CITY OF SAINT PAUL HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

FILE NAME: 282 Sixth Street East

HISTORIC NAMES: Manners-Motz Plumbing Co. Building & Seestedt's Carpets

DATE OF APPLICATION: August 2, 2019 **APPLICANT:** Quentin Collette, New History **OWNER:** Jackie Knight, 282 Lowertown, LLC

PROJECT ARCHITECT: Dan Pollastrini, Pope Architects

DATE OF HPC MEETING: September 23, 2019

PIN: 312922440060

HPC SITE/DISTRICT: Historic Lowertown Heritage Preservation District (1984) - RA-SPC-4580

CATEGORY: Contributing

INVENTORY NUMBER: RA-SPC-5274
PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE: 1867-1929
NRHP: Lowertown Historic District (1983)

NPS PROJECT NO: 33406

CLASSIFICATION: Master Sign Plan

ZONING: B5 **WARD:** 2 **PLANNING DISTRICT:** 17

STAFF INVESTIGATION AND REPORT: Christine Boulware

DATE: September 16, 2019

A. SITE DESCRIPTION

The Manners-Motz Plumbing Co. Building (most recently Seestedt's Carpets), located at 282 Sixth Street East, was constructed in 1889. This three-story, brick Victorian-era building was designed by nationally-known architect Allen H. Stem, and constructed as a commission house. The design of the building is dominated by a series of tall and narrow round-arched window openings which encompass all of the second and third story window openings on the façade. The building also has a corbelled brick cornice. The cast-iron storefront had been replaced with a historically inaccurate storefront, but retained the historic transoms. The brick and limestone exterior is painted. The property is located at the southwest corner of East Sixth and Wall Street, thus the Sixth and Wall Street elevations are primary elevations. This building is categorized as contributing to both the National Register and local Historic Lowertown Heritage Preservation District.

B. PROPOSED CHANGES

1. Sign Band:

- After removal of the non-historic sign band between the storefront and second level
 windows at the north and east facades, it was discovered that the historic metal sign band
 no longer remained. Instead, above the historic transom was an existing metal lintel and
 unpainted common brick. The existing steel lintel and common brick will remain exposed
 and be painted black t match the new storefront below. Revision submitted 9-13-19
- One building sign (#3) and three tenant signs (#2, #5, and #7) are proposed along the
 historic sign band location at the north and east facades to relate to signage in the historic
 photos. Given the limited height of the historic sign band location, building and tenant signs
 will drop about 8 and 3 inches respectively below the top frame of the storefront
 transom (see detail on sheet 1 of Master Sign Plan attached). Each sign will typically consist
 of aluminum raceways mounted to the existing brick and steel lintel behind. Internally lit
 channel letters with acrylic faces will be mounted on the new raceways.

- See attached Master Sign Plan for more details on the location, size, materials, installation, and illumination of the signs.
- In addition, shop drawings for tenant signs #2, #5, and #7 are also attached.
- Following a discussion between the applicant and HPC staff, a revision to the plan was received on September 13th addressing the proposed treatment at the sign band location above the storefront on the north facade and north end of the east facade (i.e. building sign #3 and tenant signs #2, #5, and #7). A new sign band will be provided to conceal the existing metal lintel and common brick, to resemble the sign band in the historic photos. The new sign band will consist of a flat panel made of cellular PVC. The new sign band will be attached through the mortar joints. The new sign band will be painted black to match the new storefront below. New building and tenant signage will be provided at the sign band (as described in the Master Sign Plan, see signs #2, #3, #5, and #7). Revision submitted 9-13-19

2. Projecting Signage:

- Two double-sided blade signs are proposed. One tenant sign (#1) will be installed at the
 northeast building corner, project at 45 degrees, and resemble signage in the historic
 photos. One building sign (#4) will be installed at the north façade above the historic sign
 band location and project at 90 degrees. Blade signs will consist of internally lit, acrylic faces,
 aluminum cabinets connected to the masonry through metal mounting places and rod
 bracing.
- See attached Master Sign Plan for more details on the location, size, materials, installation, and illumination of the signs.
- In addition, shop drawings for tenant sign #1 are also attached.

3. Upper Level Signage:

- One building sign (#6) will be located at the northern end of the second and third levels of
 the east façade to resemble signage on the historic photo. This sign area will not be
 illuminated and will include a painted mural, a painted mural with extruded letters or a box
 sign. If used, extruded letters will be made of aluminum and have an acrylic face. If used, the
 box sign will consist of an aluminum cabinet with an acrylic face.
- See attached Master Sign Plan for more details on the location, size, materials, and installation of the sign.

The signage proposed in this Master Plan will be compatible with the character of the Historic Lowertown Heritage Preservation District, and the Commission House.

- Signage will generally follow historic precedent and be located at historic locations (see historic photographs in attachment).
- Signage will not disfigure or conceal architectural details.
- Signage materials will be compatible with and compliment the materials of the Commission House and adjacent buildings.
- Signage will typically be attached through mortar joints as much as possible without damaging the masonry at the facades.
- Projecting signage will not directly abut the masonry facades.
- Painted signage will involve the use of masonry appropriate, vapor-permeable paint.

C. BACKGROUND

The Master Sign Plan was developed in response to the Saint Paul Heritage Preservation Commission's review of 282 Sixth Street East (file number #18-010) on January 24, 2019. The HPC approved File #18-010 with conditions, including condition 8, "A master sign plan shall be submitted

to the HPC for review and approval of signage at the property, the application shall include final specifications, plans, shop drawings, materials, colors, dimensions, and details."

This Master Sign Plan addresses signage types, locations, size, materials, installation, and illumination.

The overall Commission House rehabilitation project is pursuing state and federal historic tax credits. The Part 2 federal historic tax credit application (for residential use) was submitted to the Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) on May 1, 2017 and conditionally approved by the National Park Service (NPS) on August 9, 2017.

- Amendment 1, which addresses NPS conditions and submits a revised design for residential use, was conditionally approved by NPS on January 31, 2018.
- Amendment 2, which addresses NPS conditions, was conditionally approved on June 28, 2018.
- Amendment 3, which addresses NPS conditions and submits a revised exterior scope of work, was approved on March 4, 2019.
- Amendment 4, which includes some tenant signage (signs #1 and #2 in this Master Sign Plan) was submitted to SHPO on July 26, 2019. Additional tenant signage and general building signage will be submitted as a later Amendment (signs #3-7 in this Master Sign Plan).

During the period of significance for the Lowertown Heritage Preservation District, signage at the Commission House included:

- Storefront, north and east facades: A sign band was located between the first and second building levels. The sign band was installed over the top of the cast iron storefront lintel and projected outward from the building. The bottom of the sign band roughly aligned with the top of the storefront transom windows. The top of the sign band rose to the bottom of the second-floor windows, obscuring their sills. (See historic photos H.02 and H.03, dated 1924).
- Northeast building corner: A projecting sign was located at the third level of the northeast corner of the building (See historic photos H.02 and H.03, dated 1924).
- North façade: A flat wall sign was located at the spandrels between the second and third level windows. (See historic photos H.01, dates 1898).
- East façade: A painted sign was located at the northern end of the second and third levels of the east façade. (See historic photo H.01, dated 1898).

D. STAFF COMMENTS

The proposed signage generally follows historic precedent as demonstrated in historic photographs from 1889 and 1924, within the period of significance for the heritage preservation district. The blade-sign proposed on the north façade (sign #4) does not have historic precedent. Signs #3, #4 & #6 are building signage; sign #4 is proposed above sign #3. It is staff's professional opinion that sign #4 should be removed from the plan or be revised/relocated to the west elevation so as not to clutter the Sixth Street façade.

Sign #6 is proposed to be either a box sign or extruded letters with a painted mural to compliment. Sign #6 is proposed on the east elevation in a location where a historic painted wall sign was located. A box sign or extruded letter signage does not follow historic precedent for signage at this location.

