Saint Paul Planning Commission

City Hall Conference Center Room 40 15 Kellogg Boulevard West Action Minutes August 22, 2025 8:30 - 11:00 a.m.

I. Approval of Minutes from July 25, 2025

Minutes for the July 25, 2025, Planning Commission were approved.

II. Chair's Announcements

Chair Grill thanked the commissioners for their patience as she was recently out sick and is trying to get caught up with people. The chair will be absent for the last two weeks of September as she will be away for her wedding.

III. Planning Director's Announcements

Director Robinson gave an update regarding the recovery from the cyber attack against the City of Saint Paul.

IV. Zoning Committee

<u>25-053-864 Cups and Cheers CUP</u> - Conditional use permit for a bar with more than 5,000 sq. ft. in floor area. 1624-1626 White Bear Ave N, NE corner of White Bear Avenue and Idaho Avenue E. B2, District Council 2, Ward 6 (*Christina Hong 651-266-6572*)

Approval of the committee recommendation to approve conditional use permit for Cups and Cheers was unanimous on a voice vote.

25-054-206 Nova Classical Academy Addition Amendment to Victoria Park Master Plan with variances 1) in floor area ratio, 2) reducing the Minimum opening percentage for doors and windows, 3) dimensional and Yard standards for a. front yard setback, b. parking lot frontage, c. bus parking area, and d. parking area interior landscaping. North side of Mercer Avenue between Kay Avenue and Madison Street (triangular lot north of 1455 Victoria Way) T3M, District Council 9, Ward 3 (Stefan Hankerson 651-266-6646)

Approval of the committee recommendation to approve the master plan amendment and variances passed on a voice vote with two abstentions (Reilly and Houmas).

V. Comprehensive & Neighborhood Planning Committee

Commissioner Martinson gave the report for the committee.

<u>Hamline Midway Neighborhood Plan</u> – provide recommendation to City Council. (*Valerie Quarles*, 651-266-6637).

The commissioners voted to approve the Hamline-Midway 2030 Neighborhood Plan. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

VI-. Transportation Committee

Commissioner Risberg gave the committee report. The committee received a presentation from MNDOT regarding the Robert Street reconstruction project.

VII. Task Force/Liaison Reports

None.

VIII. Old Business

None.

IX. New Business

None.

X Adjournment

9:05 a.m.