



HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION AGENDA

3RD FLOOR CONFERENCE
ROOM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2026

6:00 PM

1. Call to Order/ Approve Agenda
2. Approval of the Minutes
3. General Heritage Preservation Items
 - A. Citizen Comment Period
4. Design Reviews - NONE
5. Items for Discussion
 - A. 2026 Preservation Awards
 - i Submittals for Outstanding Achievement
 - McMahon House Porch Restoration
 - 225 Central Ave Restoration
 - ii Submittals for Stewardship
 - Beckmann Family (McMahon House)
6. Adjournment



HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

3RD FLOOR
CONFERENCE ROOM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2026

6:00 PM

Meeting Items

1. Call to Order/ Approve Agenda

A regular meeting of the Heritage Preservation Commission was called to order by Chair Colton Hogan at 6:02 p.m. The Commissioners in attendance were Ron Dwyer, David Sauer, Cori Weems, and Chair Hogan. Also in attendance was Harry Davis, IV, City Planning Manager and Kari Casper, Administrative Assistant II. Special guest is Trevor Morris, the applicant for

Motion by Cori Weems, seconded by Ron Dwyer to Approve. Motion Passed.

2. Election of Officers

David Sauer made a motion, seconded by Cori Weems to nominate Colton Hogan for a second term as Chair. Colton Hogan accepted. Motion passed on a 4/0 vote. Colton Hogan then nominated Cori Weems as Vice Chair. David Sauer made a motion, seconded by Colton Hogan to have Cori Weems serve her second term as Vice Chair. She accepted the position and the motion passed on a 4/0 vote.

3. Approval of the Minutes of January 21, 2026, Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting

Motion by Cori Weems, seconded by Ron Dwyer to approve the minutes of January 21, 2026 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

4. General Heritage Preservation Items

None.

A. Citizen Comment Period

None.

5. Design Reviews

A. Resolution HPC-2026-001 Approve a COA for 14 3rd St NE

Davis did state that this project was discussed at the January meeting. Trevor Morris of Third Street Ventures (Applicant/Property Owner) submitted a COA application to replace three windows on the backside of the building at 14 3rd ST NE. The property is within the Heritage Preservation District and zoned CBD. Staff reviewed the project and

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the Commercial District Design Guidelines and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and determined that the windows are compatible and respectful to the building's character and craftsmanship. Staff recommends in favor of the project as requested. Please see the attached resolution for a full list of criteria and findings. Mr. Morris came forward and explained all the improvements that would be made, including adding an elevator. They are hoping to get this started in September of this year. After some discussion, a motion was made by David Sauer, seconded by Cori Weems to approve Resolution HPC-2026-001 Approve a COA for 14 3rd St NE as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Items for Discussion

A. Review of the HPC Bylaws

Members had some concerns about some of the members' attendance. Davis explained the attendance policy. The board asked staff to reach out to some members that are on the board but haven't attended for quite some time. There were concerns about making a quorum. Davis said that we currently have a full HPC and the only person that did respond to the emails was Susan Powell. There have been several meetings that have been canceled in recent months. The board asked if there were no items on the agenda, that they still get together to do some work. The board also asked if it would be good to bring on more members. Davis looked up the bylaws, and they could have up to 7 to 15 members. Since a quorum consists of a majority, adding members would not really alleviate the issue. The board decided that they would appreciate moving the review of the Bylaws to the next meeting since there are a few members missing.

Ron Dwyer talked about the stone house tours for Heritage Days.

There was some discussion about the website — staff will check on this.

7. Adjournment

Motion by David Sauer, seconded by Cori Weems to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

By: _____



Request for Action

TO: Faribault Heritage Preservation Commission
FROM: Harry Davis, City Planning Manager
THROUGH:
MEETING DATE: May 13, 2026
SUBJECT: 2026 Preservation Awards

BACKGROUND:

City staff received submittals for Heritage Preservation Awards. Please see the agenda sub-items to view the submittals.

HPC may choose to present the awards during Heritage Days (June 11th - 13th) or at a City Council meeting (likely May 19th).

REQUESTED ACTION:

Review the submittals and make motions to decide on a winner in each category.

Make a motion on when to present award(s) to winners (Heritage Days or City Council meeting).

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2026 HPC Award Guidelines

FARIBAULT PRESERVATION AWARDS PROGRAM

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AWARD CATEGORIES

<i>Outstanding Achievement</i>	<p>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:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">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/OR2) 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>	<p>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.</p>
<i>Stewardship</i>	<p>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.</p>
<i>Outstanding Signage</i>	<p>This award recognizes accomplishments in historic building signage. Awards in this category is 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.</p>
<i>Preservation Advocacy</i>	<p>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 contributions to historic preservation; or a significant accomplishment that advances the preservation ethic within Faribault.</p>

2026 FARIBAULT PRESERVATION AWARDS

DEADLINE: Friday, April 30, 2026 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.ci.faribault.mn.us or contact Harry Davis, City Planning Manager, at 507.333.0388 or hdavis@faribaultmn.gov.