E. STANDARDS & GUIDELINES Lowertown Heritage Preservation District Design Guidelines - Legislative Code Sec. 74-112

Standards & Guidelines	Meets	Staff Comments		
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SOI 2. The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.	Yes	The proposed sign plan retains the historic character of the building and will not result in the removal of historic materials and/or features of the property.		
sol 3. Each property shall be recognized as a physical record of its time, place, and use. Changes that create a false sense of historical development, such as adding conjectural features or architectural elements from other buildings, shall not be undertaken.	Yes/ <mark>No</mark>	The proposed master sign plan does not create a false sent of place or historic development. The sign placement shown in the plan is based on signage shown in historic photographs taken during the period of significance with the exception of building sign #4, a blade-sign projecting from the middle of the Sixth Street (north) façade.		
Sec. 74-112.II.a. General Principle. All work should be of a character and quality that maintain the distinguishing features of the building and the environment. The removal of architectural features is not permitted.	Yes	The proposed sign plan retains the historic character of the building and will not result in the removal of historic materials and/or features of the property.		
Sec. 74-112.II.b. General Principle. Deteriorated architectural features such as cornices, chimneys and roof treatment, window and door openings, and exterior surface treatment should be repaired rather than replaced whenever possible. In the event of replacement, new materials should match the original in composition, design, color, texture and appearance. Duplication of the original design based on physical or pictorial evidence is preferable to using conjectural or "period" designs or using part of other buildings.	Yes/ <mark>No/Maybe</mark>	Historic signage is not extant. Proposed sign locations are generally based on historic, pictorial evidence. Signage materials like aluminum, vinyl and acrylic as well as internal illumination do not match the original in composition, design, color, and texture, or appearance. The historic sign band above the storefront is not extant, but the applicant has indicated the intention to reconstruct the feature as a flat panel, made of cellular PVC and painted back to match the storefronts.		
Sec. 74-112.II.A.c. Masonry and walls. Repointing: Repointing should only be done on those mortar joints where there is evidence of moisture problems or when sufficient mortar is missing to allow water to stand on the mortar joint. Using pneumatic hammers to move mortar can	Yes	Signage is proposed to be attached to the building through mortar joints as much as possible. Historically, a painted wall sign was located on the east elevation. If a new painted wall sign is proposed, it should be of a vapor permeable paint. The reconstruction of		

seriously damage the adjacent brick. Vertical joints should be hand chiseled. When repointing, it is important to use the same materials as the existing mortar. This includes matching the color, texture, coefficients of expansion and contraction, and ingredient ratio of the original mortar mix, creating a bond similar to the original. A professional mortar analysis can give this information. Repointing with Portland cement mortar may create a bond stronger than is appropriate for the building materials, possibly resulting in cracking or other damage. Old mortar should be duplicated in joint size, method of applications and joint profile.		the sign band should only be within the location of the historic sign band and only conceal the unpainted commonbrick and metal lintel. If any repointing or brick replacement is necessary, a scope-of-work and masonry/mortar specifications will need to be submitted to HPC staff for review and approval.
Sec. 74-112.III. Signs and accessories. Signs should be compatible with the character of the District, and blend with the character of the structures on or near which they are placed. Signs should not conceal architectural detail, clutter or detract from the intended facade; but rather complement the overall design of the building and the period in which it was built.	Yes/ <mark>No</mark>	The proposed master sign plan generally compliments the historic character of the building and district. The sign placement shown in the plan is based on signage shown in historic photographs taken during the period of significance with the exception of building sign #4, a blade-sign projecting from the middle of the Sixth Street (north) façade. Sign #4 is proposed above sign #3 on the façade and both are proposed to be building name/identification signage. It is staff's opinion that this configuration will clutter and detract from the façade.
		Sign number #6 is proposed to be either a box sign or extruded letters with a painted mural to compliment. Sign number #6 is proposed on the east elevation in a location where a historic painted wall sign was located. A box sign or extruded letter signage does not follow historic precedent for signage at this location. A painted wall sign would be appropriate for the location.
Sec. 74-112.III.D. Lighting. Location of exterior lights should be appropriate to the structure. Signs should generally be lit from on the site. There should be no	Maybe	The six, channel mount and blade signs proposed in the plan include internal (back-lit) illumination. The guidelines state that signs should generally be lit

flashing, blinking, moving, or varying	from the site which staff interprets as
intensity lighting. Subdued lighting is	external illumination. The HPC has
preferred. Backlit fluorescent or exposed	approved the installation of some
neon are generally inappropriate.	internally illuminated channel mount
	signs and some internally illuminated
	blade signs with cut out logos/lettering
	where the lighting was subdued and
	there was no flashing, blinking, moving
	or varying intensity of lighting.

F. FINDINGS

- 1. On March 22, 1984, the Historic Lowertown Heritage Preservation District was established under Ordinance No. 17120, § 2. The Heritage Preservation Commission shall protect the architectural character of heritage preservation sites through review and approval or denial of applications for city permits for exterior work within designated heritage preservation sites §73.04.(4).
- 2. The property at 282 Sixth Street East is categorized as contributing to the character of the Lowertown Heritage Preservation District.
- **3.** *Sec.* **74-112.II.a.** *General Principle.* The proposed sign plan retains the historic character of the building and will not result in the removal of historic materials and/or features of the property.
- 4. Sec. 74-112.II.b. General Principle. Historic signage is not extant. Proposed sign locations are generally based on historic, pictorial evidence. This complies with the guideline. Signage materials like aluminum, vinyl and acrylic as well as internal illumination do not match the original in composition, design, color, and texture, or appearance. This does not comply with the guideline. If the metal of the signs and bracket has a dark or painted finish, it may comply with the guideline. The historic sign band above the storefront is not extant, but the applicant has indicated the intention to reconstruct the feature as a flat panel, made of cellular PVC and painted back to match the storefronts. This may comply with the guideline so long as the new sign band is the same size as the historic band, has similar profiles as is evident in photographs of the historic sign band, and the proposed signage is contained within the sign band and does not exceed the boundaries of the band.
- 5. Sec. 74-112.II.A.c. Masonry and walls. Signage is proposed to be attached to the building through mortar joints as much as possible. This complies with the guideline. Historically, a painted wall sign was located on the east elevation. If a new painted wall sign is proposed, it should be of a vapor permeable paint. The reconstruction of the sign band should only be within the location of the historic sign band and only conceal the unpainted common-brick and metal lintel. If any repointing or brick replacement is necessary, a scope-of-work and masonry/mortar specifications will need to be submitted to HPC staff for review and approval.
- 6. Sec. 74-112.III. Signs and accessories. The proposed master sign plan generally compliments the historic character of the building and district. The sign placement shown in the plan is based on signage shown in historic photographs taken during the period of significance with the exception of building sign #4, a large blade-sign projecting from the middle of the Sixth Street (north) façade. Sign #4 is proposed above sign #3 on the façade and both are proposed to be building name/identification signage. It is staff's opinion that this configuration will clutter and detract from the façade. Sign #4 four does not comply with the guideline and should be removed or relocated on the building. Sign number #6 is proposed to be either a box sign or extruded letters with a painted mural to compliment. Sign number #6 is proposed on the east

- elevation in a location where a historic painted wall sign was located. A box sign or extruded letter signage does not follow historic precedent for signage at this location. A painted wall sign on the east elevation would comply with the guideline.
- 7. Sec. 74-112.III.D. Lighting. The six, channel mount and blade signs proposed in the plan include internal (back-lit) illumination. The guidelines state that signs should generally be lit from the site which staff interprets as external illumination. The HPC has approved, on a case-by-case basis, the installation of some internally illuminated channel mount signs and some internally illuminated blade signs with cut out logos/lettering where the lighting was subdued and there was no flashing, blinking, moving or varying intensity of lighting. The illumination of the signs may comply with the guideline so long as the lighting is consistent in intensity and subdued.
- **8.** The proposed master sign plan for 282 Sixth Street East will not adversely affect the Program for Preservation and the architectural control of the Historic Lowertown Heritage Preservation District (Leg. Code §73.06 (e)) so long as the conditions are met.

G. STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the findings, staff recommends approval of the master sign plan for the Commission House at 282 Sixth Street East with the following conditions:

- **1.** All exterior metals shall have a dark or painted finish.
- 2. Attachments to the building shall be through mortar joints as much as possible.
- **3.** The blade sign on the north façade, sign #4, shall be removed from the plan or relocated as a painted wall sign to the west elevation.
- **4.** The signage in the storefront sign band shall not extend above nor below the sign band.
- 5. Individual tenant and building signs will need to be reviewed and approved by HPC staff.
- **6.** The HPC stamped approved plans shall remain on site for the duration of the project. If an updated set of plans is submitted for City permits, HPC staff shall receive a full set for final review to determine compliance with the HPC decision and conditions.
- **7.** Any revisions to approved plans shall be re-reviewed and approved by the HPC staff. If revisions are significant, new plans may need to be drafted and submitted for final review and approval.
- **8.** Items not listed in project scope have not been reviewed. Any changes or additions require further review.
- **9.** This approval is VOID if the approved plans are altered from the Heritage Preservation approved plans.
- **10.** All measurements and relationships of existing conditions and new construction shall be field checked for accuracy with submitted plans at the responsibility of the applicant. Inaccuracies or differences should be reported to HPC staff prior to commencement.
- **11.** Work shall be accomplished in accordance with all applicable zoning regulations and building codes, and/or Board of Zoning Appeals decisions. This authorization does not constitute or recommend a hardship for purposes of zoning review.
- **12.** Further permits and approvals may be required. This approval signifies review and issuance based on Heritage Preservation regulations and guidelines. No other city, state, or federal review and approval should be assumed or implied by this approval.

H. SUGGESTION MOTION

I move to conditionally approve the master sign plan for the Commission House at 282 Sixth Street East as per the findings of fact, presented testimony, submitted documentation and information provided in the staff report with the twelve conditions.

MOTION CHANGE

If the HPC decides to change the motion, then findings 4, 5, 6,7, and 8 and condition 1-4 will need to be revised.

I. ATTACHMENTS

- 1. HPC Design Review Application
- **2.** Documentation submitted by applicant
 - a. 11x17 Plans
 - b. Historic photographs
 - c. Existing condition photographs
 - d. Sign Band revision email (9-13-19)

NEW HISTORY

TRANSMITTAL

Date:

August 27, 2019

To:

Saint Paul Heritage Preservation Commission

Department of Planning and Economic Development

25 Fourth Street West, Suite 1400

St. Paul, MN 55102

Attn:

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Project Name:

Commission House [Seestedt Carpets Building]

282 East 6th Street

Saint Paul, MN 55101-1922

NPS Proj. No:

33406

New History Proj. No.:

2016-N03-332

Via:

Hand-delivered

Contents:

Heritage Preservation Commission Design Review Application for Master Sign

Plan:

One copy of the Signed Application Form

 One copy of the continuation sheet with a description of the Master Sign Plan

 Three copies of the Master Sign Plan, including exterior elevations, photos, and renderings

· Three copies of the tenant signage shop drawings

One copy of exterior and historic photos

Comments:

This submittal includes materials for the Master Sign Plan (exterior building and

tenant signage). Please contact me with any questions. Thank you.





Saint Paul Heritage Preservation Commission Department of Planning and Economic Development 25 Fourth Street West, Suite 1400 Saint Paul, MN 55102 Phone: (651) 266-9078 ApplyHPC@stpaul.gov

Heritage Preservation Commission Design Review Application

PROCESS

This application must be completed in addition to required city permit applications for individually designated Heritage Preservation Sites and properties located within Heritage Preservation Districts.

Design review applications are reviewed and approved by either heritage preservation staff or the Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) at a public hearing. HPC staff are authorized to approve work that complies with adopted design review guidelines and preservation programs, available at our website www.stpaul.gov/hpc, while the HPC reviews projects that are significant alterations, demolitions, additions, new construction or proposals that do not comply with HPC guidelines. The decision of whether a proposal may be reviewed and approved by HPC staff or must be reviewed by the HPC at a public hearing is made once a complete application is submitted.

The HPC public hearing schedule is viewable here:

https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/planning-economic-development/heritage-preservation/heritage-preservation-commission

A complete application consists of:

- 1) An application form
- 2) Required attachments that adequately describe the proposed work (see attached checklist)

An incomplete application will be put on hold and staff will contact you for additional information. If an application is incomplete for 30 days after it was received, it will be returned to the applicant.

Complete applications will be reviewed in the order they are received. Applications are not entered in queue to be reviewed until staff has determined them to be complete. Once reviewed, a Certificate of Approval will be issued along with any conditions for the proposed work. You will be notified by staff when the Certificate of Approval has been issued and a copy will be sent to the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) to complete the HPC process of obtaining the necessary permit(s).

1. CATEGORY		
Please check the category	that best describes the propose	ed work
□ Repair/Rehabilitation□ Moving□ Demolition	■ Sign/Awning □ Fence/Retaining Wall □ Other	☐ New Construction/Addition/ Alteration☐ Pre-Application Review Only
2. PROJECT ADDRESS		
Street and number: 282 E	ast 6th Street	Zip Code: 55101

Name of contact person: Quer		
Company: New History		
Street and number: 575 SE 9	th Street, Suite	215
City: Minneapolis Phone number: (612) 843-4	140 a mail: col	llette@newhistory.com
4. PROPERTY OWNER(S) II		
Name: Jackie Knight (2	282 Lowertown	n, LLC)
Street and number: 3033 Ex		
City: Minneapolis	State: MN	Zip Code: 55416-5147
Phone number: (612) 924-	6487 _{e-mail:} jac	Zip Code: 55416-5147 ckie@ackerberg.com
5. PROJECT ARCHITECT (If applicable)	
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Company: Pope Architect	S	
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f affected existing exterior fe loors, siding, railings, steps, tri	ior changes being pro atures and changes m, roof, foundation o	posed for the property. Include descripti to architectural details such as window r porches. Attach specifications for doo cluding color and material samples.
See attached continuation s	heet for a descripti	on of the Master Sign Plan.
		Attach additional sheets if necessary



7. ATTACHMENTS & DESIGN REVIEW CHECKLIST

Please refer to the following checklist section(s) that relate to your proposed scope of work and check next to the items that are attached to your application. Attach all checked items listed to this application or attach in an email to <a href="https://www.application.com/apply-new-application-new-a

Staff may contact you for additional information or materials.

If your project or work type is not included in this checklist, please contact the staff by calling 651-266-9078 or sending an e-mail to applyhpc@stpaul.gov for assistance on how to complete an application.

Applicant Submitted	Staff Received	<u>Date</u> <u>Received</u>	
			Restoration /Repair/Rehabilitation
			Three (3) copies of scaled and dimensioned plans which note all materials, finishes, and dimensions on plan (2 copies will be forwarded to the Dept. of Safety and Inspections).
			Photographs of all features and areas affected by proposed work.
			If an existing architectural feature is being replaced, please provide detailed drawings of the existing feature.
			Historic photographs (if any) that inform the restoration/rehabilitation/repair work.
			Sign/Awning:
\checkmark			Photographs of location of proposed signage on structure/property.
			Photographs of structure and all exterior sides affected by proposed work.
✓			Three (3) copies of plans that note materials, dimensions, colors, and method of attachment.
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			Illumination plan.
$\overline{\checkmark}$			Photographs or elevation of the building showing location of proposed sign in relation to the building and, if applicable, other signage on the building.
			New Construction/Addition/Exterior Alteration:
			Three (3) copies of construction level plans which note all materials, finishes, and dimensions on plan (2 copies will be forwarded to the Dept. of Safety and Inspections). Show how the addition(s) relates to the existing structure.
			Photographs of all features and areas affected by proposed work.
			Site plan showing lot dimensions, location of any existing buildings, and proposed addition(s), elevation plans, section and detail drawings as necessary. All plans must be scaled and dimensioned.
			Digital copies of the plans and photos submitted on CD or USB.



