Minutes of the Prospect Park Association Land Use Committee Meeting Tuesday, January 9th, 2020 PPUMC

Persons in attendance listed below:
Preston Moser, Prospect Park Properties; Dan Bryant, Joe Ring, Lynn Von Korff, David Frank, John Wicks, PPA LU Committee, Chairperson, (Uncertain Lydia McAneny, Donna Schneider, Jere Purple)

1. John Wicks welcomed all attending the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

2. John Wicks presented the draft Agenda and asked for a motion to approve it. Motion carried.

3. Review of Meeting Minutes for December 12, 2019 was held. Motion made and approval made of the minutes. (For distribution at the February Board meeting)

4. a. Topic: Update on Impact of Residence Inn on PP Historic District. Joe Ring described that there is an application process that must be followed for “Demolition of a Historic (District) Resource.” The governing body which has jurisdiction over the Historic Resource has the responsibility to complete the Application for this process. In this instance the Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) did not provide designation for the Prospect Park Historic District yet the State Historical Organization did through its affiliation with the Department of the Interior through the National Historic Preservation Act which enables formation of National Historic Places and Districts. But in this instance of the issue with the Residence Inn and demolition of the Schneider Drug building (a contributing building) SHPO will have to do it and not the HPC. Although Hillary Dvorak, Principal City Planner for the Residence Inn project felt that the City would not have to do it. Eventually, the City Attorney said it was not the State’s responsibility but rather HPC’s. Joe stated that due to this confusion the Application will take a while.

   b. Joe further described that he has no understanding of how this could affect other portions of the district such as Prospect Terrace and areas around Bedford. Also Joe was concerned with what level of degradation of the District will SHPO tolerate with changes within the district?

   c. A motion was made and approved for the letter that had been drafted by John Wicks and revised by other members of the LU Committee to be finalized and emailed to Hillary Dvorak. The motion carried with Dan Bryant abstaining. (Final letter is attached).

5. There were no further topics discussed.

6. The next Land Use Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, February 13th at Prospect Park United Methodist Church (PPUMC), beginning at 7 PM.

Attachments

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Minutes prepared by John Wicks – send your comments or corrections to him at jonewix@aol.com