



## WAYZATA HERITAGE PRESERVATION BOARD

### Meeting Agenda

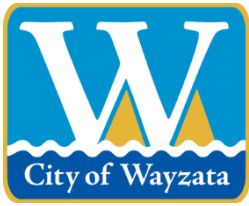
Wayzata City Hall Community Room, 600 Rice Street

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

2:00 PM

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Approval of Minutes**
4. **Old Business**
  - a. Replacement of First Cemetery Plaque
  - b. Discussion of Possible HPB Trolley Event
  - c. Update on Blue Water Theatre Company - 605 Rice St.
5. **New Business**
  - a. Review of 2025 Work Plan and Generate 2026 Work Plan
  - b. New Business from Members
6. **Other Items**
  - a. City Calendar and Minutes Rotation Schedule
7. **Adjournment**

Members of the Heritage Preservation Board and some staff may gather at the Wayzata Bar and Grill immediately after the meeting or a purely social event. All members of the public are welcome.



## City of Wayzata Heritage Preservation Board Agenda Report

<b>MEETING DATE:</b> January 21, 2026	<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b> 4.a
<b>TITLE:</b> Replacement of First Cemetery Plaque	
<b>PROPOSED MOTION:</b> N/A	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b> Alex Sharpe, Community Development Director	
<b>REVIEWED BY:</b> Alex Sharpe, Community Development Director	

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

N/A

**FINANCIAL OR BUDGET CONSIDERATION:**

The total cost for fabrication, shipping and handling, along with a fence mounting plate set for the plaque was purchased for \$730.00.

**2024-2026 STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES RELEVANCE:**

N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

At the November 20, 2025 meeting, the Board discussed that the order for the new plaque at First Cemetery had been ordered. Staff has received the update that the plaque is in production and is scheduled for shipping in late 2025.

At the time of publication, staff has not received confirmation of shipping and will provide a verbal update at the meeting on the status.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Revised Quote from Franklin Bronze Plaques 10-02-25
2. 37395 - 16x12 - Wayzata First Cemetery Plaque



**Franklin Bronze Plaques**

4201 US 322 West  
Franklin PA 16323

**Quote/Order Acknowledgement**

Date	Job No.
8/27/2025	37395

Vendor No.

Billing Address

City of Wayzata  
600 Rice Street  
Wayzata, MN 55391

Ship To

City of Wayzata  
Wayzata Heritage Preservation Board  
600 Rice Street  
Wayzata MN 55391

Contact Person Haily Hedblom	E-mail Address hhedblom@wayzata.org	Phone No. 952-404-5323
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P.O. No.	Prev. Job # 14893 / 17052	Terms Pre-Pay	Must Have	Ship Date
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Description	Qty	Background	Mount	Amount	Total
REVISED 10-02-25 (quantity; mounting; adjusted pricing structure):					
16" x 12" Bronze Plaque including 288 Letters	1	Black	Fence Mount	505.00	505.00
Fence Mounting Plate Set	2			90.00	180.00
Subtotal					685.00
Shipping and Handling				45.00	45.00
*First Cemetery					
Standard production is approximately 7 - 9 weeks after final layout approval and receipt of payment, plus time in transit for UPS, depending on the size and complexity of the plaque; larger pieces require longer lead times					

**Please review details carefully and advise of any necessary corrections. Full text will be shown in the layout file when sent for review / revision / approval. Customer is responsible for any errors that are approved.**

**Due to the volatility of the copper market and continuously changing tariffs put in place, estimates are subject to change without notice. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.**

<b>Subtotal</b>	\$730.00
<b>Sales Tax (0.0%)</b>	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	\$730.00

Phone # 814-346-7205	Fax # 814-346-7047	E-mail audrey@franklinbronzeplaques.com	Web Site www.franklinbronzeplaques.com
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# FIRST CEMETERY

## 1855

OLDEST CEMETERY IN WAYZATA.

BURIAL SITE OF MANY EARLY  
SETTLERS. FIRST BURIAL WAS  
HANNAH GARRISON, MOTHER OF  
WAYZATA'S FOUNDER, WHO WAS  
SAID TO HAVE "DIED OF FRIGHT"  
WHEN A STRANGER WITH CHOLERA  
CAME TO HER DOOR.

A WAYZATA HISTORIC LANDMARK

37395 16x12 Bronze Single Line Color: Black  
Mounting: Fence Mount 9/2/25



## City of Wayzata Heritage Preservation Board Agenda Report

<b>MEETING DATE:</b> January 21, 2026	<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b> 4.b
<b>TITLE:</b> Discussion of Possible HPB Trolley Event	
<b>PROPOSED MOTION:</b> N/A	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b> Alex Sharpe, Community Development Director	
<b>REVIEWED BY:</b> Alex Sharpe, Community Development Director	

### **ACTION REQUESTED:**

Discuss the possibility of a trolley related event in 2025 or 2026.

### **FINANCIAL OR BUDGET CONSIDERATION:**

Specific costs and budget implication can be determined once a more solidified plan is in place.

