

City of Excelsior  
Hennepin County, Minnesota

Minutes  
Heritage Preservation Commission

Monday, June 8, 2015

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Schmidt called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Brabec, Carlson, Finch, Macpherson, Nelson, and Chair Schmidt

Commissioners Absent: None

Also Present: City Planner Smith

3. Feedback on Historic Preservation Ordinance Steering Committee Representatives

Schmidt and Finch stated that they were concerned that Steering Committee does not have enough time to complete the historic preservation ordinance review and Design Manual within the nine month moratorium review. Macpherson believes revising ordinance and Design Manual can be completed within the nine month moratorium period.

Schmidt discussed the goals and policies of the Comprehensive Plan. Nelson suggested that the HPC needs to understand the Secretary of Interior Standards, why they important and if the City should take a hard, medium or light line on the Secretary of Interior Standards.

Commission discussed the rooftop issue and how the Steering Committee has been discussing the issue. Oppidan development violated the City's Design Standards because the City wanted a grocery store.

Nelson stated that another Special meeting is needed to go through the Design Manual and ordinance line by line to see if there is a consensus on everything.

Nelson motioned that the HPC review the document that Schmidt prepared when he made the majority position, then the HPC review the Design Manual, then review those based on the second story addition.

Commission agreed (6-0) that the HPC will request the Steering Committee that it takes over the responsibility of drafting the Design Manual and ordinance as opposed to the Steering Committee.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Macpherson moved, Commissioner Brabec seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried 6/0.

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Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Smith  
City Planner