

## Historic Preservation District Commission

Public Hearing –April 21, 2016

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Call to order

Mr. Pulaski –Vice Chairman, called the meeting to order.

Commissioners- Present: Jeff Bernard, Susan Danielson, Laura Van Huss, Mike Pulaski and Ed Kimball

Administrator: Louise Scott; Secretary: Kathy Reeves

### Approval of Minutes

1). February 18, 2016- Mr. Kimball made a motion to approve the minutes, Ms. Van Huss seconded. There were no objections, minutes were approved.

### New Business

Mr. Pulaski recognized students from St. Scholastica School who were attending the meeting to fulfill a requirement for their Civics class.

Mr. Pulaski stated he had sent a letter to Ms. Scott for his resignation from the HPDC as of June 1, 2016 since he was recently elected to the City's Council.

1). Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

Mr. Pulaski asked for nominations from the floor for Chairman. Mr. Pulaski nominated Mr. Bernard for Chairman. With no other nominations, Mr. Pulaski closed the floor. The Commissioners unanimously approved the selection, and Mr. Pulaski announced Mr. Bernard HPDC Chairman.

Mr. Pulaski asked for nominations from the floor for Vice Chairman. Mr. Kimball nominated Ms. Danielson . With no other nominations, Mr. Pulaski closed the floor. The Commissioners unanimously approved the selection , and Mr. Pulaski announced Ms. Danielson HPDC Vice Chairman.

### Announcements

Mr. Pulaski wanted the results of the appeal of HC16-01-01, denial of demolish, request to the City Council to be recorded in the HPDC minutes. He stated the City Council voted unanimously to overturn the denial of demolition from the HPDC.

Mr. Pulaski read from the CLURO: Zoning District Regulations, Article 7.6.4.13-Section 4.5: Demolition or relocation of "Contributing" building, structures and landmarks is discouraged and every effort should be made to restore historic context that might have been altered. He felt that clearly on a legal aspect the HPDC does not have the authority to deny , only to discourage (which he felt the HPDC did) and the City Council was correct in overturning the denial of demolition. Mr. Pulaski stated he would like to introduce an ordinance to help close the gap for "contributing" structures.

Ms. Van Huss felt that a historic preservation commission should be to "preserve". Therefore the applicant should be telling the commission "why" they want to demo , not that the commission tries to figure out "why not".

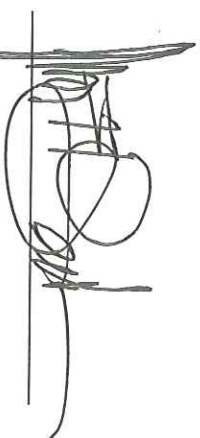
Ms. Scott said when they were writing the Ordinance 12-32, the public wanted a very limited regulation. It was more of a tax incentive based program. She stated there is a need for more criteria for review or maybe "conditions" could be suggested for demolition requests.

Mr. Pulaski stated the next meeting would be May 19, 2016.

Adjournment

Mr. Bernard moved to adjourn, Ms. Danielson seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

  
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Kathy Reeves, Secretary  
*acting secretary*

  
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Jeff Bernard, Chairman