### **2024-2026 STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES RELEVANCE:**

### **BACKGROUND:**

At the December 17, 2025 meeting, the Board discussed that the event should be planned for 2026. The Board was assigned the task of collecting their thoughts/proposals/research on the event and preparing a narrative/subject matter for inclusion in the packet. Staff has compiled these items, some of which include URLs to other events for the Board's review.

Sue Sorrentino, of the Lake Minnetonka Historical Society attended the meeting on December 17, and also provided staff with materials for past trolley events. Three brochures from past events are attached to this report. These brochures will help to establish the number of stops and potential locations for the Trolley event.

Staff has also invited Julie Menk, from the Lake Minnetonka Historical Society is scheduled to attend the meeting to provide guidance on their potential role in the Trolley event.

Staff recommends that the Board review the subject matter and discuss the following for additional refinement:

- Goals/scope of the event,
- Audience - who is this targeting?
- Duration
- Date and time
- Potential stops/areas of interest
  - Where does it start/end
- Subject matter refinement
  - Historic theme?
    - What thread/historic theme could tie the stops/places of interest together?
      - Railroad
      - Lake
      - Others?
  - Holiday based?
- How will the event be advertised?
- Will there be a charge to attend?

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Sue Ankeny Christmas in Excelsior + Day Trolley
2. Sue Ankeny Christmas in Excelsior Graphic
3. Christmas in Excelsior website

4. Kim Gharrity - Trolley Ideas
5. Sonya Travany - Trolley Event
6. Trolley Handouts 2
7. Trolley Handouts 3
8. Trolley Handouts 1

## Alex Sharpe

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**From:** Sue Ankeny <sueankeny@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 3, 2025 3:56 PM  
**To:** Alex Sharpe  
**Subject:** Re: Heritage Preservation Board - Meeting Update

Hi Alex,

For the trolley idea, I looked online and saw what Christmas in Excelsior did last weekend with the day trolley and also what Lake Minnetonka Historical Society did last summer.

Lake Minnetonka Historical Society:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/history-cruise-and-walking-tour-big-island-tickets-1319580965189>  
[https://www.hometownsource.com/laker\\_pioneer/community/historical-society-slates-big-island-history-cruise/article\\_ad41311a-5e3e-4cb2-912a-eb4a5ffb604d.html](https://www.hometownsource.com/laker_pioneer/community/historical-society-slates-big-island-history-cruise/article_ad41311a-5e3e-4cb2-912a-eb4a5ffb604d.html)

I think we need to find out what Joanie will charge us for her time and then work backwards from there for a price. I know their event last summer sold out so there is an appetite for paying for this. Maybe work with a local restaurant (muni, Rustica?) and offer a box lunch and work with the Wayzata design group to see if they can be involved in some way. Have people meet at the parking lot of the Wayzata offices, board there and go for one hour. Solves the parking issue meeting there. Have it be a one hour tour with several stops in the Wayzata area ( I would defer to Joanie on which stops she would want to chat about). We can also start smaller and work our way to a bigger event.

Once we have one successful event under our belts, I would love to be able to offer something around Halloween with kids. I think the Christmas trolley may be too cold for kids.

Thanks,  
Sue

On Tue, Nov 25, 2025 at 11:53 AM Alex Sharpe <[ASharpe@wayzata.org](mailto:ASharpe@wayzata.org)> wrote:

Good morning HPB,

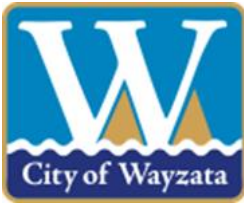
I wanted to let you all know that your action to alter the meeting calendar for Heritage Preservation Board meetings does not have any conflicts with City meeting spaces and will be officially changed to the following dates/times. Please see the table below for the original and revised schedule. If these dates and times present any concerns please notify me and we can discuss at the December meeting.

Heritage Preservation Board Revised Meeting Date & Time			
Month/Year	Original Date/Time	Revised Date/Time	Meeting Room
December 2025	December 18: 11:30 AM	December 17: 2:00 PM	Conference Room
January 2026	January 22: 11:30 AM	January 21: 2:00 PM	Community Room
February 2026	February 26: 11:30 AM	February 25: 2:00 PM	Community Room

As a reminder, please send me your trolley event ideas with Date, time, audience, stops, and any other event details by December 9<sup>th</sup> so that I can include these with the agenda for your review.

Alex

**Alex Sharpe**



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## Alex Sharpe

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**From:** Sue A <sueankeny@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 4, 2025 7:31 AM  
**To:** Alex Sharpe  
**Subject:** FYI I meant to attach to my email



THANK YOU



Christmas  
IN EXCELSIOR



## Alex Sharpe

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**From:** Kim Gharrity <kcgharrity@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 5, 2025 12:41 AM  
**To:** Alex Sharpe  
**Subject:** Thoughts from Kim Gharrity about the trolley

Hiya,

So I've been thinkin' about potential trolley routes and themes, and I'm just gonna throw out some scattershots to get us brainstorming. Here're three potential themes:

### 1. Recreation

Historically until now, there's been so many things to do in Wayzata and a trolley tour could highlight these with its historical context.

