ACTION MINUTES OF THE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA Online *MS Teams* Meeting November 1, 2021

Present: Teresa Kimker, Paul Nelson, Joseph Peroutka, Ethan Osten, Leetta Douglas, Joseph Peroutka, Stuart MacDonald
Absent: Steve George
Staff Present: George Gause, Christine Boulware, Kate Daley
Number of Public in Call: 3

I. Call to Order 3:30 pm

Staff announced that commissioner Robert Lubke had resigned from the commission.

II. Adoption of the Agenda

Commissioner Nelson moved to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Douglas seconded the motion. **Motion passed 6-0**.

III. Conflicts of Interest None

IV. Minutes

Minutes for October 4, 2021 HPC meeting was reviewed. Commissioner Nelson moved to recommend approval of the minutes. Commissioner Osten seconded the motion. **Motion passed 6-0**.

VII. Pre-Application

a. 703 Surrey

A new, single family residential structure with attached garage is proposed for the vacant lot.

<u>Commissioner questions and comments</u> Has a single lane driveway been explored? Front door and window alignment seems off.

<u>Applicant</u> This lot is 10 feet less than the typical lots found in the area. A garage will mean less cars on the street and a greater tendency to be owner occupied.

Commissioner comments

The site is limited. The architect should be commended on this design proposal. The nested Gables seem fine in this application. Window proportions should be more vertical. Windows on the front facade should be paired. Garage door should be designed and elegant, fit in. Egress windows can be at the side or in a discreet non front facade location.

VI. Designation Public Hearing

Staff presented the proposed designation of Dwight H. and Clara Watson House and barn, at 402 Hall Avenue.

Staff announced that the motion and resolution draft were sent by email to commissioners earlier the same day of the hearing.

Commissioner questions

Why does the owner want local designation? they should answer that. Barn has been moved should this be addressed. It remained on site it has been listed on the National Register and it was moved by the original owner.

Commissioner comments

The Commission appreciates the work that has been done to the property. This is a significant Cass Gilbert structure that needs to be protected. In the draft resolution the address should be changed from 402 Randolph to 402 Hall.

Commissioner Nelson moved to recommend to the City Council that the Dwight H. and Clara Watson House and barn, at 402 Hall Avenue, be accepted for designation as a Saint Paul Heritage Preservation Site along with the preservation program based on the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Commissioner Peroutka seconded.

Motion passed 6-0.

Adjourn 4:35pm

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