

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

May 21, 2015

Samantha Langer
City of St. Paul – PED
1400 City Hall Annex
25 W 4th Street
Saint Paul, MN 55102

RE: Demolition of 1059 Van Slyke Avenue
St. Paul, Ramsey County
SHPO Number: 2015-1751

Dear Ms. Langer:

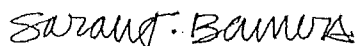
Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the above project. Information received in our office on 20 April 2015 has been reviewed pursuant to the responsibilities given the State Historic Preservation Officer by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and the Procedures of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (36CFR800).

Unfortunately, based upon the limited information available to us regarding this property, we are unable to complete our review regarding the proposed demolition at this time. Additional information is needed on the history and construction of the building and its surrounding neighborhood in order for us to provide meaningful comment on its eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP).

Therefore, pursuant to 26 CFR 800.4(c), we recommend that your agency complete an evaluation of the residential property located at 1059 Van Slyke Avenue, which we have determined might have National Register significance as part of a residential historic district. According to the documentation submitted, this property was constructed in 1914 and, although it appears to have been altered to a minimal extent, the residential neighborhood in which it is located appears to retain a very high level of historic integrity and therefore should be evaluated for NRHP eligibility. Any inventory and evaluation should meet the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for Evaluation* and submitted to our office for review.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding this comment letter. I can be reached at 651-259-3456 or sarah.beimers@mnhs.org.

Sincerely,



Sarah J. Beimers, Manager
Government Programs & Compliance

cc: Amy Spong, St. Paul Heritage Preservation Commission