- a. Tourism
- b. Hiking the remaining hardwood forest
- c. Summer cottages that used to be sprinkled around
- d. Water sports... sailing, boating, Wayzata Beach, paddle board rentals, fishing, splash pad
- e. Parks... Wayzata Beach, Klappich Park, Margaret Circle park, Bell Courts,, including all the activities available at/in the parks
- f. Biking trails including the Dakota Regional Trail
- g. Train display at the Depot

I'm sure there's more, and many details to fill in the history with all of these. This would be a tour in the warmer weather... maybe in conjunction with the Art Experience in June and depending on the script, could be fun for all ages!

### 2. Transportation

Throughout our history there have been many and varied forms of transportation, why they came into existence and their utility now. These include the initial canoes of the Native Americans, steamboats, streetcars, streetcar boats, the fact that we had 10 gas stations at one time, automobiles, boats of all kinds, sailing, even the history of the trolley itself, etc.

I'd say the same timing for this one as well and again, could be interesting for all ages

### 3. Neighborhoods

There's just a myriad of neighborhoods in Wayzata... how they came to be would be interesting, their builders, etc.. Examples are Crosby Road/Holdridge, Pigtail Alley, Eastman Lane, Bushaway, how the downtown evolved, South Ferndale, that area around Park Street where the current controversy around house vs. lot size is brewing, the Highlands, Highcroft, Margaret Circle, etc. This tour might be more interesting for local adults?

These suggestions might be a place to springboard from or segue into other's suggestions... TBD!

On another topic Alex, Sue Sorrentino called me yesterday to ask if HBP was familiar with the struggles Blue Water is having? I told her we talked at length about it at our last meeting... the earlier suggestion that they pursue the historic designations, the fact that they're coming up against a hard deadline, etc. Sue said that she was talking to their board chair... they need \$500,000 by the end of the year or they'll need to close their doors. Evidently a structural contractor has walked through, the roof is OK for now, but they critically need to fix the foundation. I guess they really have never made much, if any profit and definitely not in the last few years. They have one more play showing this month... Water for Elephants, their last performance is December 21st. After the matinee performance, at 5:00pm, they are having a fundraiser at the theater and Sue would love it if we could come? She said she was gonna send me some info and I will forward it to you when she does so you can share it with the board.

That's all for now buddy... keep up the great work, I'm sure your mama's proud of you 😊!

See you on the 17th,

Kim

## Alex Sharpe

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**To:** Sonya Travanty  
**Subject:** RE: Heritage Preservation Board - Meeting Update

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**From:** Sonya Travanty <stravanty@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 8, 2025 11:08 AM  
**To:** Alex Sharpe <ASharpe@wayzata.org>  
**Subject:** Re: Heritage Preservation Board - Meeting Update

Hi Alex,

My vision for the trolley event!

Looking at a Spring / Early Summer date in 2026. Prefer a Saturday or Sunday. I believe we have the trolley for 4 hours? Thinking 4, 30-45 minute tours.

Can we provide links to register on the website? We will not charge a fee, but this allows us to plan on numbers and to have organization around the event.

I feel the event should focus on late 1800s lake tourism and Wayzata explicitly. We could start with a small segment on the Dakota travelling to the area every spring/late summer for maple syrup and wild rice. We can then drive around town and look at where the early hotels stood like the Arlington and Harrington. We could see where the streetcars stopped and picked up the boats to travel to other locations on the lake. I am sure there is a ton of history along these lines.

Thanks for adding to the minutes!  
Sonya

This Trolley Tour has been presented by the Wayzata  
Heritage Preservation Board

Irene Stemmer -- Chair

Judy Starkey

Bernie Klein

Joe McCarthy

Dan Storms

The Heritage Preservation Board (HPB) is an  
arm of the Wayzata City Council and operates under the  
guidelines of the Heritage Preservation Ordinance.

The HPB's goal is to safeguard the heritage of the City by  
working with property owners to preserve sites and struc-  
tures that reflect the elements of the City's cultural, visual  
and architectural history. One of our primary initiatives is  
to educate and maintain high levels of heritage awareness  
throughout the City.

Thanks to the Wayzata Chamber of Commerce and the  
City of Wayzata for providing the trolley.

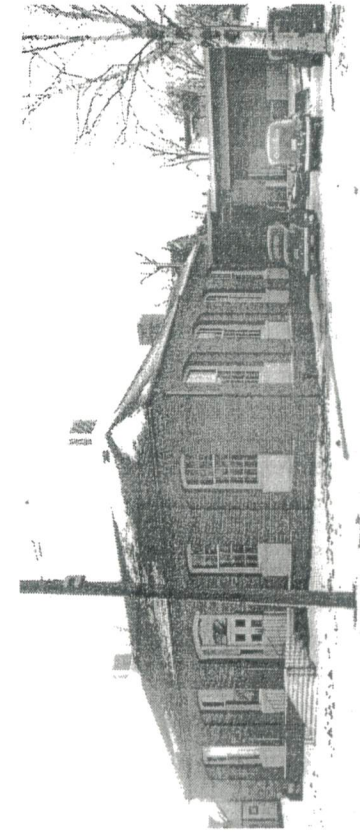
# TROLLEY TOUR

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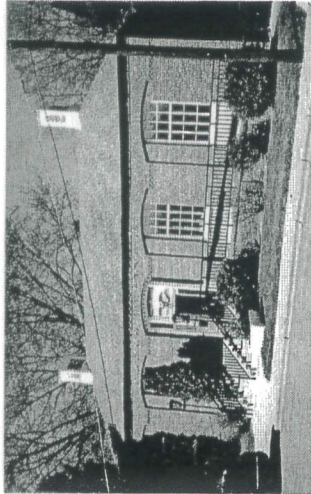
## Ten Wayzata Historic Sites

