



HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION AGENDA

PUBLIC MEETING ROOM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2023

6:00 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Minutes
3. General Heritage Preservation Items
 - A. Citizen Comment Period
 - B. Update on the Mosaic Installation
4. Design Reviews
 - A. 310 Event Center: Alley Patio & Access Door
5. Items for Discussion
 - A. Annual Heritage Preservation Awards
 - B. Stakeholder Engagement Plan
6. Adjournment



HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2023

6:00 PM

Meeting Items

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Heritage Preservation Commission was called to order by Vice Chair Weems at 6:08 p.m. Commissioners: Ron Dwyer, Colton Hogan, Rob Kuhlman, Lee Nordmeyer, David Sauer, and Vice Chair Cori Weems were in attendance at Roll Call. Also in attendance was Community Development Coordinator, Mathias Hughey and Administrative Assistant II, Kari Casper. A motion was made by Lee Nordmeyer, seconded by David Sauer to approve the agenda. The motion passed on a 6/0 vote.

2. Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by David Sauer, seconded by Lee Nordmeyer to approve the meeting minutes. The motion carried on a 6/0 vote.

3. General Heritage Preservation Items

A. Citizen Comment Period

4. Design Reviews

A. 301 & 329 Central Ave Placemaking Project

The board would conditionally approve the installation of the proposed tile mosaics upon finding a new building facade for the mosaic proposed for 301 Central, as long as the new proposed facade was flat brick. The Community Development Coordinator would verify that it met the conditions for this approval.

Motion by Ron Dwyer, seconded by Rob Kuhlman to Approve. Motion passed on 7/0 vote.

B. 122 1st St NE Window Replacement

This is a rather straight forward request.

Motion by Lee Nordmeyer, seconded by Rob Kuhlman to Approve. Motion passed on a 4/0 vote with Dwyer and Hogan recusing themselves.

5. Items for Discussion

A. Resolution on Review of Publicly Funded Projects

Hughey just did a short overview of how he is presenting slight modifications to the ordinances to clarify by resolution.

No action taken at this time.

B. Redrawing Boundaries of Heritage Preservation District

Hughey review the presentation.

No action taken at this time.

C. Historic District Guidelines Revisions

Hughey made his presentation and no action was taken at this time.

6. Adjournment

No motion taken. Meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

By: _____
Kari Casper



Request for Action

TO: Faribault Heritage Preservation
Commission
FROM: Mathias Hughey
THROUGH: Mathias Hughey
MEETING DATE: May 17, 2023
SUBJECT: Update on the Mosaic Installation

BACKGROUND:

At its April, 2023 meeting, the Heritage Preservation Commission issued a conditional approval for the installation of two tile mosaics in the Heritage Preservation District. The Community Development Coordinator worked with the artist to identify acceptable solutions. The artist chose not to appeal the HPC's decision, seeking an alternative solution instead. It was important to the artist that the mosaic be located as close to 301 Central Ave as possible because the scenes depicted on the tiles reflected the history of the building and its occupants, a topic she had done significant research on.

One option being considered was installing the mosaics on a custom stand similar to the Story Walk exhibits. The mosaic would be mounted on posts anchored to the raised curb surrounding one of the planter beds either adjacent to or in front of 301 Central Ave. The additional cost of this solution is prohibitive unless additional funding is secured.

The current proposed solution is that the mosaic will hang in the front window of the building.

REQUESTED ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:



Request for Action

TO: Faribault Heritage Preservation Commission
FROM: Mathias Hughey, Community Development Coordinator
THROUGH: Mathias Hughey, Community Development Coordinator
MEETING DATE: May 17, 2023
SUBJECT: 310 Event Center: Alley Patio & Access Door

BACKGROUND:

A public alley separates the Taran Grocery & Deli building (12 3rd St NW) from the buildings to the east and north, which include 302, 306, and 310 Central Ave. The owner of the 310 Event Center, located at 306 & 310 Central Ave, wants to enter into an agreement with the City of Faribault to use this alley as an outdoor patio for the 310 Event Center.

The alley does not provide access to the buildings located along it, and does not have clearance for a vehicle to pass through.

