

**ACTION MINUTES OF THE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION  
CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA  
City Hall/Court House, 15 Kellogg Boulevard West, Council Chambers**

**March 25, 2019**

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**Present:** Michael Justin, Barbara Bezat, Leetta Douglas, Steve George, Teresa Kimker, Robert Lubke, Bill Lightner, Stuart MacDonald, Paul Nelson, Joe Peroutka, Casie Radford

**Absent:** Richard Dana, David Wagner

**Staff Present:** George Gause, Allison Suhan

**Number of Public Present:** 5

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**I. Call to Order 3:30pm**

**II. Adoption of the Agenda** *Commissioner Lubke moved to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Lightner seconded the motion. **Motion passed 10-0.***

**III. Conflicts of Interest** *None.*

**IV. Minutes**

*Minutes for February 11, 2019 and February 25, 2019 were reviewed.*

*Commissioner George moved to recommend approval of both sets of minutes.*

*Commissioner Kimker seconded the motion. **Motion passed 10-0.***

**V. Public Hearing**

**A. 2255 University Avenue West – University Raymond Heritage Preservation District,** proposal to demolish a non-contributing structure and construct a five-story, mixed use building.

*Commissioner Lubke moved to conditionally approve application #19-011 to demolish the non-contributing properties on the parcels and construct a six-story, mixed use, multi-family apartment building at 2250 University Avenue West as per the findings of fact, presented testimony, submitted documentation and information provided in the staff report with the 18 conditions. Commissioner Peroutka seconded the motion. The Commission Chair opened the floor for discussion.*

*Commissioners expressed mixed concerns with the balconies.*

*Commissioners discussed the bulkhead and cornice.*

*Commissioners had questions about materials.*

*Applicant, David Miller asked to amend the staff conditions #1,2,4 and 6.*

*Two members of the audience testified.*

*One urged that the overhead powerlines to be buried.*

*Commissioner MacDonald offered an amendment to eliminate condition #1 and to recommend that the powerlines be buried. Commissioner Lubke rejected the amendment.*

*The Commission voted on the motion. The motion failed 2-8. (Commissioners Justin, Douglas, George, Lightner, MacDonald, Nelson, Peroutka and Radford voted against)*

*Commissioner MacDonald moved to conditionally approve application #19-011 to demolish the non-contributing properties on the parcels and construct a six-story, mixed use, multi-family apartment building at 2250 University Avenue West as per the findings*

*of fact, presented testimony, submitted documentation and information provided in the staff report with 17 conditions. eliminated condition #1 from the staff report concerning balconies and recommending that the overhead powerlines be buried. Commissioner Peroutka seconded the motion. The Motion passed 7-3 (Commissioners Nelson, Lubke and Radford against)*

*The Commission formed a design committee of Commissioners Lightner, Douglas, MacDonald and Radford)*

## **VI. Old Business**

### **A. Amend 2019 Workplan**

*Items from the Commission discussion at the February 11, 2019 meeting were added to the 2019 Workplan.*

## **VII. Guidelines Discussion**

*Repairs. The Commission continued their year long series of discussions on the Legislative Code Chapter 74 Preservation Plans, otherwise know as the design guidelines. This was an informal discussion that will provide the initial thoughts on direction of any possible rewrite of the guidelines and focus for future public, professional and trades input.*

*Commissioners discussed development of a list of repairs that would require HPC review, addition of a clear main idea, and development of a maintenance section in the guidelines.*

## **VIII. Adjourn 5:20pm**