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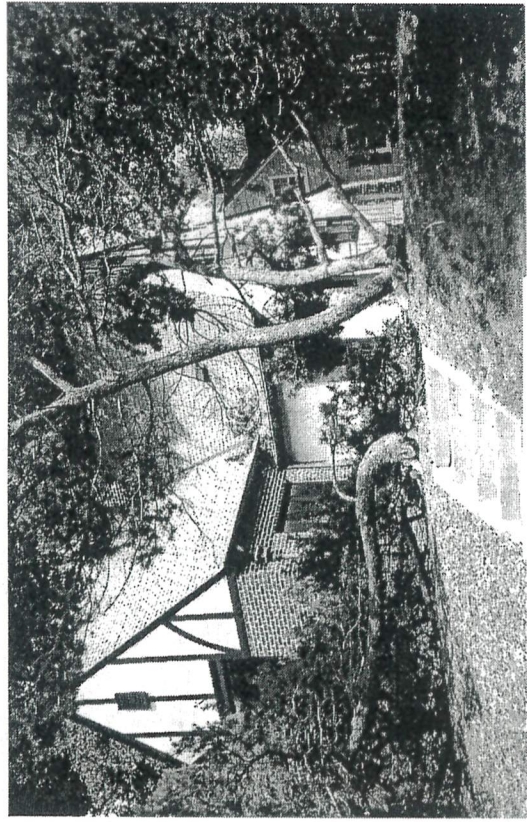
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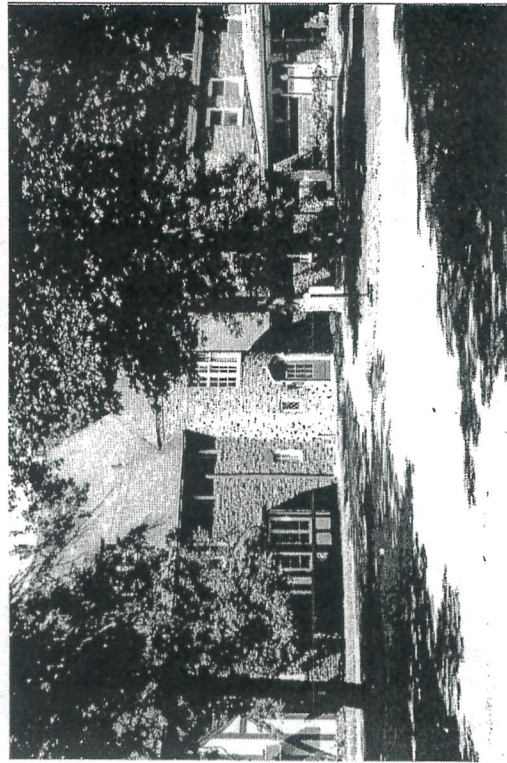
WAYZATA POST OFFICE Circa 1941  
229 Minnetonka Avenue South