The patio will be enclosed with a 6' tall black wrought iron fence at either end of the proposed patio. The fence panels will be a temporary installation, capable of being moved into and out of place by service staff.

Of particular concern for the HPC, is the proposed access door, as this will have an impact on the rear-side facade of 310 Central. The building owner is proposing a steel door with full view glass be installed on the south facade of the building. The door and framing will be painted black, and will match the existing door installed on the second level of the adjacent building that provides access to the rooftop patio.

Relevant portions of Design Guidelines:

I.B.1. In Faribault, the buildings are built using common or abutting walls so secondary facades occur either where a two-to-three story building abuts a one-to-two story building or at a corner. These side walls are often visible and function as secondary façades within the downtown. Generally,

a secondary facade will be considered as any facade not facing the street and not having the ornamentation and higher quality materials associated with primary/street facades.

I.B.2. Where visible from the public right-of-way, secondary facades should be treated in the same manner as primary façades. The material and design of the secondary façade may differ from the primary façade but should be respected and retained.

I.B.3. Where buildings are built on an alley, walkway or other public right-of-way, the installation of pedestrian-oriented elements such as windows or entries should be considered to help activate the street level and articulate the facade.

I.C.1. Rear facades on buildings typically face an alley or the rear of another building. Changes to these areas will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

I.C.2. Entrances on the rear should clearly be secondary entrances and the design should avoid a false historicism. The entrances should be transparent, promoting visibility from inside and outside.

II.B.1.b. New window and door openings should not be introduced into the primary elevation(s).

II.B.1.d. Constructing new openings may be permissible on secondary facades if the opening follows the same proportions of adjacent windows.

REQUESTED ACTION:

The Community Development Coordinator requests that the Heritage Preservation Commission consider a motion to approve the proposed door.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Alley Door Location1
2. Alley Door Location2
3. Alley Door1
4. Alley Door2
5. Alley Patio Proposal No Garage Door