Applicant Submitted	<u>Staff</u> <u>Received</u>	<u>Date</u> <u>Received</u>	
			Fencing/Retaining Wall:
			A site plan showing the location of the fence/wall in relation to property lines and any structures with measurements.
			An elevation drawing or photo of the proposed fence/wall.
			Roofing:
			Sample or description of existing material(s).
			Sample or specifications of proposed material(s).
			Sample colors.
			Photographs of all exterior sides affected by the proposed work.
			Photographs of the building and roof showing existing conditions of roof, coping, flashing, affected masonry, parapet, siding, existing skylights, and/or dormers. Also include any other critical intersections where the roof meets the historic fabric, and sightline drawings when a change in slope or other potentially visible change is proposed.
			Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning Equipment
			Site plan showing location of condenser in relation to the building(s) and property lines.
			Photographs of the proposed location of any condensers or venting.
			Photographs demonstrating that the proposed unit is not visible from the street.
			A screening plan if a condenser is in the side yard.
			Drawing or photograph demonstrating where and how conduit will be attached to the building.
			Window/Sash Replacement:
			Statement describing in detail why windows need replacement as well as a description of weatherization efforts and copy of window repair estimates.
			Existing window design and dimensions.
			Proposed window design, dimensions, and manufacturer's specifications including shop drawings.
			Existing type of exterior storm windows.
			Proposed style of exterior storm windows.
			Existing exterior window trim material.
			Proposed exterior window trim material and style.
			Photographs of all exterior sides where window replacement is being proposed.
			Photographs of existing features/conditions which support window replacement proposal.



Applicant Submitted	Staff Received	<u>Date</u> <u>Received</u>	
			Other Items Requested by HPC Staff:
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Send completed application with the necessary attachments to ApplyHPC@stpaul.gov or to:

Saint Paul Heritage Preservation Commission
Department of Planning and Economic Development
25 Fourth Street West, Suite 1400
Saint Paul, MN 55102

You may also click the button below to attach the completed application to an email that will go directly to ApplyHPC@stpaul.gov . Please attach supporting documents to the email as well.

Submit Application



FOR HPC OF	FFICE USE ONLY
Address: 282 East 6th Street	FILE NO.
Date received:	
Date complete:	City Permit #
District:/Individual Site:	
Pivotal/Contributing/Non-contributing/New O	Construction/Parcel
□ Requires staff review	☐ Requires Commission review
Supporting data: YES NO Complete application: YES NO The following condition(s) must be met in order for application to conform to preservation program:	Submitted: 3 Sets of Plans 15 Sets of Plans reduced to 8 ½" by 11" or 11" by 17" Photographs CD of Plans (pdf) & Photos (jpg) City Permit Application Complete HPC Design Review application Hearing Date set for: HPC Staff Notes
It has been determined that the work to be performed pursuant to the application does not adversely affect the program for preservation and architectural control of the heritage preservation district or site (Ch.73.06).	
HPC staff approval	
Date	



Commission House [Seestedt Carpets Building] 282 East 6th Street Lowertown Historic District

Design Review Application: Master Sign Plan (08/27/19)

A Master Sign Plan including exterior building and tenant signage is proposed at the Commission House [Seestedt Carpets Building]. The following Master Sign Plan was developed in response to the Saint Paul Heritage Preservation Commission's review of 282 Sixth Street East (file number #18-010) on January 24, 2019. The Saint Paul Heritage Preservation Commission approved File #18-010 with conditions, including condition 8, "A master sign plan shall be submitted to the HPC for review and approval of signage at the property, the application shall include final specifications, plans, shop drawings, materials, colors, dimensions, and details."

This Master Sign Plan addresses signage types, locations, size, materials, installation, and illumination.

The overall Commission House rehabilitation project is pursuing state and federal historic tax credits. The Part 2 federal historic tax credit application (for residential use) was submitted to the Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) on May 1, 2017 and conditionally approved by the National Park Service (NPS) on August 9, 2017. Amendment 1, which both addresses NPS conditions and submits a revised design for residential use, was conditionally approved by NPS on January 31, 2018. Amendment 2, which addresses NPS conditions, was conditionally approved on June 28, 2018. Amendment 3, which both addresses NPS conditions and submits a revised exterior scope of work, was approved on March 4, 2019. Amendment 4, which includes some tenant signage (signs #1 and #2 in this Master Sign Plan) was submitted to SHPO on July 26, 2019. Additional tenant signage and general building signage will be submitted as a later Amendment (signs #3-7 in this Master Sign Plan).

During the period of significance for the Lowertown Historic Preservation District, signage at the Commission House included:

- Storefront, north and east façades: A sign band was located between the first and second building levels. The sign band was installed over the top of the cast iron storefront lintel and projected outward from the building. The bottom of the sign band roughly aligned with the top of the storefront transom windows. The top of the sign band rose to the bottom of the second floor windows, obscuring their sills. (See historic photos H.02 and H.03, dated 1924).
- Northeast building corner: A projecting sign was located at the third level of the northeast corner of the building. (See historic photos H.02 and H.03, dated 1924).
- North façade: A flat wall sign was located at the spandrels between the second and third level windows. (See historic photo H.01, dated 1898).
- East Façade: A painted sign was located at the northern end of the second and third levels of the east façade. (See historic photo H.01, dated 1898).

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282 East 6th Street
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The exterior signage proposed in this Master Sign Plan will be compatible with the character of the Historic Lowertown Heritage Preservation District, and the Commission House.

- Signage will generally follow historic precedent and be located at historic locations (see historic photographs in attachment).
- Signage will not disfigure or conceal architectural details.
- Signage materials will be compatible with and complement the materials of the Commission House and adjacent buildings.
- Signage will be typically attached through mortar joints as much as possible without damaging the masonry at the façades.
- Projecting signage will not directly abut the masonry façades.
- Painted signage will involve the use of masonry appropriate, vapor-permeable paint.

Specifically, signage proposed in this Master Sign Plan includes:

1. Sign Band:

- After removal of the non-historic sign band between the storefront and second level
 windows at the north and east façades, it was discovered that the historic metal sign band
 no longer remained. Instead, above the historic transom was an existing metal lintel and
 unpainted common brick. The existing steel lintel and common brick will remain exposed
 and be painted black to match the new storefront below.
- One building sign (#3) and three tenant signs (#2, #5, and #7) are proposed along the historic sign band location at the north and east façades to resemble signage in the historic photos. Given the limited height of the historic sign band location, building and tenant signs will drop about 8 and 3 inches respectively below the top frame of the storefront transom (see detail on sheet 1 of Master Sign Plan attached). Each sign will typically consist of aluminum raceways mounted to the existing brick and steel lintel behind. Internally lit channel letters with acrylic faces will be mounted on the new raceways.
- See attached Master Sign Plan for more details on the location, size, materials, installation, and illumination of the signs.
- In addition, shop drawings for tenant signs #2, #5, and #7 are also attached.

2. Projecting Signage:

- Two double-sided blade signs are proposed. One tenant sign (#1) will be installed at the northeast building corner, project at 45 degrees, and resemble signage in the historic photos. One building sign (#4) will be installed at the north façade above the historic sign band location and project at 90 degrees. Blade signs will consist of internally lit, acrylic faces, aluminum cabinets connected to the masonry through metal mounting plates and rod bracing.
- See attached Master Sign Plan for more details on the location, size, materials, installation, and illumination of the signs.
- In addition, shop drawings for tenant sign #1 are also attached.

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3. Upper Level Signage:

- One building sign (#6) will be located at the at the northern end of the second and third levels of the east façade to resemble signage on the historic photo. This sign area will not be illuminated and will include a painted mural, a painted mural with extruded letters, or a box sign. If used, extruded letters will be made of aluminum and have an acrylic face. If used, the box sign will consist of an aluminum cabinet with an acrylic face.
- See attached Master Sign Plan for more details on the location, size, materials, and installation of the sign.

