ACTION MINUTES OF THE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA

City Hall/Court House, 15 Kellogg Boulevard West, Council Chambers

July 29, 2019

Present: Barbara Bezat, Teresa Kimker, Steve George, Paul Nelson, Joe Peroutka, Leetta

Douglas, Michael Justin, Stuart MacDonald, Bill Lightner, Robert Lubke

Absent: Casie Radford, Richard Dana, David Wagner

Staff Present: George Gause **Number of Public Present**: 0

I. Call to Order 3:30pm

- II. Adoption of the Agenda Commissioner George moved to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Kimker seconded the motion. **Motion passed 9-0**.
- III. Conflicts of Interest None.

IV. Minutes

Minutes for July 1, 2019 were reviewed.

Commissioner Lubke moved to recommend approval of the minutes. Commissioner George seconded the motion. **Motion passed 9-0**.

(Commissioner Nelson arrives)

V. Old Buisness

- A. Policy #17-004: Public Testimony to the HPC revision.
- B. Policy #17-005: Applicant Testimony to the HPC revision.

Commissioners stated that they would like to give speakers more time.

A 2-minute time allowance seems condensed.

Speakers should have an expectation of how much time they have to speak.

Chair can always extend speakers time.

Commissioner George moved to change speakers time from 2-minutes to 3-minutes. Commissioner MacDonald seconded the motion.

Motion passed, 9-0

VI. New Business

325 Cedar Street – Degree of Honor Building: Certified Local Government comment on the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. (Suhan, 266-6643)

Commissioners felt that the significance summary should more effectively convey the cultural importance of the owners to the role of women in commerce both locally and nationally.

There should be a more direct reference to the actual materials which constitute the "black granite" tile walls and columns of the building to reflect the specific building materials.

The cultural context should better explain the significance of a women's dominated financial enterprise during the era represented by this edifice along with the origin of the name.

The Commission allowed for public comment but did not receive any.

The commission voted 9-0 in support of the nomination of the Degree of Honor Protective Association Building to the National Register of Historic Places.

Guideline discussion- Other topic areas for inclusion

Concern with adding more restrictions to residents, especially with landscape. Street signage, signals and lighting could have an effect, how can we partner with Public works.

Would like to know more about Forestry's jurisdiction and how we can be involved. Parks and park structures should be surveyed.

VII. Adjourn 4:55pm