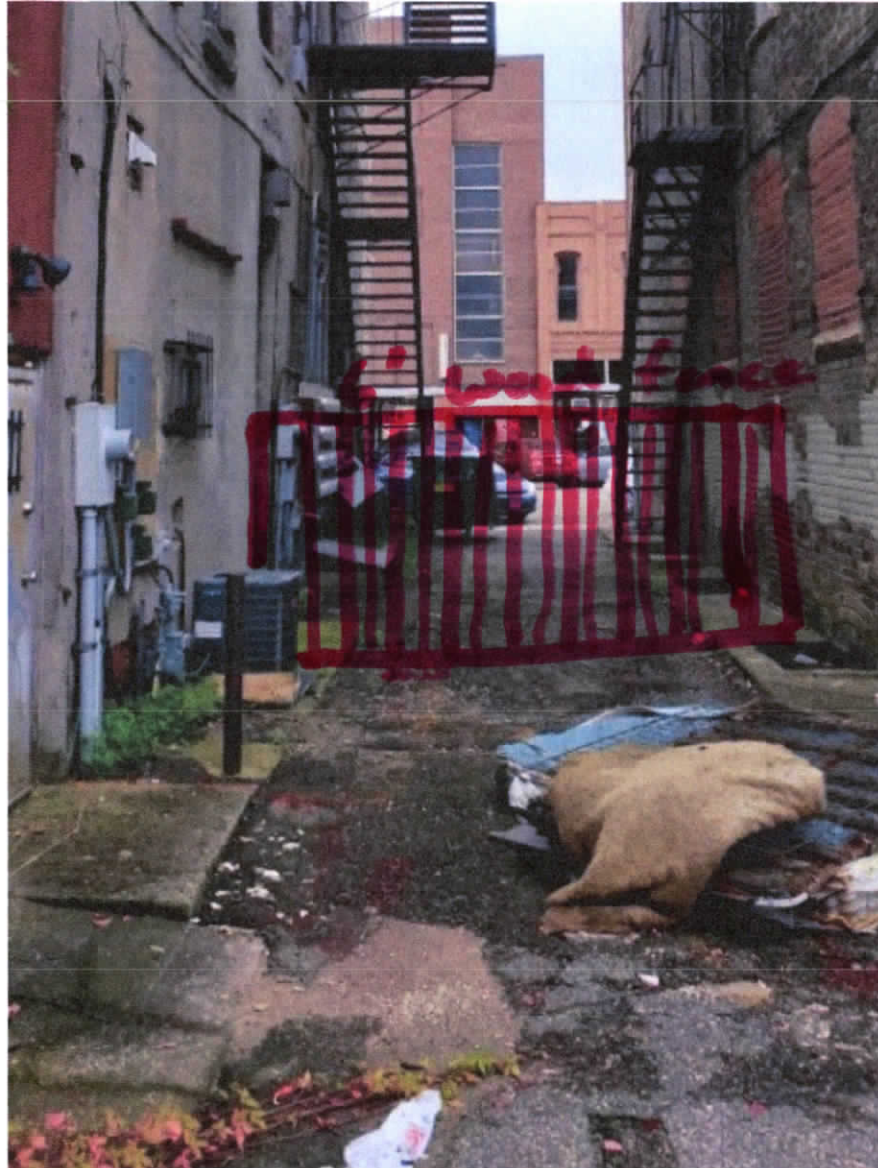






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Request for Action

TO: Faribault Heritage Preservation Commission
FROM: Mathias Hughey, Community Development Coordinator
THROUGH: Mathias Hughey, Community Development Coordinator
MEETING DATE: May 17, 2023
SUBJECT: Annual Heritage Preservation Awards

BACKGROUND:

The HPC has occasionally issued awards for heritage preservation efforts within the city. Most recently, awards have been announced at the Heritage Days festival, though an official awards program has not been established. Last year, the Bachrach Building was awarded for outstanding restoration and preservation. The owner of the building has been presented with a bronze plaque to commemorate the award.

Attached are the most recent draft guidelines for an awards program and a photo of two types of plaques that have been issued by the HPC in the past. The commission is not required to issue awards. However, the Community Development Coordinator recommends that a consistent awards program be established to encourage and acknowledge efforts to preserve, protect, restore, document, or otherwise promote the history of Faribault.

With no established guidelines for issuing awards, a discussion about the appropriate criteria and types or categories of awards may be necessary. Recognize that this discussion could continue throughout the year and a more formalized process could be established and refined in the future. Discussion at the May 17, 2023 meeting should focus on issuing awards this year. The Community Development Coordinator recommends that awardees receive a plaque consistent with previous awards. If awards beyond an "Outstanding Achievement" award are issued, there is no precedent award to duplicate, and the HPC should provide direction on the form those awards should take.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Nominate properties, projects and/or people for awards, discuss the merits of nominees, and hold a voice vote on awards to be issued this year.

Provide direction to the Community Development Coordinator on the form of awards to be issued.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2016 Guidelines
2. Types of Plaques with Notes

FARIBAULT PRESERVATION AWARDS PROGRAM

The Faribault Preservation Awards recognize significant contributions to the preservation and enhancement of historic resources within the City of Faribault. Projects completed within the last three (3) years are eligible for an Award. Nominations are received by the Faribault Preservation Awards Committee, comprised of members of the Faribault Heritage Preservation Commission, Faribault Main Street and Rice County Historical Society.

AWARD CATEGORIES

<i>Outstanding Achievement</i>	This award recognizes exemplary accomplishments in historic building rehabilitation or restoration. Awards in this category are given for complex or large-scale projects. Successful projects in this category will: 1) Preserve the exterior historic integrity of a building by retaining a building's significant portions and features through repairs and sensitive alterations (including compatible additions), while making possible an efficient contemporary use; AND/OR 2) Restore a building's exterior to its original appearance based on historical or physical evidence (authentic interior rehabilitation or restoration is not necessary, but could weigh heavily in decisions to give this award.) 3) Be located within the local Downtown Commercial Historic District, the downtown National Register Historic District and/or individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places.
<i>Distinguished Merit</i>	This award recognizes preservation improvements made to historic buildings that contribute to Faribault's heritage. Awards in this category are given for simpler, smaller-scale projects, and do not require extensive restoration or rehabilitation work. Projects in this category can be located anywhere within the City-limits of Faribault, but buildings must be over fifty years old to qualify. Buildings can be commercial, industrial, residential or institutional in nature.
<i>Stewardship</i>	This award recognizes property owners for their long-term care, maintenance, stabilization, or protection of a contributing historic building. Eligible properties must be located within the local Downtown Commercial Historic District, the downtown National Register Historic District and/or individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places..
<i>Outstanding Signage</i>	This award recognizes accomplishments in historic building signage. Awards in this category are given for building signage (including awnings) located within the Downtown Sign District. Criteria include compliance with the Downtown Sign District Ordinance, creativity and compatibility with the building.
<i>Preservation Advocacy</i>	This award recognizes a person from our community who has dedicated substantial time and effort to historic preservation and impacted preservation efforts in the City of Faribault. This person has had significant and sustained accomplishments related to the preservation of our community's historic, architectural and cultural heritage, which may include: the restoration of historic buildings; the designation of historic properties; leadership or significant contribution to a community-based preservation organization; a sustained record of leadership or, or contributions to, historic preservation; or a significant accomplishment that advances the preservation ethic within Faribault.

