

Minutes
CITY OF MAPLEWOOD HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Thursday, September 18, 2025

7:00PM

City Council Chambers, Maplewood City Hall

A. ROLL CALL

(This meeting occurred a week later than normal to avoid a quorum conflict with Preserve MN)

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Update on parcel designate
 - KSTP Building
 - Forest Lawn Memorial Park Mausoleum
2. Demo Permits
3. Preserve MN Conference review
4. Review Annual SHPO report
5. Review two 1980 Maplewood in Motion editions
6. Maplewood Area Historical Society Update

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Mapping Potentially Historic Structures

F. VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

none

G. ADJOURNMENT

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Thursday, July 10, 2025

7:00PM

City Council Chambers, Maplewood City Hall

A. ROLL CALL

Present: Cardinal, Currie, Gaspar, Koski, Reese

Absent: Hughes

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

--Gaspar motions; Currie 2nd

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. June 12, 2025

--Koski motions; Gaspar 2nd

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Update on parcel designate

- KSTP Building
- Forest Lawn Memorial Park Mausoleum

Discussion: Benefits could be available for funding renovations.

Most burials in the park and now Hmong

There are many cremations

2. Demo Permits

3. Save the Date Preserve MN Conference

- mn.gov/admin/shpo/conference/

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HPC 2024 -- 2025 Annual Report

Purpose

The Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) is charged with preserving significant historic resources in Maplewood. It pursues this by recommending to City Council sites to designate as historic landmarks and by providing design review for designated sites.

Commissioners

Bob Cardinal, Chair

Appointed 1/25/2016; term expires 4/30/2027

John Gaspar, Vice-Chair (Architect)

Appointed 1/14/2013; term expires 4/30/2028

Richard Currie,

Appointed 7/26/2004; term expires 4/30/2026

David Hughes (Historian)

Appointed 10/25/21; term expires 4/30/2026

Laura Koski (Field Archeologist)

Appointed 11/10/2022; term expires 4/30/25

Outgoing board member

Peter Boulay – no longer resides in the City, now serves as an Ex-Officio member

Accomplishments:

Actively recruiting for someone from a diverse community or who has one of the professional credentials required by SHPO.

Commission members Laura Koski, Bob Cardinal and Kristi Reese attended the Preserve MN Conference in New Ulm, September 2025.

Property Preservation Efforts

Consulted historic property inventory. Assessed potential preservation two (2) sites.

- KSTP Building
- Forest Lawn Memorial Park Mausoleum

Documenting Properties:

Continued and nearing completion of a project to document all homes that are at least 100 years old. The database was integrated into multimedia software program that will allow the commission and city staff to sift through as see is any of the homes could qualify form local or state historic designation.

Completed mapping of 20 significant properties. Will be integrated on the City website as an interactive database for Maplewood's most historic sites that are still standing.

106 Reviews:

Revised Purple Line Project

Metro Transportation G-Line Bus Rapid Transit Project

the three-year strategic plan**It includes:**

- Creating an interactive website documenting key dates in the city's history
- Oral history of residents from diverse backgrounds on why they chose Maplewood.
- Maplewood Historical timeline

Preservation Programs**National Register of Historic Places**

Ramsey County Poor Farm Barn

Owner: Ramsey County

Maplewood Heritage Locally Designated Landmarks

Bruentrup Heritage Farm

Owner: City of Maplewood

Gladstone Savanna Neighborhood Preserve

Owner: City of Maplewood

Century Homes

More than 130 homes over 100 years old