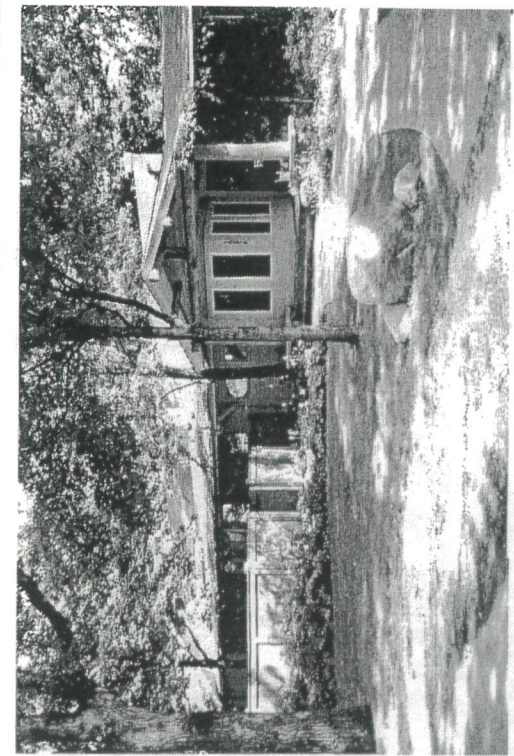
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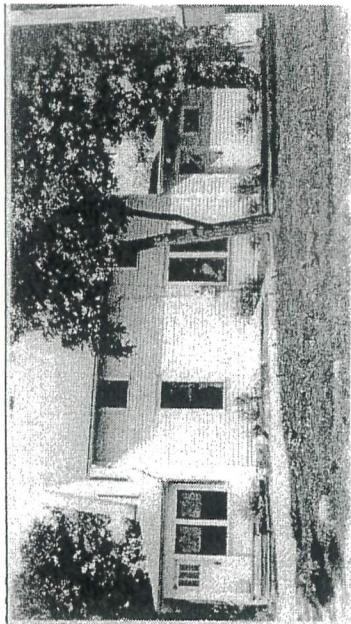
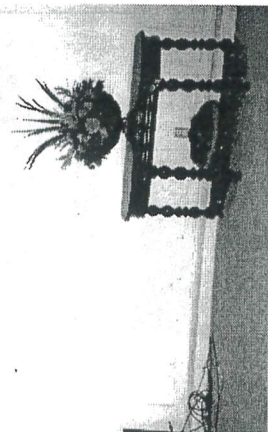
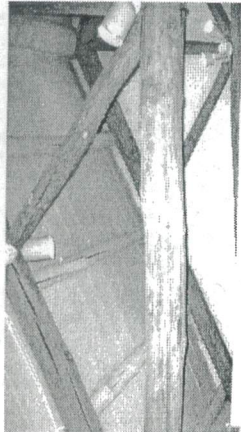
THE APOLLO  
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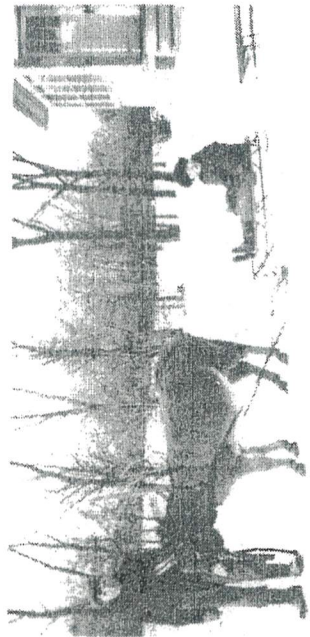
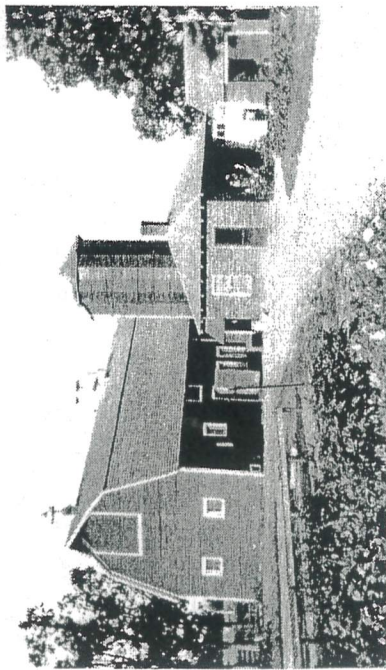