2016 FARIBAULT PRESERVATION AWARDS

DEADLINE: Friday, April 22, 2016 Only completed nominations, submitted/postmarked by the deadline will be considered.

Decisions of the Awards Committee will be based on the contributions of the project to the architectural, historical and cultural character of the community. The project's compliance with the City of Faribault Commercial Historic District Design Guidelines and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Treatment of Historic Properties will also be considered. For more information or to download a nomination form, please visit: www.faribault.org or contact Kim Clausen, Community Development Coordinator, at 507.333.0375 or kclausen@ci.faribault.mn.us.

- Projects must be completely finished. Only projects completed within the last three (3) years will be considered.
- Projects must be in compliance with the City of Faribault Commercial Historic District Design Guidelines.
- Projects nominated for the Outstanding Achievement Award or the Stewardship Award must be located within the local Downtown Commercial Historic District, the Downtown National Register Historic District and/or be individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places.
- Nominees can include individuals, non-profit or for-profit organizations or government agencies.
- Projects nominated for the Distinguished Merit award must be at least 50 years old and located within the City limits of Faribault.
- Persons nominated for the Advocacy Award must live, work or own property within Rice County.

NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS (only complete nominations will be considered):

- ☐ Completed nomination form. Please type or print clearly in ink.
- ☐ Brief project description, limited to no more than one (1) page. If nominating a project building, include information on the building's history, architectural style, date of construction, details about the rehabilitation and/or restoration work, and the names of architects, contractors, or other design professionals involved with the project. Also list any grants or tax incentives used to help make the project possible. If nominating a person or group for the Stewardship or Advocacy Award, please provide an overview of all the nominee has accomplished in the field of historic preservation, with specific examples of their contribution to preserving Faribault's history.
- ☐ At least two (2) color photographs of the project. Photographs must be submitted with the nomination form. If using digital photography, images should be in .jpg format, have a resolution of 300 dpi, and should be burned to a CD/flash drive and submitted along with the nomination form, or emailed along with the nomination form. Ideally, nominations should include two (2) "before" photos of the project, two (2) "after" photos of the project, one (1) historical image, two (2) close-ups of the architectural details and two (2) photos of the interior.

Nomination materials may be submitted electronically or in hard copy. Awards will be formally presented at the City Council meeting on May 24, 2016 to coincide with National Preservation Month.

Nominators and award winners will be notified the first week of May 2016.

2016 FARIBAULT PRESERVATION AWARDS

The purpose of this annual awards program is to recognize significant historic preservation projects and contributions to the protection and enhancement of Faribault's historic resources. These awards provide positive reinforcement of the Downtown Historic Commercial District Design Review process, promote goodwill within the community and acknowledge the hard work and dedication of local citizens.

Award Categories

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Award Criteria

- In addition to the description provided in each award category, decisions will be based on how well a project contributes to the historic, architectural and cultural character of Faribault. Projects that go “above and beyond” the basic recommendations of the Historic Preservation Commission and the City of Faribault Commercial Historic District Design Guidelines will be given preference in award decisions.
- Projects should also comply with The Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.
- The preservation, rehabilitation, restoration or signage project for which the property is nominated must have occurred within the past three years.
- Nominations submitted in previous years that were not selected to receive an award may be revised, expanded and/or resubmitted.
- Nominations for individuals or organizations may be made without the knowledge of the nominee. However, nominations for building projects must have the consent of the property owner for the purposes of nomination. Self-nominations will be accepted.
- HPC members and staff are not eligible to receive a Preservation Award for individual achievement during the period of their active service.

