

Heritage Preservation Commission
April 10, 2018 Meeting Minutes
Council Chambers – Duluth City Hall

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Michael Poupore called to order the meeting of the Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) at 3:03 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10, 2018.

Attending: Ken Buehler (arrived during item 3.A), Stacey DeRoche, Mike Malone, Michael Poupore, and Zandy Zwiebel

Absent: N/A

Staff Present: Jenn Moses and Cindy Stafford

2. New Business

- A. **PL 18-038** Historic Construction/Demolition Permit for Repair to Front Porch at 106 N 54th Avenue E by Lakeside-Lester Park Community Club

Staff: Jenn Moses gives an overview. The applicant would like to repair the porch deck concrete and tuck pointing due to deterioration. Additional information was provided to the commissioners on their desks describing the scope of work.

Applicant: Jeff Cox representing Lester Park Community Club addresses the commission. Bids are being processed for the roof. They also have bids out for the masonry work. Chair Poupore states restoration work is appreciated. Mike Malone agrees and doesn't see any adverse effects created from this repair.

Public: No speakers.

Commissioners: N/A

MOTION/Second: DeRoche/Malone approve the certificate of appropriateness for the repair of porch deck concrete and tuck pointing.

VOTE: (4-0)

3. Old Business

- A. Historic Nomination of Lake Superior and Mississippi Railroad (LSMRR) – Chair Poupore welcomes Director Keith Hamre to the podium. Director Hamre addresses the commission and gives a briefing. He stated Jim Filby Williams addressed the commission back in November. The owner of the property which is the city feels the railroad is a valuable resource and should be nominated, just not at this time. They are waiting for Great Lakes Redevelopment Funding for the US Steel site. Director Hamre thinks they will know more in 3-4 months. Chair Poupore stated the HPC did recommend the nomination and Terry Guggenbuehl was the only descending vote. Director Hamre states when the property owner is not behind it, it is difficult to move forward. He refers to St. Peter's Church, which ended up being a win/win situation once the property owner supported the nomination. Zandy Zwiebel asks why they need to wait. What are the complications? Director Hamre states there are nine different remediation scenarios, and many factors they need to work out before they move forward. Malone asks for clarification that the city is in fact the owner and not just the manager. Director Hamre affirms. Director Hamre states they can probably bring it before the planning commission by July at the latest. Malone would like this to remain on the agenda for updates. Zwiebel asks what portion will be designated. Chair Poupore states the remaining four miles of track.

- B. Lincoln Park Pavilion – Preservation Plan – Moses gives an overview. The draft is being reviewed by the parks and facility departments. She hopes to have it back for adoption next month. It will include standards of what should be preserved on the building. The preservation plan is referred to when issuing certificates of appropriates for future work.
- C. Enger Tower – Grant Application – Stacey DeRoche spoke with David Woodward after last month’s meeting. They still plan on meeting to develop an application for a legacy grant. Per Moses, if Woodward bids on it, he wouldn’t be able to apply for the grant. She suggests asking Woodward to provide examples of other grants. Zwiebel asks about legacy grants. Per Moses, the legacy grants are awarded by the state of Minnesota. Chair Poupore would like to invite the Indigenous Commission to contribute. DeRoche would like more information on what they would like to see in the application. Chair Poupore asked if staff has examples of legacy grants. Moses states she can try to identify some and adds the HPC has to determine if this is something they want to pursue as a priority. Ken Buehler states he has worked on legacy grants, and there are lots of details involved--quotes are needed from third parties. Zwiebel would like to see a summary statement and why they are doing it. Moses suggests starting with the ethnographic study to determine priority sites. Where in the city is an archaeological study needed? DeRoche will touch base with Woodward and ask why he thought this site was a priority.
- D. Pilot Program for Rehabilitation of Historic Homes – Per Moses, no update at this time.

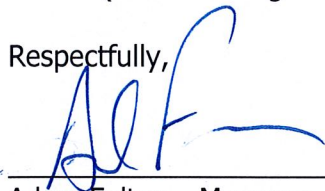
4. Communications and Other Business

- A. Duluth Public Arts Commission Meeting – Monday, April 16th – 5:00 p.m. in Room 106A. Public art on Superior Street which is a Historic interpretation to work in conjunction with one another. Chair Poupore thought they might be interested in the ghost signs, and signage for the incline stairs. Per Moses, right now it’s just at the brainstorming stage. There may be areas where the HPC and the DPAC could work collaboratively.
- B. Planning Commission Update – Zandy Zwiebel – (discussed at end of the agenda). Zwiebel asks the HPC for their input on what they would like to know about. Chair Poupore states anything related to historical buildings or districts.
- C. Imagine Duluth 2035 (Comprehensive Plan) – Moses gives an update. Resolution going to city council in April.
- D. Consideration of Minutes – March 13, 2018
MOTION/Second: Malone/DeRoche approve the March 13, 2018 minutes.

VOTE: (5-0)

- 5. Adjournment at 3:53 p.m.
(Next Meeting Tuesday, May 8, 2018.)

Respectfully,



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