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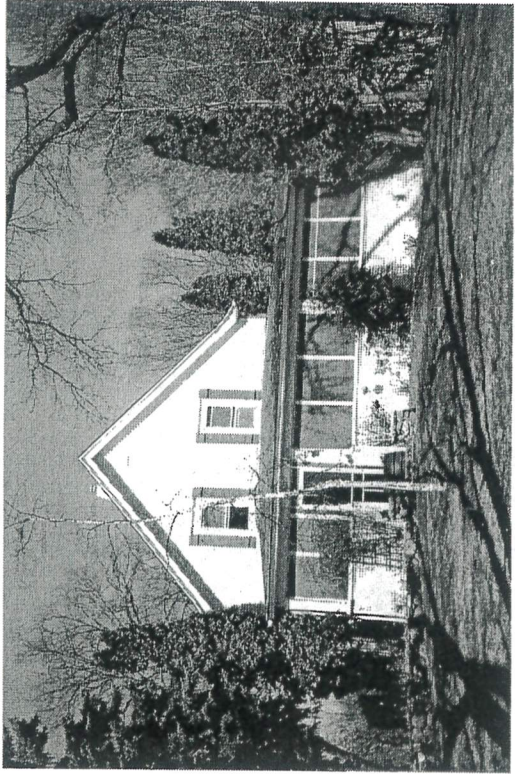
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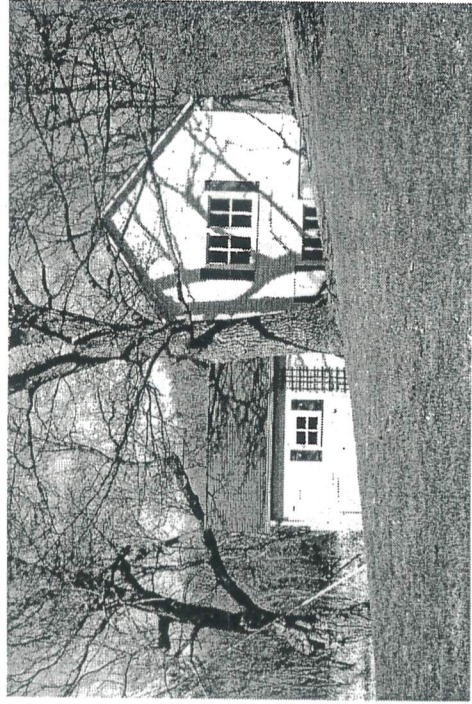
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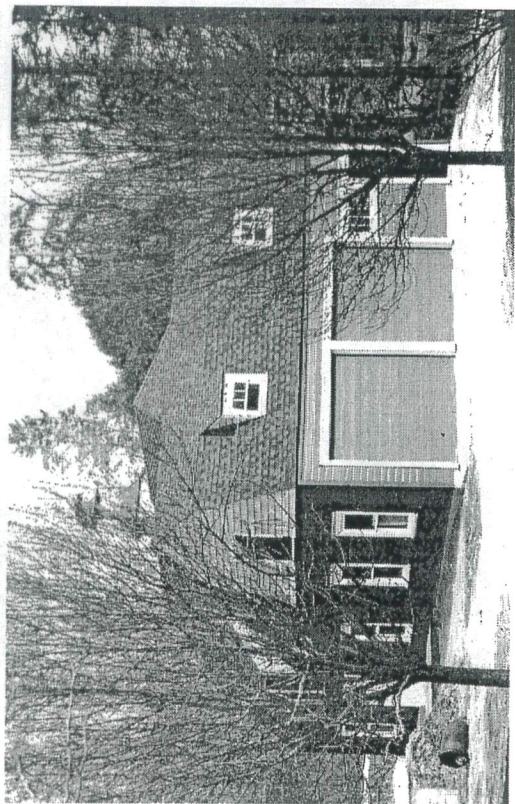
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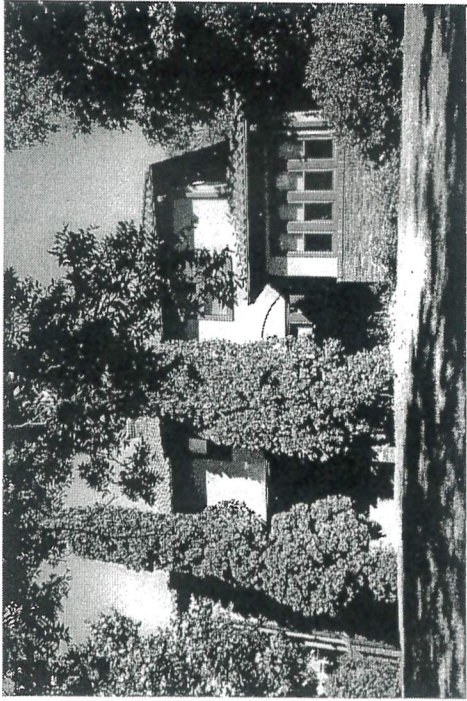