Nomination Process

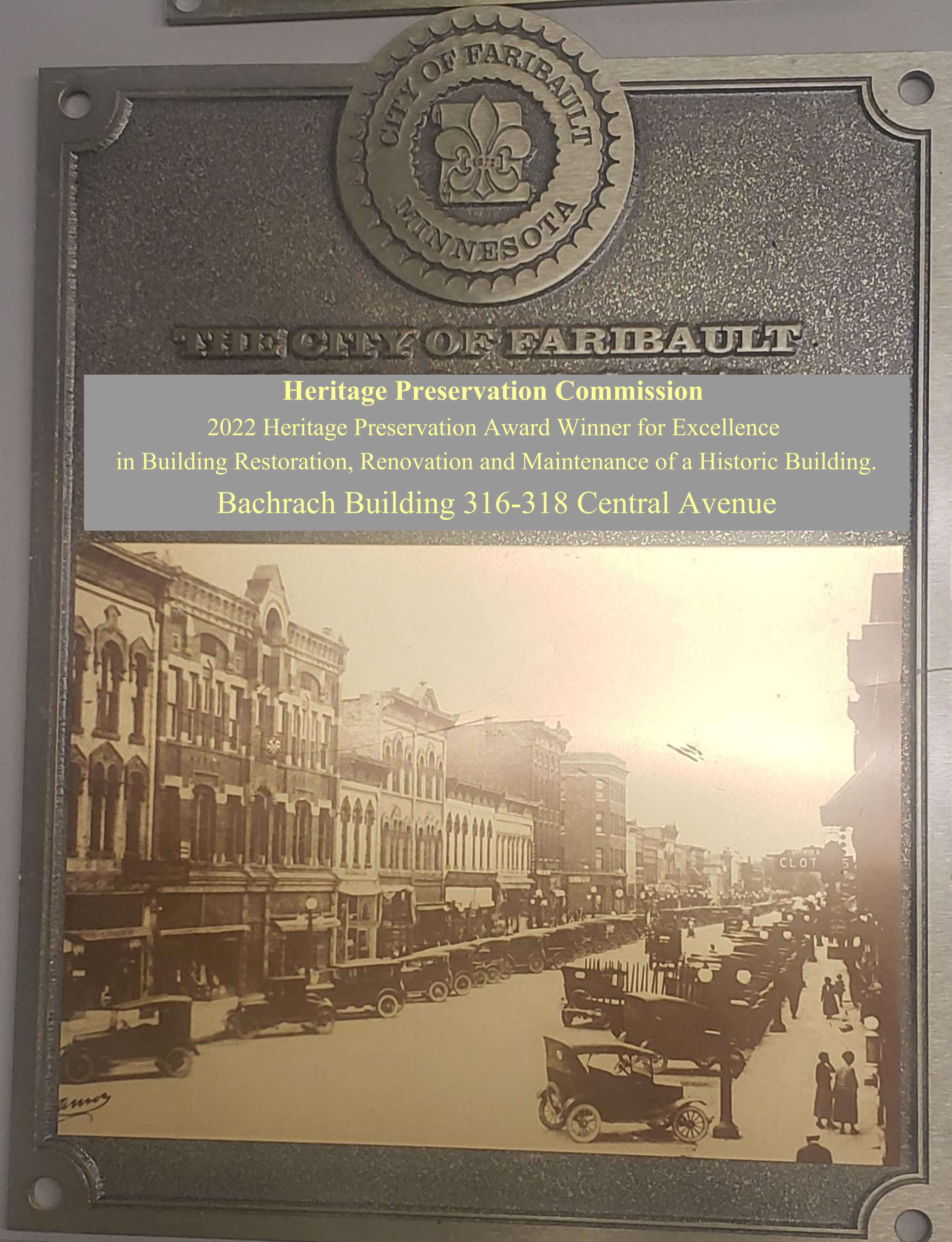
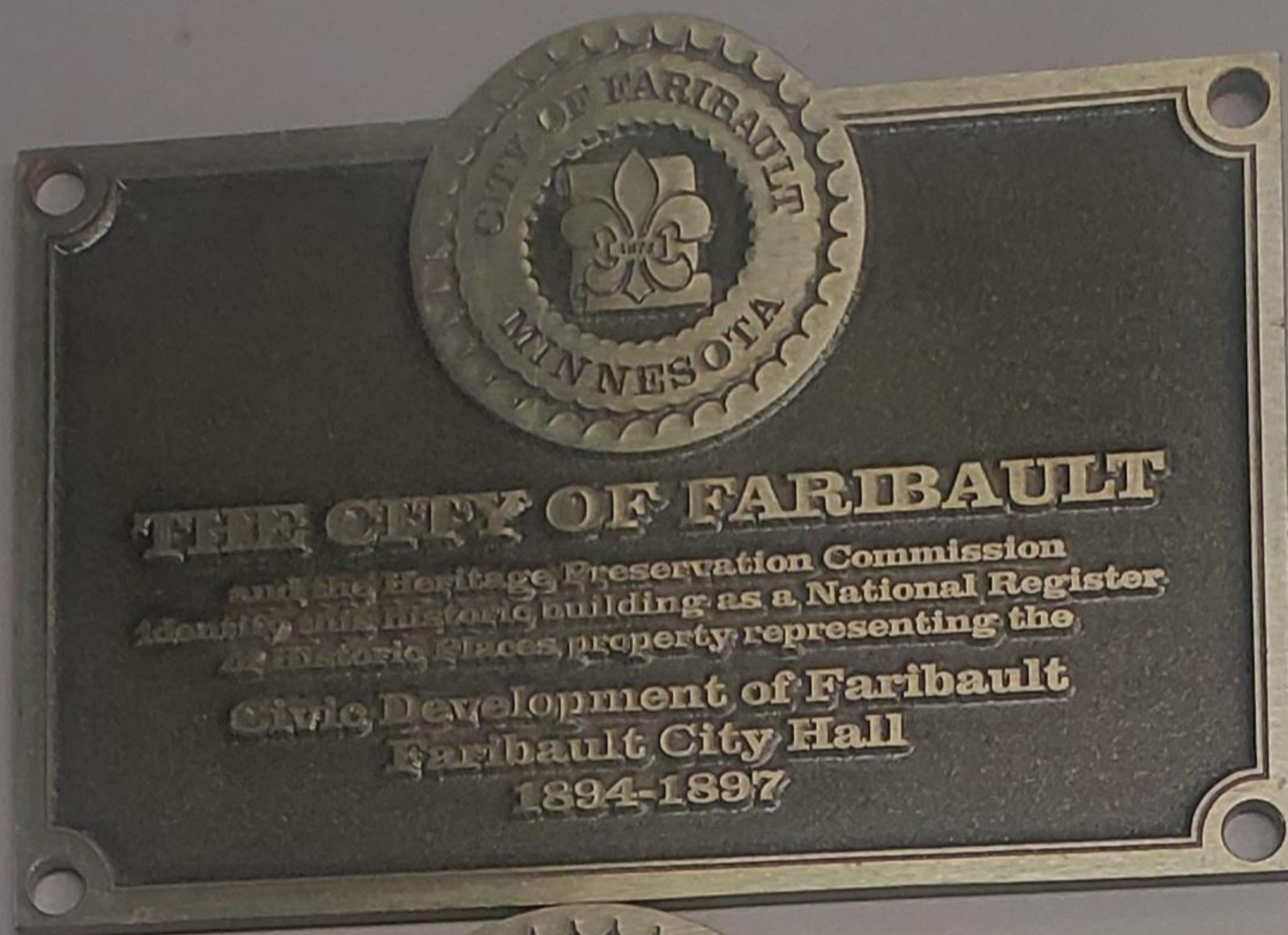
Nominations will be solicited from January through April with awards being presented in May, which is National Historic Preservation Month. Nominations will be solicited from the public through various means of mass-media communication (City website, press release, newspaper, e-mails, etc.) Members of the HPC are able to submit nominations, except for those HPC members elected to serve on the Preservation Awards Committee. A one-page form will be required for submission of an official nomination. Completed nominations will be submitted to the Preservation Awards Committee, in care of the Community Development Coordinator.

