

MAPLEWOOD HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION

COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL

May 8, 2014 – 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes
 - a. April 10, 2014 HPC Meeting
5. New Business
 - a. Open Meeting Law
 - b. Election of Chair and Vice Chair
6. Old Business
 - a. Historic Context Study (staff update, consultant will not attend meeting)
 - b. Subcommittee reports
 - i. Business Award
 - ii. Council Minutes
 - iii. Local Designations
7. Visitor Presentations
 - a. Old Betsy-Gladstone's First Fire Engine, Bob Jensen and Kate Cavett
8. Maplewood Area Historical Society Update
9. Commission Presentations
10. Staff Presentations
 - a. Grant for Annual Conference
 - b. Sign update
 - c. Photos from Council presenting the Heritage Preservation Award
11. Adjournment

MINUTES
 MAPLEWOOD HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION
 7:00p.m., Thursday, April 10, 2014
 Council Chambers, City Hall

1. CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Heritage Preservation Commission was held in the City Hall Council Chambers and called to order by Vice Chair Currie at 7:00p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioners

Chairperson Peter Boulay	Present
Commissioner Robert Creager	Absent
Commissioner Richard Currie	Present
Commissioner John Gaspar	Present
Commissioner Frank Gilbertson	Present
Commissioner Leonard Hughes	Present
Commissioner Brenda Rudberg	Present

Staff

Natural Resources Coordinator, Ginny Gaynor	Present
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3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Currie added Agenda Item 5c. Gladstone Redevelopment Meeting and Agenda Item 6b. Parkside Fire Station.

Natural Resources Coordinator, Ginny Gaynor, added Agenda Item 10e. Elections for Chair and Vice Chair in May.

Chair Boulay moved to approve the agenda as amended.

Seconded by Commissioner Gilbertson Ayes – All

The motion passed.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. February 13, 2014 HPC Meeting

Commissioner Currie moved to approve the February 13, 2014 minutes.

Seconded by Commissioner Gilbertson Ayes – All

Abstain – Chair Boulay,
Commissioner Hughes

The motion passed.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Gladstone Phase II Improvements

Kimberly Horn Landscape Architect, Todd H. presented an overview on Gladstone Phase II. Commissioners asked questions and provided input on the Gladstone Phase II Improvements.

b. Subcommittee Reports

- i. Business Award
- ii. Local Designations
- iii. City Minutes

c. Gladstone Redevelopment Meeting

Commissioner Currie presented a summary of the Gladstone Redevelopment Meeting.

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. Historic Context Study

- i. Report on Consultants Meeting with MAHS
- ii. Report on Meeting with Peter Boulay and Consultant
- iii. Update on Progress

b. Parkside Frustration

Commissioner Currie requested staff to investigate whether there are any restrictions on the fire station being sold.

7. VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

a.

8. MAPLEWOOD AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY UPDATE

Bob Jensen updated the commission on the upcoming events that the Maplewood Area Historical Society will be offering.

9. COMMISSION PRESENTATIONS

a. Maplewood Drive-In, Chair Peter Boulay

10. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

- a. Grant for Annual Conference
- b. Throwback Thursday Twitter Postings
- c. Historic Photos from Kohl's
- d. Paperless Meetings
- e. Elections for Chair and Vice Chair in May

11. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Currie moved to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes – All

The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM.

Next meeting is May 8, 2014.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Heritage Preservation Commission

FROM: Ginny Gaynor, Natural Resources Coordinator/HPC Staff Liaison

RE: Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

DATE: May 2, 2014

Introduction

The Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) ordinance requires that the chairperson and the vice-chairperson be elected by the commission at the first meeting in May of each year from among the members of the commission.

The chairperson shall be responsible for calling and presiding over all meetings and shall be entitled to an equal vote with other members of the commission. If the chairperson is unable to attend a meeting, the vice-chairperson shall conduct the meeting.

Recommendation

The Commission should nominate and elect a chairperson and vice chairperson to serve through April 2015.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Heritage Preservation Commission

FROM: Ginny Gaynor, Natural Resources Coordinator/HPC Staff Liaison

RE: Business Award

DATE: May 2, 2014

Introduction

The Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) appointed commissioners Currie and Gaspar to a committee to develop concepts for an annual Heritage Business Award. Commissioners will discuss the award at the May HPC meeting.

Discussion

At the April 10 HPC meeting, commissioners Currie and Gaspar presented some thoughts about the proposed Heritage Business Award. Before having the committee develop criteria for the award, we would like to have another discussion about the pros and cons of having such an award.