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1425 LaSalleStreet

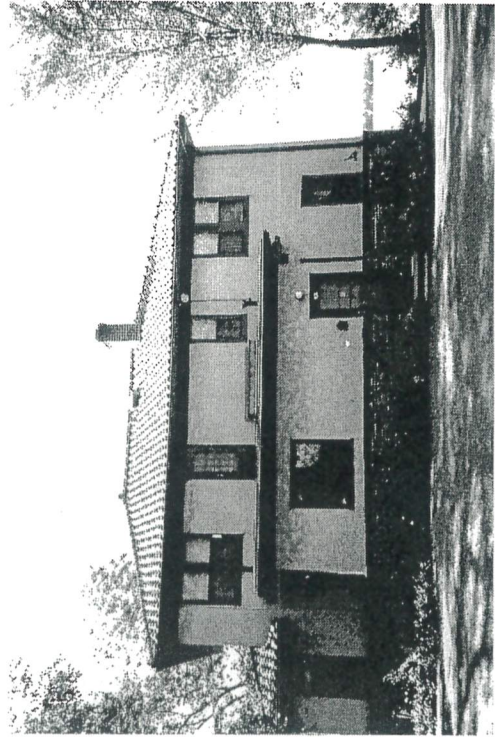


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218 Bushaway Road



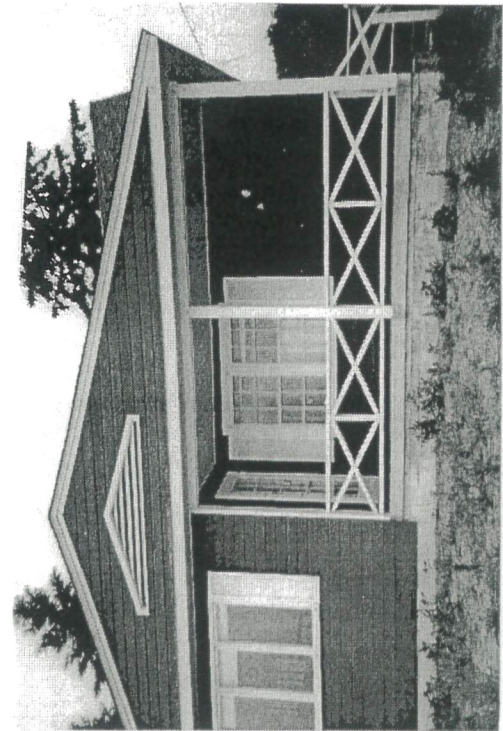


THE GEE HOME  
936 Shady Lane



THE WISE HOME  
313 Central Avenue South

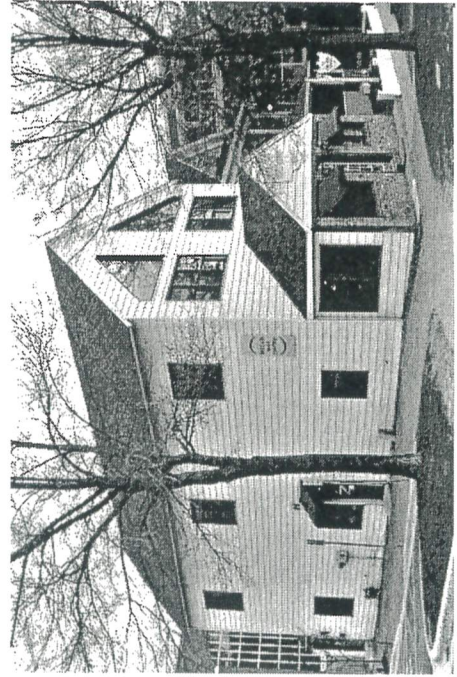
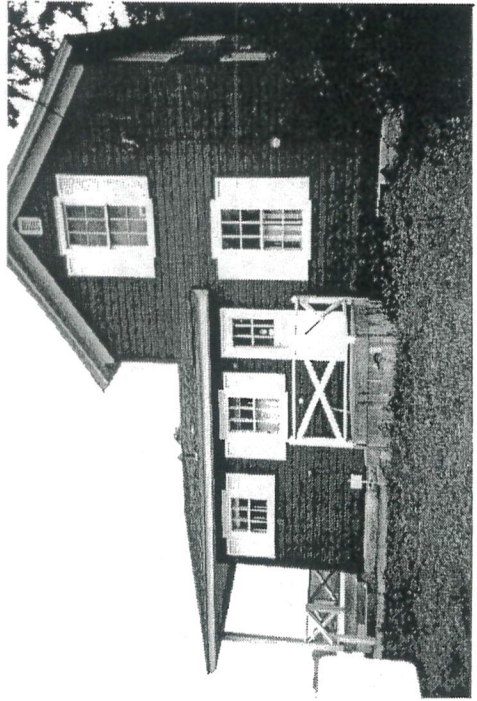




SECTION FOREMAN'S HOUSE  
738 Lake Street



THE GOLD MINE  
322 Broadway  
Avenue South



THE  
ODD  
FELLOWS  
HALL  
526 Broadway  
Avenue South

## The Wayzata Heritage Preservation Board

The Heritage Preservation Board (HPB), is a Council appointed volunteer advisory board working under the purview to the Planning Commission and City Council. The HPB is tasked with advising on the identification and preservation of historic sites within the city and to assist local property owners in the preservation of historically important sites.

The HPB works to identify, document, and evaluate historic, architectural and archaeological resources in the City, including determination of their significance and vulnerability; works with property owners to place historic and cultural resources on the local and National Registers as appropriate; and recommends the issuance of awards of recognition.

In order to heighten awareness of locally significant properties, and educate property owners on how to preserve, rehabilitate, restore, and reconstruct their significant buildings and sites, the HPB, in cooperation with the Wayzata Historical Society and the Wayzata Public Library, encourages and promotes heritage education programs directed at residents, tourism, the business community, and the general public.

### Your Heritage Preservation Board

Irene Stemmer, Chair  
Joe McCarthy  
Andrew Mullin  
Judy Starkey  
Dan Storms

## *Heritage Ride on the Trolley*

### *A Short History of West Wayzata*

Presented by  
The Wayzata Heritage Preservation Board

In Commemoration of  
National Heritage Preservation Month 2008

“This Place Matters”  
The National Trust for Historic Preservation

Sponsored by



Anchor Bank of Wayzata



**Brastad House 206 Minnetonka Ave. S - 1914**

Brastad House preserved by John Adams under a "Deed Restriction." For perpetuity. Dutch Colonial Revival Style Cottage. Brastads lived there over 60 years.



**Post Office - Minnetonka Avenue - 1941**

Built by WPA from plans by architect Louis A. Simon. Plan for Class D Post offices across America. Mural inside by Ruth Grotenrath, a Depression Era Artist. First Post Office opened in Wayzata in 1855.



**Pettit & Kysor Grocery - 5 Swans - 1906 (On right)**

Built by Harry Pettit to replace grocery store that Burned down across the street. Home delivery of groceries until it closed in 1974. Sold to Ogrens for Five Swans. Also known as Waytonka Market after Pettit & Kysor sold store.



**Wayzata State Bank - 305 Lake Street - 1908**

Started by 5 businessmen and \$10,000. First bank in Wayzata and first bank to have its own building around Lake Minnetonka. Neoclassical Revival Style. Plans probably came out a book of bank plans.



**Old Drug Store-275 Lake Street E.-Circa 1920s**

One story Masonry, rare example of traditional main street buildings. Site of Pettit's first grocery store.



**Linscog House-339 Barry Avenue-1912**

Home of the Linscog family. Fred worked in the Post Office. No history available.