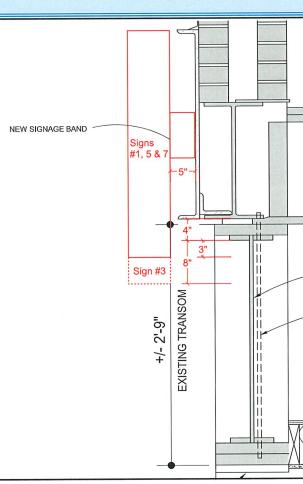
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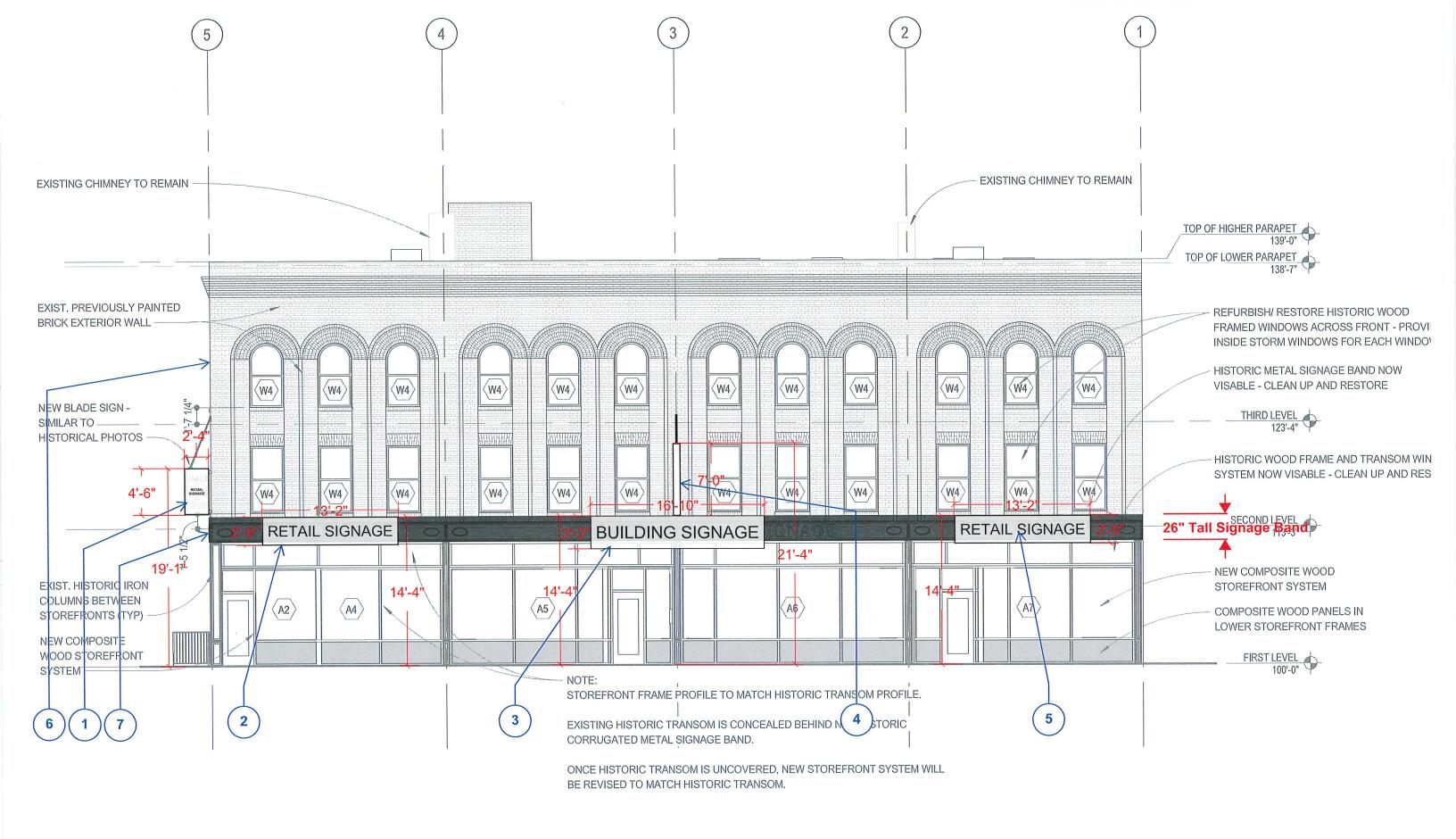
MASTER BUILDING SIGANGE LEGEND

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1	North	Tenant/Retail		28	54	10.5	19'1"	Internally Lit	Chuck & Don's
2	North	Tenant/Retail	Channel Mount	158	33	36.2	14'4"	Internally Lit	Chuck & Don's
3	North	Building	Channel Mount	202	38	53.3	14'4"	Internally Lit	Commission House
4	North	Building	Blade	42	84	24.5	21'4"	Internally Lit	Commission House
5	North	Tenant/Retail	Channel Mount	158	33	36.2	14'4"	Internally Lit	Wellhaven Pet Health
6	East	Building	See Notes	150	168	175.0	33'0"	None	This area could be a box sign. Or, extruded letters, with a painted mural to compliment. Mural may include some amount of tenant branding.
7	East	Tenant/Retail	Channel Mount	102	33	23.4	14'4"	Internally Lit	Chuck & Don's
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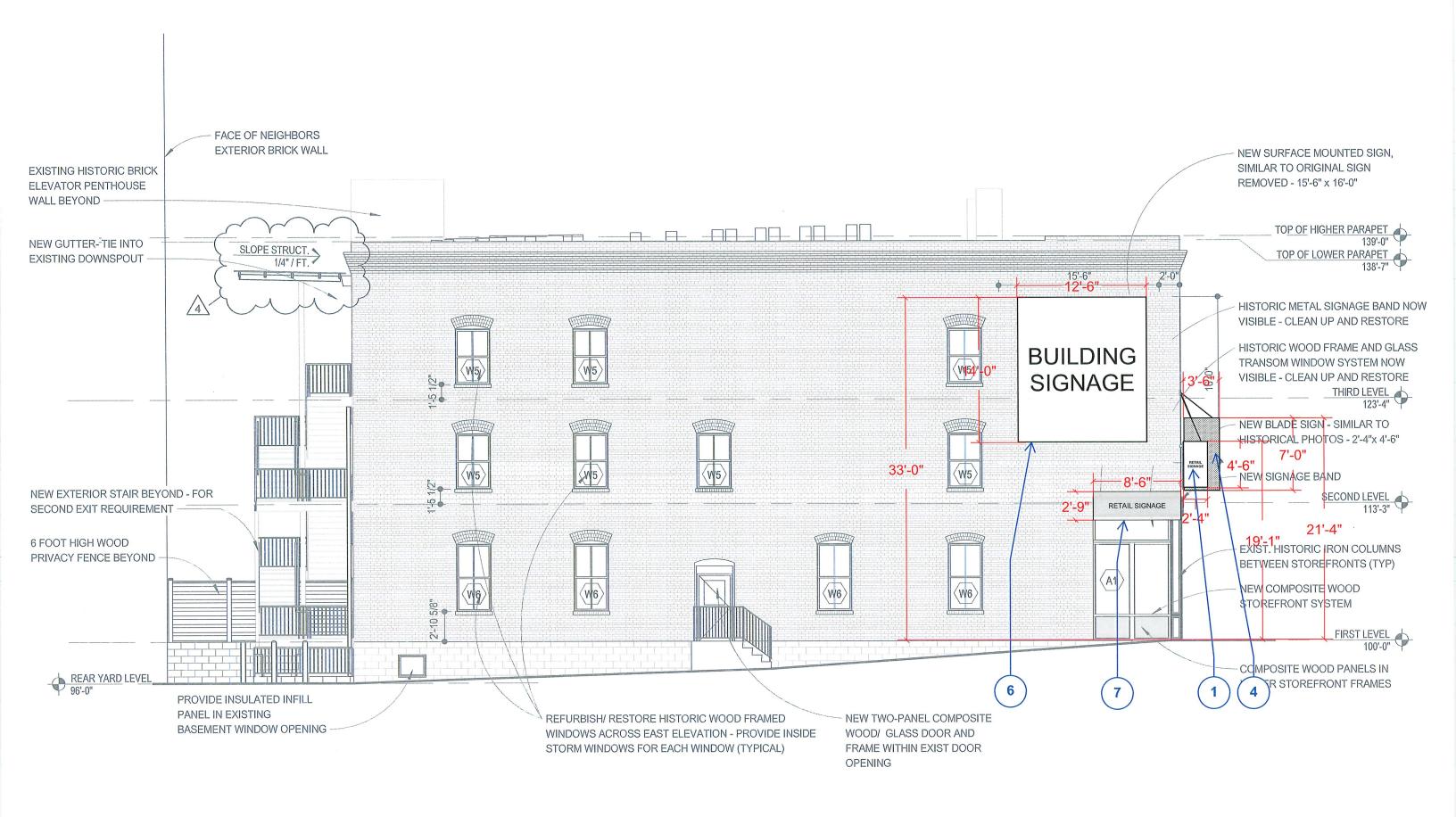
Signage for both existing and potential new tenants will be required to maintain the characteristics described in this Master Sign Plan, to include: sign type, location, size, materials, and illumination. Any deviations from the Master Sign Plan will be subject to City approval.