- 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 either:

- Faribault Heritage Days, normally held during the summer of every year; or

- City Council meeting in June 2026.

Nominators and award winners will be notified in May 2026.

2026 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

Outstanding Achievement: 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: 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 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.) Projects 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.

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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 early 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 City Planning Manager.

Judging Committee and Process

The Preservation Awards Committee will consist of the Heritage Preservation Commission. 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: Harry Davis, City Planning Manager
THROUGH:
MEETING DATE: May 13, 2026
SUBJECT: Submittals for Outstanding Achievement

BACKGROUND:

Please review the two submittals:

- McMahon House Front Porch Restoration
- 225 Central Ave Restoration

The HPC may decide on the winner for this category.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Discuss and choose one of the submittals for an Outstanding Achievement award.

ATTACHMENTS:

From: noreply@civicplus.com
To: [Harry Davis](#)
Subject: Online Form Submittal: Faribault Preservation Awards Nomination Form
Date: Friday, April 17, 2026 9:56:53 AM

Faribault Preservation Awards Nomination Form

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Category of Award Nomination	Outstanding Achievement
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Project Building, Person or Group Being Nominated:	Front porch restoration, Thomas and Bridget Shanahan McMahon house
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If a project, the date it began:	June, 2021
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Date completed:	July, 2023
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Person Submitting This Nomination:

First Name	Sarah
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Last Name	Beckmann
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Address	214 11th Ave. NE
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City	Faribault
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State	MN
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Zip	55021
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Email	sallym.beckmann@gmail.com
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Phone	5072107276
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Project Building, Person or Group Being Nominated:

First Name	Thomas and Bridget
Last Name	McMahon house
Address	603 E. Division St.
City	Faribault
State	MN
Zip	55021
Email	sallym.beckmann@gmail.com
Phone	5072107276

If a Project Building, Owner's Information:

First Name	David and Sarah
Last Name	Beckmann
Address	214 11th Ave. NE
City	Faribault
State	MN
Zip	55021
Email	sallym.beckmann@gmail.com
Phone	5072107276

Please attach a consent letter from the owner of the project in which you're nominating.	<i>Field not completed.</i>
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Brief Project/Overview Description

Please attach a 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.

Brief Project/Overview [frontporch.jpg](#)
Description

Photo Attachments

Please attach at least two (2) color photographs of the project. Images should be in .jpg format, and have a resolution of 300 dpi. 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.

Photo Attachments [detail.JPG](#)

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This nomination for Outstanding Achievement is for our front porch restoration of the Thomas and Bridget Shanahan McMahon house at 603 E. Division St., Faribault. My husband and I are the owners of the home.

The house was built in 1970-71 by Thomas McMahon, a local quarry owner. It was listed on the National Register of Historic APlaces on July 19, 1990, for its vernacular limestone architecture.

Please see the attached historic photograph of the magnificent original porch. It was removed in about 1940 due to deterioration. The front door was not easily usable in bad weather as a result.

We recently rebuilt the porch, duplicating the original features as much as possible. Our contractor was Orland Anderka of Anderka Construction. We replaced the cracked and crumbling walkways in the front and back of the house with pavers. We funded the project ourselves and did not receive any outside funding or tax rebate.

We often hear from neighbors near and far about how pleasant it is to walk by this piece of living history and see how well it is maintained. Many have memories of relatives for whom the house has special significance.

David and Sarah Beckmann









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Request for Action

TO: Faribault Heritage Preservation Commission
FROM:
THROUGH:
MEETING DATE: May 13, 2026
SUBJECT: 225 Central Ave Restoration

BACKGROUND:

REQUESTED ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 225 Central Ave Restoration Submittal

From: noreply@civicplus.com
To: [Harry Davis](#)
Subject: Online Form Submittal: Faribault Preservation Awards Nomination Form
Date: Monday, January 19, 2026 1:56:20 PM

Faribault Preservation Awards Nomination Form

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Category of Award
Nomination

Outstanding Achievement

Project Building,
Person or Group Being
Nominated:

Matt Ristrom, Ristrom Amplifiers, 225 Central Ave N

If a project, the date it
began:

Jan 10, 2022

Date completed:

Jan 1, 2024

Person Submitting This Nomination:

First Name

Matt

Last Name

Ristrom

Address

225 Central Ave N

City

Faribault

State

MN

Zip

55021

Email

matt@ristromamplifiers.com

Phone

9136695169

Project Building, Person or Group Being Nominated:

First Name	Matt
Last Name	Ristrom
Address	225 Central Ave N
City	Faribault
State	MN
Zip	55021
Email	matt@ristromamplifiers.com
Phone	9136695169

If a Project Building, Owner's Information:

First Name	Matt
Last Name	Ristrom
Address	225 Central Ave N
City	Faribault
State	MN
Zip	55021
Email	matt@ristromamplifiers.com
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Please attach a [Preservation award permission .docx](#) consent letter from the owner of the project in which you're nominating.

