

**ACTION MINUTES OF THE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION
CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA
Online MS Teams Meeting
July 26, 2021**

Present: Teresa Kimker, Barbara Bezat, Stuart MacDonald, Paul Nelson, Joseph Peroutka

Absent: Robert Lubke, David Wagner, Leetta Douglas, Steve George

Staff Present: George Gause, Christine Boulware, Allison Suhan Eggers

Number of Public in Call: 10

I. Call to Order 3:32 pm

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

IV. Minutes

Minutes for June 28, 2021 Education & Outreach committee meeting and the July 12, 2021 HPC Meeting were reviewed.

*Commissioner Bezat moved to recommend approval of the minutes. Commissioner Nelson seconded the motion. **Motion passed 4-0.***

V. Business

Certified Local Government (CLG) Comments on Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit Proposed station/platform designs which will be located within historic districts or adjacent to historic sites.

Staff explained that the HPC requested that the proposed shelter/platforms design return for review and comment. Shelter/platforms are proposed to be a metal frame with glass. The shelter/platforms design should have little to no effect on historic resources. Views could be affected; however, the shelter/platforms are primarily transparent.

Commission Comments

There is no reference to the location in which these shelters will be placed.

Can the historic district/site be recognized, perhaps a map of the district or history?

Does the underside of the roof contain mechanical equipment? Yes.

The minimalist architecture is appreciated.

These shelters will not be a distraction to the historic districts or sites.

Public Comments

A resident had a general question about notice letter received.

Commissioner Bezat moved that the HPC concurs with the assessment of no adverse effect with updated conditions for the Gold Line BRT proposed shelter/platform designs and will forward a listing of comments and suggestions expressed during the deliberation and public comment period of the meeting and encourage exploring options recognizing the historic district on the stations/platforms. We delegate City of Saint Paul HP staff the ability to comment on any minor issues that may arise with the project. Commissioner Nelson seconded.

*Commissioner Peroutka offered an amendment to the motion to add the language 'and historic sites' after 'recognizing the historic district'. Commissioner Bezat and Nelson agreed to the amendment. **Motion passed 4-0.***

V. Adjourn 4:42pm

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