With 4" of wood framing from the bottom of the existing steel and the top of the historic glass transom, signs #2, 5 & 7 will drop in front of the glass 3" and sign #3 will drop 8". See detail to the right.





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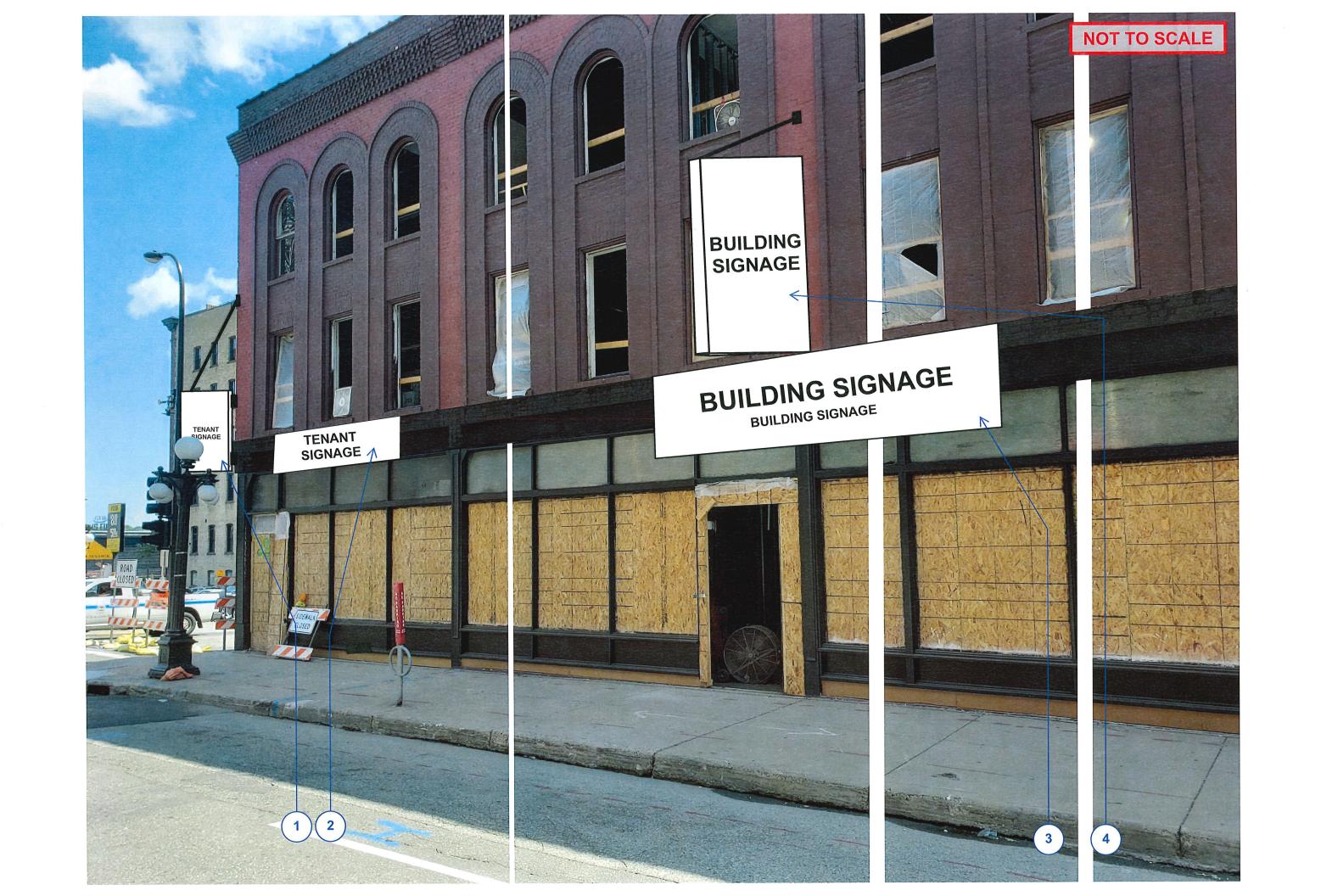
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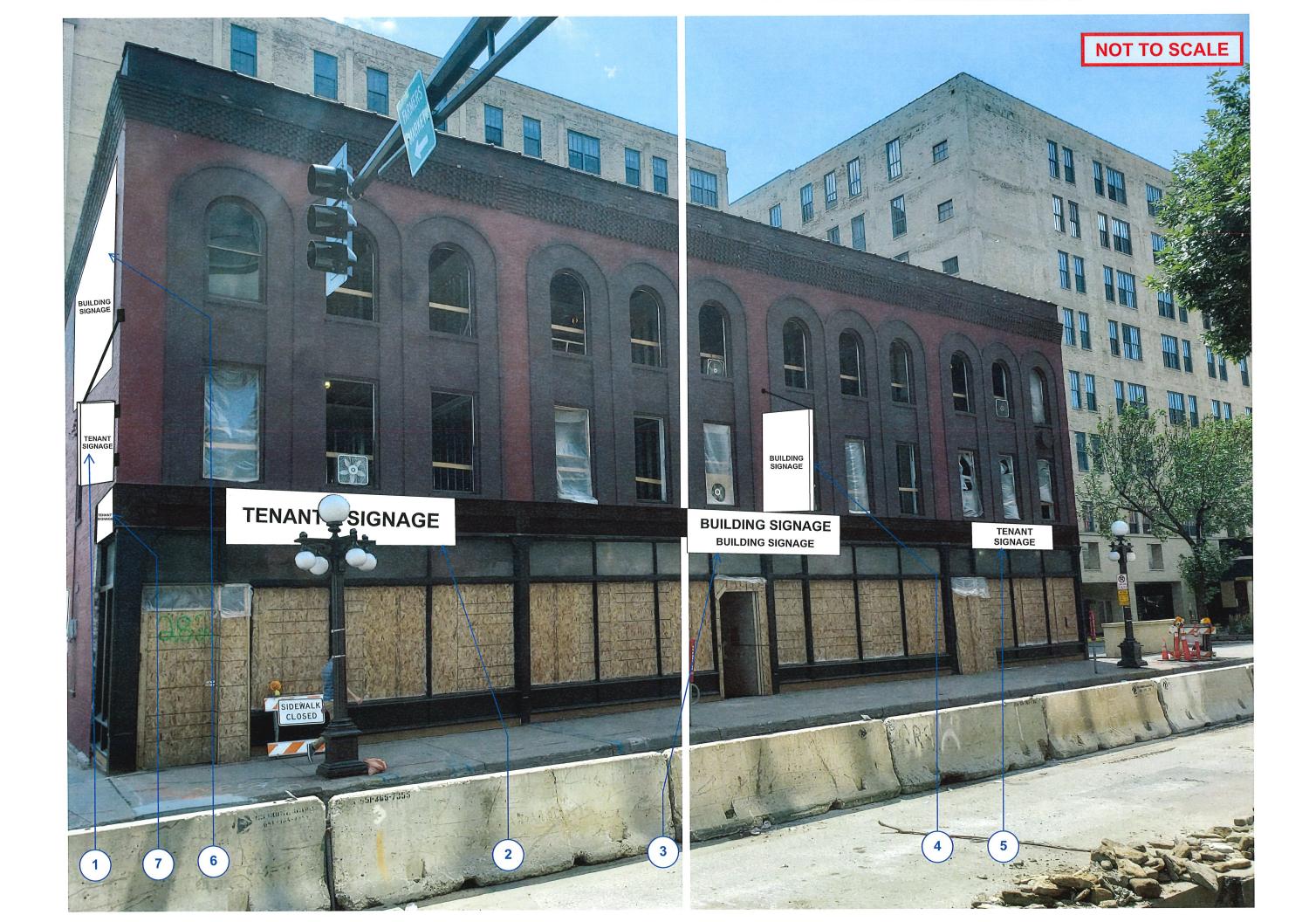


