Heritage Preservation Commission July 25, 2017 Meeting Minutes Council Chambers – Duluth City Hall

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Michael Poupore called to order the meeting of the Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 25, 2017.

Attending: Ken Buehler, Terry Guggenbuehl, Mike Malone, and Michael Poupore

Absent: Stacey DeRoche and David Woodward Staff Present: Jenn Moses and Cindy Stafford

II. New Business

- A. Identify Bluestone Quarries for Potential Nominations Topic is on the work plan for 2017 and is open for discussion. Ken Buehler mentions there is a good article about the quarries written by Brian Klawiter who is a wealth of information. Moses invites Buehler to forward her the article, and she will in turn share it with the HPC members.
- B. ISD 709 new facilities manager. Moses will follow up by calling David Spooner. Topics of interest are Old Central, New Central, and Nettleton.

III. Old Business

- A. Lincoln Park historic survey update Moses gives an update. The final draft is now in a 30-day review period with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). The final will be available on the city's website.
- B. Morgan park school discussion. Tearing down the school is costly, and the developer may propose a 2-phase system.
- C. Skyline Parkway update still on to do list based on the difficulty of a legal description. Chair Poupore interested is seeing the historical survey, which Moses shares is listed on the city's website.

IV. Communications and Other Business

- A. Planning Commission Update Terry Guggenbuehl gives an overview. The planning commission supports the historic designation of the Lincoln park pavilion. Moses states they are still working on the final application. Once complete they will forward to SHPO. Guggenbuehl shares there was an application for a Special Use Permit for a restaurant on 318 N. 18th Ave. E. The item was tabled due to parking issues. They hope to reuse an existing old commercial building. Moses states one criteria that must be met for a Special Use Permit is that the proposed restaurant can't have a negative impact on the neighborhood. The planning commission has to weigh other factors including, what is the likely customer draw; and, how will it affect traffic. Chair Poupore asks for suggestions on what the HPC can do in the future to help preserve old buildings. Guggenbuehl suggests adding it to the UDC/zoning code. A variance for a small office might be easier to approve than a restaurant.
- B. The Henry Waltman building on 4th street was torn down yesterday. Discussion about demolition of historic buildings.

- C. Imagine Duluth 2035 (Comprehensive Plan) Moses shares the cultural resource policies of the past comprehensive plan. This plan was adopted in 2006. Staff have wrapped up their focus group meetings and are now focused on the written portion. She welcomes feedback. Does something need to be changed? Moses suggests emailing her with changes and comments. Chair Poupore suggests the commissioners email him first and he will consolidate their comments and suggestions.
- D. Consideration of Minutes <u>June 27, 2017</u> **MOTION/Second:** Malone/Guggenbuehl approve June 27, 2017 minutes.

VOTE: (4-0)

E. Topics for August Meeting

- ➤ Enger Tower: Potential for Indian Burial Mounds. Cultural resources comprehensive plan policies update. Mike Malone would like to welcome the new contact for ISD 709.
- F. Adjournment at 2:42 p.m. (Next Meeting, Tuesday, August 22, 2017)

Respectfully,

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