

Heritage Preservation Commission  
December 12, 2022 Meeting Minutes  
Council Chambers – City Hall

1) Call to Order and Roll Call

President Ken Buehler called to order the meeting of the Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, December 12, 2022.

**Attendance:**

Attending: Ken Buehler, Gary Eckenberg, Jessica Glander (formerly Fortney) Jess Mccullough, and Kal Randa

Absent: Brandon Hartung

Staff Present: Steven Robertson and Cindy Stafford

2) Public Hearings

N/A

3) Consideration of Minutes

September 12, 2022 HPC Meeting

**MOTION/Second:** Mccullough/Randa approved the minutes

**VOTE: (5-0)**

4) Communications

MnDot TH61 Project, 106 Consulting Party – Steven Robertson gave an overview, and asked if the HPC would like to be a consulting party. Jessica Glander said she wanted to be involved and included on the paper trail notices. Jess Mccullough asked aside from the pump house, are other historical impacts involved? Glander noted there are some box culverts and possibly some bridges.

**MOTION/Second:** Mccullough/Eckenberg nominate Glander to represent the HPC as a consulting party to the MnDot TH61 project

**VOTE: (5-0)**

5) Report of Final Disposition of Matters Previously Before the Commission –

Robertson noted the state conference hosted by Duluth went well. He appreciated the commissioners' attendance and presentations for the event.

6) Reports of Officers, Staff and Committees

Annual Meeting, Election

Election of officers -

**MOTION/Second:** Buehler/Eckenberg nominate Glander to serve as the HPC President and Mccullogh to serve as Vice President

**VOTE: (5-0)**

Planning Commission overview – Gary Eckenberg will note items of importance for their next meeting. Robertson shared the planning commission agenda. He noted St. Lukes Hospital will be adding additional levels to Building A, which may affect the view sheds. Nothing else is particularly of interest to the HPC. Kal Randa asked if the St. Scholastica new addition will have an impact on their historical property. Robertson noted it will be a re-use and won't have an impact.

7) Consideration of Matters Regarding Commission Action

N/A

8) Other Business

Pending item for January HPC Mtg – There is an application for 230 E 4<sup>th</sup> Street to be a historic local landmark. Robertson shared the info in their packet and gave an overview. Eckenberg asked if there is ever a case when the owner of the property isn't the applicant. Robertson noted it is usually the owner of the property. Eckenberg asked what landmark status does. Per Robertson it makes it challenging to demo the property in the future and they become eligible to receive historic tax credits. Glander stated there is more control over local landmarks and a preservation plan is implemented. Robertson noted some cities have a historic property loan program. Glander noted Minnesota currently doesn't have residential tax credits because it was "sunset" this past June. She noted Wisconsin does have tax credits. Robertson noted the applicant of 230 E 4<sup>th</sup> Street will work on their preservation plan after the nomination.

Commissioner Randa asked about the status of the façade by old main - UMD campus. Per Robertson they were encouraged to apply for a CDBG grant, but did not.

Commissioner Glander asked about the Pastoret. Per Robertson, nothing official and will report back if that changes.

9) Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Respectfully,

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