Judging Committee and Process

The Preservation Awards Committee will consist of five (5) members: three (3) members from the Historic Preservation Commission, one (1) member from the Rice County Historical Society and one (1) member from the Faribault Main Street Program. The number of award winners will be dependent on the number and quality of the nominations received. Each category may have multiple award recipients. Similarly, a category may not have any award recipients if no suitable nominations are submitted for that category, or there are no nominations that meet the category criteria.

Award Type and Presentation

An official award plaque will be given to each award winner. An awards reception and presentation will take place during one of the May Faribault City Council meetings, since May is National Historic Preservation Month.





Request for Action

TO: Faribault Heritage Preservation Commission
FROM: Mathias Hughey, Community Development Coordinator
THROUGH: Mathias Hughey, Community Development Coordinator
MEETING DATE: May 17, 2023
SUBJECT: Stakeholder Engagement Plan

BACKGROUND:

Earlier this year, the Heritage Preservation Commission discussed and recommended that properties in the recently expanded National Historic District be incorporated into the City's Heritage Preservation District. In response, City Council raised several questions, and directed that any adjustment proposal include feedback from affected property owners. The HPC also recommended that the Downtown Historic District Design Guidelines be reviewed and potentially updated. The direction from City Council on this proposal was similar, requesting that stakeholder engagement be conducted so that any proposed changes are informed by public experience.

The Community Development Coordinator proposes the following engagement strategy:

- The attached letters will be sent to affected or potentially affected property owners. A separate letter for each proposal.
 - The letters will be sent to the listed owners of affected properties for the boundary expansion.
 - A city staff person will also visit each building to attempt to contact the owner, and leave a copy of the letter.
- A virtual survey will be created to solicit feedback for each proposal.
 - A link to the survey will be included in the letter.
- An "open house" in-person meeting will be held to discuss both proposals, including concerns, questions, and suggestions.

- The proposed open house will take place in the evening on a weekday.
- Invitations and advertisements will be sent directly via mail to building owners, and communicated through the chamber of commerce and downtown group.
- Any proposed changes from the HPC should be available for discussion at this meeting.

The City Council also raised the question of the appropriateness of the southern boundary of the Heritage Preservation District, which incorporates multiple non-contributing properties, and residential properties. The Design Guidelines do not address these residential properties, though the ordinance does reference the standards set by the Department of the Interior in guiding decisions by the HPC. In the past there have been discussions about creating design guidelines for residential properties. That proposal was tabled. The City Council will want an explanation why certain properties have been added, while others were not removed.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Review the attached survey/interview questions and letters. Provide feedback and direction to the Community Development Coordinator on the questions, engagement plan, and timeline for the plan.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Property Owner Letter Draft
2. Design Survey Questions
3. Guidelines Letter Draft
4. Boundary Survey Questions



[Name]

XXX Central Ave
Faribault, MN 55021

3/21/2023

Dear Downtown Property Owner,

I am contacting you today because your building is in the National Historic Register District but not the City of Faribault's Heritage Preservation District. The City Council and the Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) are investigating adjusting the local Heritage Preservation District to include the rest of the National District, and would like to hear from affected building owners.

We've put together a short survey which can be accessed here: **(LINK)**

More than 40 years ago, Faribault became one of the first cities in the state to take steps to protect its historic downtown. By establishing a Heritage Preservation District and HPC the property owners downtown have been able to access expertise, special funding, and awards for the preservation and restoration of their buildings. They can also rest assured that the district will retain its historic character.

Last year, the U.S. Park Service approved an expansion of the National Register District, making Faribault's historic district the largest in the state outside of Saint Paul. The application process began nearly ten years ago, and included extensive documentation of the buildings downtown. Residents, business owners, and customers all cite the historic character of downtown Faribault as a unique and appealing reason to locate downtown. This level of preservation could not have been achieved without the efforts of the Heritage Preservation Commission and the district they oversee.

If you'd like to have a conversation about the Heritage Preservation District/Commission/Guidelines, the proposed expansion, the National Historic Register District, or any other related topics, I can be reached at mhughey@ci.faribault.mn.us or 507.209.0100 or at Faribault City Hall.