Staff has received comments that commissioners should consider in their discussion:

- Too many awards waters down the value.
- Awards should only be given when earned.
- A business heritage award needs to focus on significant contributions to Maplewood history or to preservation of Maplewood history. A beloved mom-and-pop shop probably shouldn't receive a heritage award unless they've made a significant contribution to Maplewood history or preservation.
- The city newsletter, *Maplewood Living*, has been doing articles which recognize local businesses. A recent example is attached (Attachment 1).
- Economic development is an important goal for City Council and Council, staff, and the Housing and Economic Development Commission (HEDC) have a strong focus on local businesses.

Commissioners are asked to address the following: The existing annual Heritage Preservation Award can be awarded to individuals, families, or businesses.

- Why do we need a second award if the existing award can go to businesses?
- What are the pros and cons of having a separate business heritage award?

If commissioners want to pursue the Business Heritage Award, please provide suggestions for criteria for the award.

Recommendation

Commissioners will discuss the pros and cons of having a Business Heritage Award.

Attachments:

1. Article from May 2014 Maplewood Living

Maplewood BUSINESS HIGHLIGHT

Nations Oldest Hockey And Bicycle Shop Celebrate 127 Years In Business



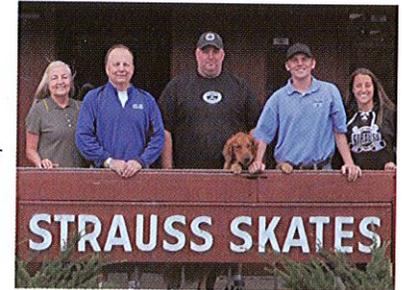
German immigrant John E. Strauss began his business in the 1880's as a safe and lock company. Soon rumors of his skills as a master of steel spread and he began taking requests to both repair bicycles and manufacture light-weight steel racing bikes. One day, a Minneapolis boy said "Mr. Strauss, why don't you begin making skates?"

Strauss said, "This set me to thinking. The bicycle fad was dying out and it kept me busy only during the summer, so I decided to try my hand at wooden-top skates." It was a natural fit as Strauss applied techniques he learned while making swords at an arsenal in Naples, Italy. In 1887, Strauss Skate Shop was founded and became known throughout the world. In 1914 Strauss revolutionized skating when he invented the first closed toe blade made from a single piece of steel making skates stronger and lighter in weight. Sonja Henie won Olympic Gold on Strauss's blades and wrote in a letter to him "I would not even dream of going into the championships unless I was wearing your skates" dated 11-8-1935. Other customers included the Queen of Spain, Olympic speed skaters and hockey teams such as the Chicago Blackhawks, the New York Rangers, the Boston Bruins and the old St. Paul Fighting Saints.

Liz Charbonneau and her husband, Richard, purchased Strauss Skates & Bicycles in 1983 along with their business partner Don Eynck, grandson of founder John E. Strauss.

True to its roots, Strauss Skates & Bicycles remains a local bicycle shop carrying top quality bicycles at prices that are in line with big box retailers, but with the level of service that comes with small business and dedicated employees who want their customers to leave with the right bicycle for their type of riding and a smile on their face. Strauss also specializes in customized bicycles and tricycles for disabled veterans and both adults and children with special needs.

Call (651) 770-1344 or visit the website to learn more.
www.strausskatesandbicycles.com



From left to right- Liz Charbonneau, owner; Bill Rhody, Sales Manager; Steven 'Moose' Youngmans, Shaun Hastings, Purchasing Manager; Jenelle Hastings, Owner. And the dog Boogaard who can be found at the store most anytime of any day



Authentic Mexican Food Truck Is Back In Business



Roberto and his family

Roberto Sanchez started his food business in 1997 in the City of Miami, Florida in a wooden trailer. After a year, he was able to open a restaurant called "La Poblanita" in the City of Homestead, Florida.

After the twin towers collapse in 2001 Roberto's business was struggling. Roberto sold the restaurant and moved to Minnesota. In 2002, he started working at a construction company so he could save money to get back into the food business - which is what he loved. With lots of hard work he was able to open his trailer again in May of 2013 in Maplewood. His business is called "Camila's Taqueria" and they serve authentic Mexican food.

Last summer, they served food to 75 kids in the "Youth Farm" summer program located in St. Paul. "We enjoy helping out the community in any way we can. We also have been serving complimentary food at the Sherwood Park neighborhood party for the past three years. This past year we went to 29 Pines and to Maplewood apartments to serve complimentary food." said Roberto. You will find them at the Maplewood July 4th event this summer as well.

"Camila's Taqueria" is a family business you can reach them at (651) 797-8156.

