

The Nominating Committee will be Commissioner Trout-Oertel, Commissioner Justin, and Commissioner Mazanec.

VI. Chair Announcements

VII. Staff Announcements

A. Permits were applied for to begin the demolition process (a right of way obstruction permit and sewer permit) for 27 Crocus Place. It is a contributing building to the National Register District but does not have local designation. The proposal is to demolish the house and split the lot in two.

B. Amy Spong, Chair Dana, Carol Carey from Historic Saint Paul, and Mike Koop from SHPO and had their first planning meeting for their education forum on teardowns in Saint Paul. They hope to host it in January.

VIII. Adjourn 8:22 pm

Submitted by A. Suhan