Sincerely,

Mathias Hughey
Community Development Coordinator
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mhughey@ci.faribault.mn.us
208 NW 1st St, Faribault, MN 55021

Design Guidelines Survey/Questions

1. What is your connection to downtown Faribault?
 - a. Former/current building owner
 - b. Current business owner
 - c. Contractor/builder
 - d. Resident
 - e. Former HPC Commissioner
 - f. Other (describe)
2. How important is the preservation of Faribault's historic buildings to the downtown?
 - a. 1 – not at all important
 - b. 2 – not very important
 - c. 3 – somewhat important
 - d. 4 – important
 - e. 5 – very important
3. To what extent would you agree with the following statement: preserving Faribault's historic downtown is an important part of what makes Faribault unique.
 - a. 1 – disagree
 - b. 2 – somewhat disagree
 - c. 3 – neither agree nor disagree
 - d. 4 – somewhat agree
 - e. 5 – strongly agree
4. Have you participated in the review process or been required to get a Certificate of Appropriateness?
 - a. Yes – reviewed
 - b. Yes – applied for
 - c. No
5. If "Yes" to Q2, then: overall, how would you rate the process on:
 - a. Effectiveness?
 - i. 1 – 5
 - b. Clarity?
 - i. 1 – 5
 - c. Ease?
 - i. 1-5
6. How familiar are you with the Downtown design guidelines?
 - a. 1 – never heard of them
 - b. 2 – heard of them, don't know what's in it
 - c. 3 – Looked it over once or twice
 - d. 4 – sort of know what's in there
 - e. 5 – very familiar
7. How familiar are you with the Heritage Preservation Commission Design Review Process?
 - a. 1 – never heard of it
 - b. 2 – heard of them, don't know what's involved
 - c. 3 – Looked into it once or twice
 - d. 4 – sort of know how it goes or who to contact

- e. 5 – have gone through the process multiple times
- 8. 3. Have the guidelines ever prevented, delayed, or discouraged you from making improvements or repairs to your building?
 - a. y/n
- 9. If yes, specifically what area(s) of the guidelines have been problematic? and what projects have been affected?
 - a.
- 10. 4. Has the HPC Review Process ever prevented, delayed, or discouraged you from making improvements or repairs to your property?
 - a. y/n
- 11. If yes, specifically, what aspects of the process have had this effect and what projects have been affected?
 - a.
- 12. 5. Do you have any suggestions for improving the Design Review Process?
 - a.
- 13. 6. Do you have any suggestions for improving the Downtown Design Guidelines?
 - a.



[Name]
XXX Central Ave
Faribault, MN 55021

Re: Revising the Historic District Design Guidelines

3/21/2023

Dear Downtown Stakeholder,

I am contacting you today because you own, lease, or have worked on a project in the City of Faribault's Heritage Preservation District. The City Council and Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) are exploring revising the Downtown Historic District Design Guidelines and would like to hear from affected building owners.

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Boundary Expansion Survey/Questions

1. How important is the preservation of Faribault's historic buildings to the downtown?
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 - c. 3 – somewhat important
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2. To what extent would you agree with the following statement: Faribault's historic downtown is an important part of what makes Faribault unique.
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5. Properties in the Heritage Preservation District are required to have certain projects that affect the exterior appearance of their building reviewed by the Heritage Preservation Commission. Would such a requirement prevent, or discouraged you from making improvements or repairs to your building?
 - a. y/n
6. If yes, specifically what would your concerns be?
 - a.
7. How interested would you be in adding your property to the Heritage Preservation district (there is no fee)?
 - a. 1 – not at all interested
 - b. 2 – not very interested
 - c. 3 – somewhat interested
 - d. 4 – interested
 - e. 5 – very interested
8. Which of the following benefits of being within the Heritage Preservation District appeal to you?

- a. Expert suggestions and advice from HPC members on projects
- b. Illustrated guidelines for restoration or construction projects
- c. Access to funding including grants, low-interest loans, or forgivable loans
- d. City Staff assistance with the approval process
- e. Assistance in ensuring that projects will qualify for tax credits
- f. Continued historic appearance of downtown buildings
- g. Other
 - i. Please list