

**ACTION MINUTES OF THE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION
CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA
Online MS Teams Meeting
February 22, 2021**

Present: Paul Nelson, Teresa Kimker, Barbara Bezat, Stuart MacDonald, Joseph Peroutka, Steve George (*joins at 3:35*)

Absent: David Wagner, Robert Lubke, Leetta Douglas

Staff Present: George Gause

Number of Public in Call: 3

I. Call to Order 3:31pm

II. Adoption of the Agenda

*Commissioner Bezat moved to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Nelson seconded the motion. **Motion passed 4-0.***

III. Conflicts of Interest None

Commissioner George joins meeting

IV. Minutes

*Minutes for December 28, 2020 HPC Executive Committee Meeting and February 8, 2021 HPC meeting were reviewed. Commissioner George moved to recommend approval of the minutes. Commissioner Bezat seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0***

V. Public Hearing

A. 300 Ryan New Infill Construction; Irvine Park HD

Proposal to construct new single-family house on vacant lot.

Commissioner Questions to Staff

Does this design meet the context of Irving Park?

What are the plans to build on the next two lots?

There is no chimney on the existing design correct.

Compatibility with the district as a whole is important, but this is a very replicative structure.

Details can be modern style details.

Is color a consideration in our deliberation?

Commissioner Comments

How does this fit into Irving Park?

What is the reaction to Kurt's letter and the four adjustments he proposes?

*Staff replace the meeting agenda with written testimony from Mr. Schwichtenberg's on screen.

The builder needs to make sure the next two lots have compatible designs.

Proportion of the bay window seems tall.

Concerned that the design replicates historic structures.

It needs to reflect surrounding structures and share compatibility with them.

It feels like faux historicism.

*Staff replace the meeting agenda with Irving Park design guidelines on screen.

The overall design is very thoughtful.

Commissioners comment that Kurt Schwichtenberg and Ken Peterson's letters were received and considered in our determinations.

Commissioner George moved to adopt the draft resolution which approves construction of the new single-family residential structure with attached garage at 300 Ryan Avenue as per the findings of fact, presented testimony, submitted documentation and information provided in the staff report. Commissioner Peroutka seconded the motion.

Motion passed 4-1. *(Bezat: design does not incorporate the general massing, rhythm, materials and building elements of historic Irvine Park structures)*

V. Adjourn 4:28pm

The meeting recording is available on the City of Saint Paul YouTube site, under the playlists tab-HPC.

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