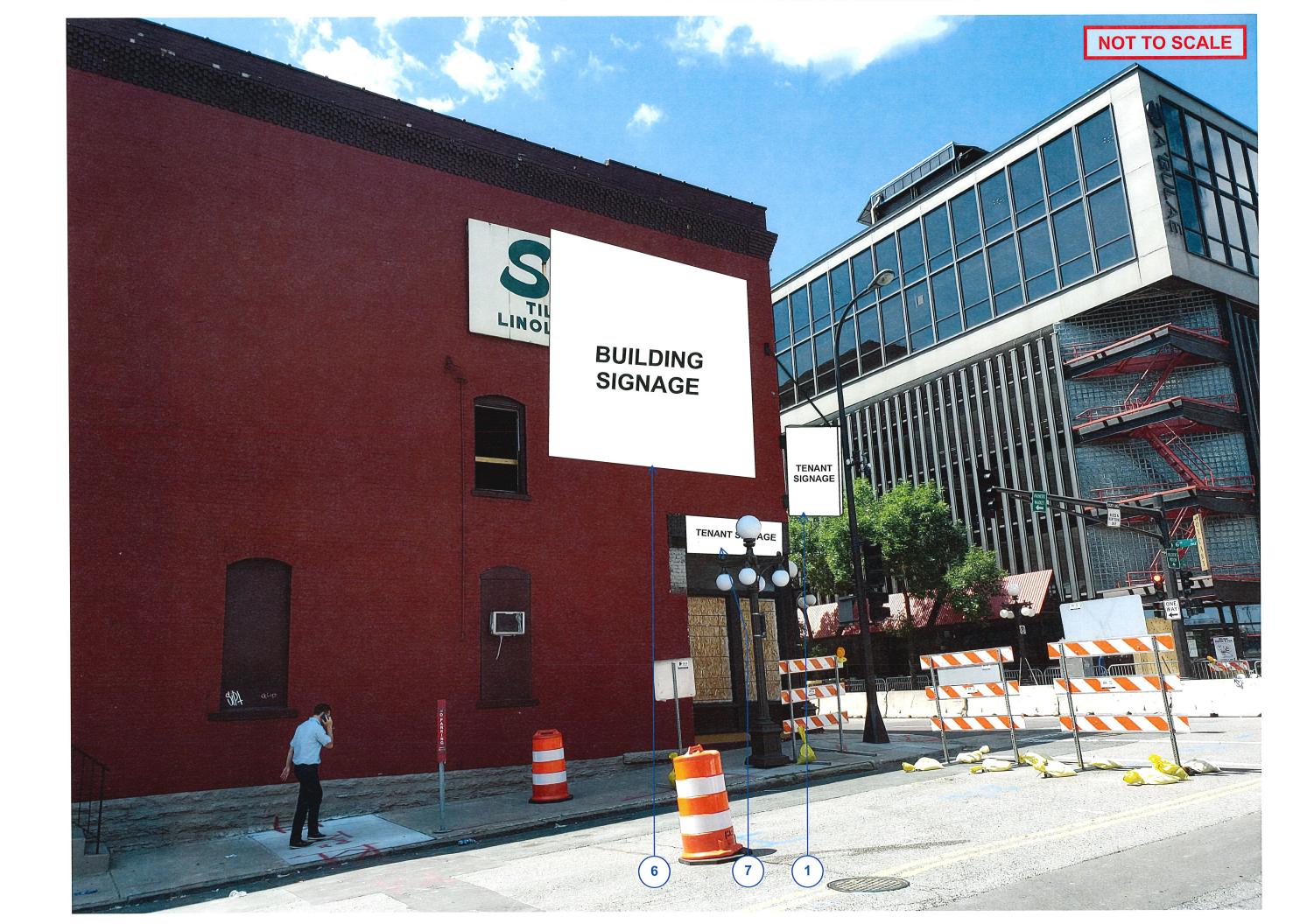
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PROPOSED NORTHWEST PERSPECTIVE

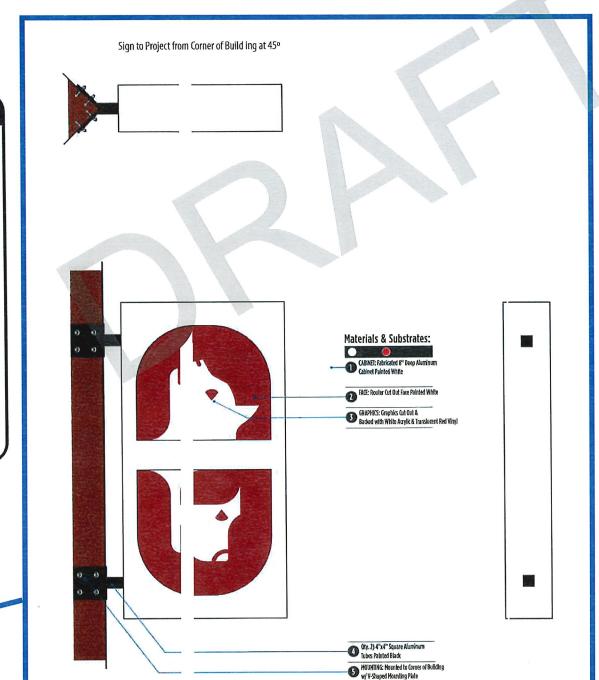




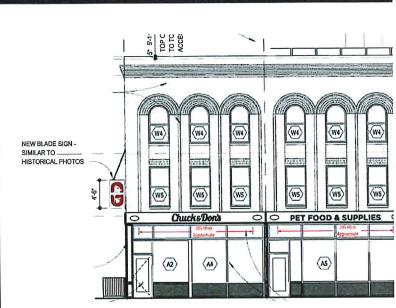


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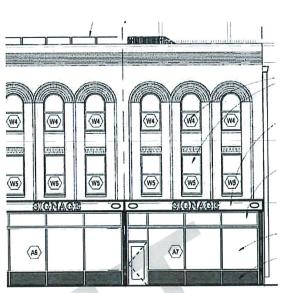
Backlit Double Sided Corner Blade Sign



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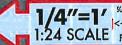
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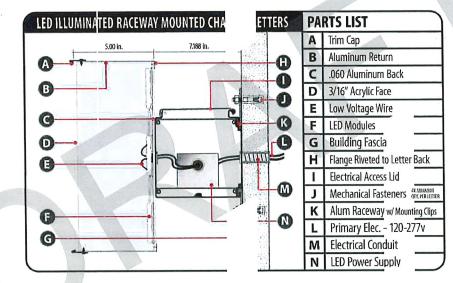
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Materials & Substrates:

44 TOTAL SQ. FT. RACEWAY MOUNTED CHANNEL LETTER SET

FRONT ELEVATION





Standard 5" Deep RACEWAY Mounted LED Channel Letters

- 2283 Red Acrylic 3/16" Faces
- Red LEDs
- Black Returns & Black Trim Cap

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- White LEDs

- Black Returns & Black Trim Cap

Standard 8" Deep RACEWAY Painted Black

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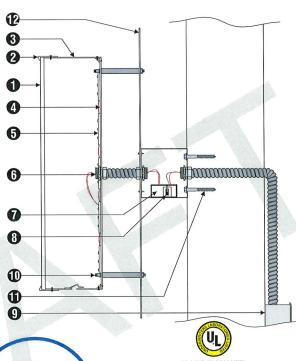




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SECTION DETAIL - RABBIT LOGO MARK

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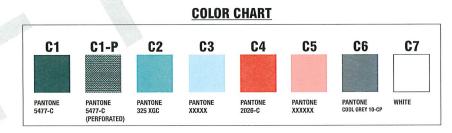
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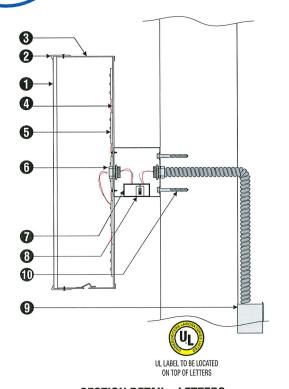
DUAL LIT & FACE LIT CHANNEL LETTERS - RACEWAY MOUNT - TYPE C

- 2. 1" BLACK JEWELITE TRIM CAP
- 3. .040" ALUMINUM RETURN, 3" DEEP, PRE-FINISHED BLACK
- 4. 3/16" CLEAR LEXAN BACKS
- 5. L.E.D. ILLUMINATION, WHITE
- 6. LOW VOLTAGE PASS-THRU
- 7. POWER SUPPLY IN ALUMINUM RACEWAY
- 8. DISCONNECT SWITCH
- 9. PRIMARY POWER (BY OTHERS)
- 10. INSTALL WITH 1/4" RIV-NUT, ALL THREAD & 1" SPACERS
- 11. INSTALL WITH FASTENERS AS REQUIRED BY WALL TYPE
- 12. .125" ALUMINUM BACKER PANEL, PAINTED WHITE

"WellHaven" & "Pet Health"

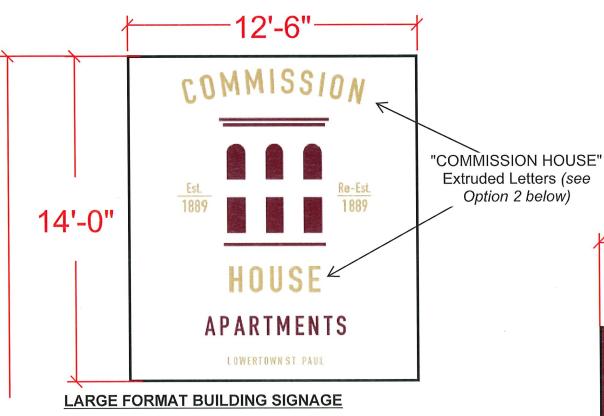
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- 3. .040" ALUMINUM RETURN, 3" DEEP, PRE-FINISHED BLACK
- 4. .063" ALUMINUM BACK, PRE-FINISHED BLACK
- 5. L.E.D. ILLUMINATION, WHITE
- 6. LOW VOLTAGE PASS-THRU
- 7. REMOTE POWER SUPPLY IN ENCLOSURE
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SECTION DETAIL - LETTERS

**SIGN IS SHIPPED WITH PHOTOCELL (LOOSE) TO BE INSTALLED BY INSTALLER PER SITE CONDITIONS. **



Possible Sign Type Options - Option 1, Painted Mural

- Option 2, Painted Mural w/ Extruded Letters
- Option 3, Box Sign (unlit)

Sign content may include elements such as building branding, retail tenant branding elements, local business elements, and/or City of St. Paul/Lowertown neighborhood elements. An artist would be commissioned to interpret and incorporate these elements into a design.

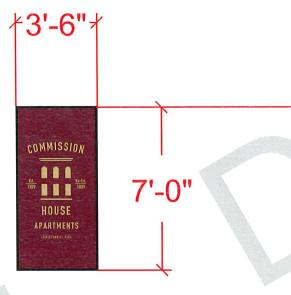
Materials

- Option 1, Paint
- Option 2, Paint & aluminum extruded letters w/ acrylic face
- Option 3, aluminum cabinet w/ acrylic face

Installation

- Extruded letters will be secured to the existing masonry through mortar joints to the greatest extent possible.
- All other applications will be painted.

Power - N/A (no power)



BLADE SIGN - INTERNALLY LIT

Installation

- Brackets, and support shall be installed through mortar joints in existing masonry.

Materials

- Cabinet, aluminum
- Face, acrylic w/ router cut cut graphics backed with acrylic

Power

- Will be run through a short surface mounted conduit, up from sign (3). Conduit to be painted to match building LOWERTOWN ST. PAUL

DUAL LIT & FACE LIT CHANNEL LETTERS - RACEWAY MOUNT

Installation

21'-4"

14'-4"

- Channel shall be installed to existing masonry, and anchored in through mortar joints.

Materials

- Raceway, aluminum
- Channel Letters, acrylic face

Power

- Will be stubbed out from the inside of the building, into the back of the channel.





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H.01 Looking south from Wall Street at the north and east façades. Photo taken 1898. *Photo Courtesy of the Minnesota Historical Society archives ("The Quotation," Vol, 1 No. 39, 1898*).

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H.02 Looking south from Wall Street at the north and east façades. Photo taken 1924. *Photo Courtesy of the Minnesota Historical Society archives (1542-B).*

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H.03 Looking southeast from East 6th Street at the north façade. Photo taken 1924. *Photo Courtesy of the Minnesota Historical Society archives (1612-B).*

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E.01 Looking south from Wall Street at the north and east façades. Photo taken August 2019.

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E.02 Looking southwest at the east façade. Photo taken August 2019.

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E.03 Looking southwest from East 6th Street at the north façade. Photo taken August 2019.

Boulware, Christine (CI-StPaul)

From: Quentin Collette <collette@newhistory.com>

Sent: Friday, September 13, 2019 8:52 AM **To:** Boulware, Christine (CI-StPaul)

Cc: Skarda, Ashley (CI-StPaul); Mike Munson; Marc Basara

Subject: Re: 282 Sixth Street East - Master Sign Plan

Think Before You Click: This email originated outside our organization.

Good morning Christine,

Following our discussion on the sign band earlier this week, I hereby confirm that we would like to revise the proposed treatment at the sign band location above the storefront on the north facade and north end of the east facade (i.e. building sign #3 and tenant signs #2, #5, and #7).

A new sign band will be provided to conceal the existing metal lintel and common brick, to ressemble the sign band in the historic photo (see historic photos). The new sign band will consist of a flat panel made of cellular PVC. The new sign band will be attached through the mortar joints. The new sign band will be painted black to match the new storefront below. New building and tenant signage will be provided at the sign band (as described in the Master Sign Plan, see signs #2, #3, #5, and #7).

Let us know if you have any questions, (I apologize for the late update.)

Best,

Quentin

On Thu, Sep 5, 2019 at 12:11 PM Boulware, Christine (CI-StPaul) < christine.boulware@ci.stpaul.mn.us> wrote:

Hi Quentin,

George forwarded the Master Sign Plan application for Commission House to me for review.

The plan will be on the September 23rd HPC agenda.

I've forwarded the submittal to Ashley Skarda in zoning in the Department of Safety and Inspections (she's copied on this email).

She will be reviewing the master sign plan for compliance with zoning code and can let you know if she needs additional information.

One piece of information we will need: Please show the distance of projecting signs over the property line; the bracket and sign cannot exceed 48".

Will you be the main contact?

I will look through the application and email you if I have any questions.

Best,

Christine



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