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Description

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Photo Attachments [IMG_4083.JPG](#)

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City of Faribault,

I purchased the 225 Central Ave N building in January of 2022. Upon taking ownership, the building was a disaster. Major damage on all interior walls on both floors, plumbing leaks and frozen pipes in both second floor spaces, missing plumbing fixtures, unterminated electrical wires, etc. Water was entering the second-floor ceiling from a badly deteriorated roof, and the 60-year-old second floor plumbing was leaking into the retail space. No repairs or maintenance had ever been done on the basement foundation or the brick work on the front and rear face of the building. The previous owners had vented the main floor furnace into a chimney that was capped and didn't have any sleeve to protect the chimney from corrosive gas. The building was in rough shape.

My first course of action as the new owner was to make the retail space viable:

- Repair all walls, floor and ceiling
- Paint
- Repair water damage and missing floorboards
- Repair electrical and plumbing on first floor
- Replace missing plumbing and electrical fixtures

Once the previous tenants were out and I had access to the second floor:

- New fixtures and marble floors in both bathrooms
- New counters, cabinets, fixtures and marble floors in kitchens
- New appliances on all three floors
- Repair and paint all walls, floor and ceilings
- Full restoration of both second-floor apartments

Summer 2023:

- Tuckpoint front and back and all chimneys
- New roof
- Refurbish and repaint window pediments
- Relocate main furnace vent
- Complete rehab of entire second floor

Winter 2023/Summer 2024:

- Complete refurb of the basement foundation
- Support floor of retail – replace all missing support posts and beams
- New deck, garden and entertainment space behind building

My building has been fully refurbished in the three years I have owned it. I do not have any outstanding work or unperformed maintenance. As the sole occupant and owner of the property I have been able to perform all of the work myself with the exception of the new roof. My only continuing project is restoring the buildings front to the original brick. Each season I remove old paint and repoint and mortar wash the newly exposed brick.

I have received zero funds from grants, the city, etc. I have funded everything myself and performed most of the work without help.

Matt Ristrom





Request for Action

TO: Faribault Heritage Preservation Commission
FROM: Harry Davis, City Planning Manager
THROUGH:
MEETING DATE: May 13, 2026
SUBJECT: Submittals for Stewardship

BACKGROUND:

Please review the submittal:

- Beckmann Stewardship of McMahon House

The HPC may decide on the winner for this category.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Discuss and choose the submittal for an Outstanding Achievement award.

ATTACHMENTS:



Request for Action

TO: Faribault Heritage Preservation Commission
FROM:
THROUGH:
MEETING DATE: May 13, 2026
SUBJECT: Beckmann Family (McMahon House)

BACKGROUND:

REQUESTED ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Beckmann Stewardship McMahon House Submittal

From: noreply@civicplus.com
To: [Harry Davis](#)
Subject: Online Form Submittal: Faribault Preservation Awards Nomination Form
Date: Sunday, April 5, 2026 3:15:22 PM

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Category of Award
Nomination

Stewardship

Project Building,
Person or Group Being
Nominated:

David and Sarah Beckmann

If a project, the date it
began:

Field not completed.

Date completed:

Field not completed.

Person Submitting This Nomination:

First Name

Sarah

Last Name

Beckmann

Address

214 11th Ave. NE

City

Faribault

State

MN

Zip

55021

Email

sallym.beckmann@gmail.com

Phone

5072107276

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Last Name	Beckmann
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City	Faribault
State	MN
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First Name	David and Sarah
Last Name	Beckmann
Address	214 11th Ave. NE
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Photo Attachments [oldstonehouse.jpg](#)

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Faribault Preservation Awards Program Nomination

I am nominating my husband and myself, David and Sarah Beckmann, for a stewardship award. We are the owners of the Thomas and Bridget Shanahan McMahon house at 603 E. Division St., Faribault. The house is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Thomas Shanahan built the house in 1871 using limestone from a local quarry. It is a fine example of a vernacular limestone structure of the common man. Existing modest houses of this type are rare. Solid construction and quality tuck-pointing have helped the house to weather its 150-plus years, but it was in need of maintenance and updates when we purchased it in the year 2000.

Since then, we have meticulously maintained, restored, and upgraded the structure to bring it into its third century. To wit:

- We have replaced all of the windows with energy efficient double hung windows of identical size to the original
- We removed carpeting from the upper floor and refinished the original fir (?) flooring underneath
- We added ductwork and central air conditioning to optimize comfort in all seasons
- We remodeled the upstairs full bath, replacing aging linoleum with tile for the flooring, tub and shower surround and wainscotting
- We replaced aging asphalt shingles with cedar shakes, replicating the original
- In July, 2023 we completed the addition of the front porch, re-creating the original porch, which was lost in 1940, as much as possible.

While we continue to preserve this historic structure, we are planning for internal remodeling projects to enhance livability, including remodeling the kitchen and basement laundry room/half bath.