**Wayzata Depot - 1906**

Erected by James J. Hill owner of Great Northern Railroad. Primary landmark in Wayzata. On National, State and local registry. Owned by City and maintained by Wayzata Historical Society as authentic Railroad depot as built.



**Minnetonka Boat Works - 1870?**

First boat works building in Wayzata Moore Boat Works. Once 4 Boat builders in city. Assembled trucks in WWI and landing craft during WWII. Stopped boat building in 1960s to become franchiser for Christ Craft. Offices and restaurant in 1997.



**Meyer Bros. Dairy - 1941**

Meyer Brothers Cliff, Herb and Ted began dairy on farm in Orono. Pasteurized milk bottling until 2005.



**Crosby/Ankeny House -1907-1915**

Main house on Franklin Crosby estate. It was his summer home. Neoclassical Revival style. Relates to Wayzata's Gilded Age (1867-1929).



**Harrington Farms Gate-1915**

Built to commemorate pioneer settlers of the area John and Wm. Harrington. Gates have been rebuilt with matching materials.



**Highcroft Carriage House-1895**

Also known as the garage. This is the last building standing on the Highcroft Farm which was razed for redevelopment in 1953.



**Beach and Shaver Park**

Shaver Park is named for Craig Shaver, first Mayor in the council/city mgr system 1947. The beach park and lagoons are the work of the First Mayor Rufus Rand when Wayzata incorporated from village to a city in 1929.



**Ramaley House-121 Grove Lane-1914**

Home of Ramaley the boat builder. This prairie style home is in what was once referred to as Subdivision of Ferndale.



**139 Grove Lane - 1910**

Four Square style suburban cottage with Pyramidal hip roof. Related to themes of domestic architecture in early suburbia.



**Dr. Palmer's House - 1910**

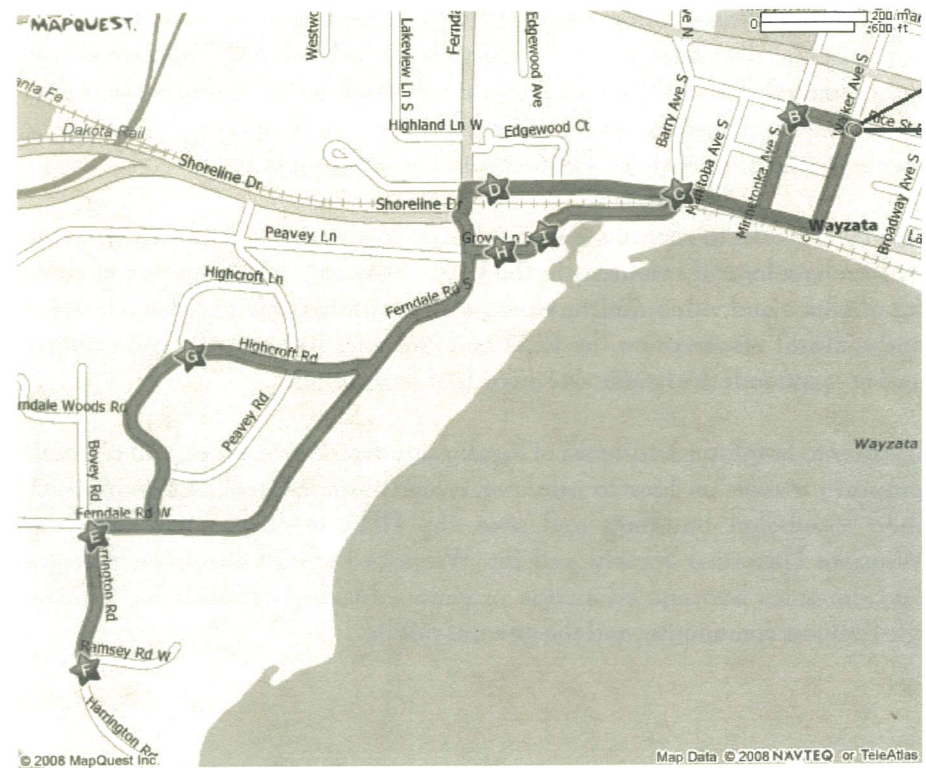
Colonial Revival Style dwelling. Dr. Palmer Local veterinarian came to Wayzata 1930 to take care of all the registered dairy herds and horses for gentlemen farmers in country estate era.



**Unitarian Church --1916**

Site of first church, Wayzata Congregational Church. First building 1881 replaced in 1910 Burned down and rebuilt with same plans in 1916.

## The West Trolley Heritage Route





**Odd Fellows Hall - 326 Broadway Ave. S. - 1903**

Built as meeting hall for Odd Fellows Lodge and Auxiliary Women's group. The Rebeccas. Originally had outside stairway to second floor. First theater in Wayzata, showing silent movies.



**Section Foreman's House - 1905**

Built by Great Northern Railroad to house the section foreman's family. Section Foreman's houses were located about 15 miles apart down the line. All houses were built the same, painted Great Northern Railway gray and stood by the tracks. This may be the last one still standing in Minnesota or even all the way to the coast.



**The Gold Mine - 332 Broadway Ave. So. - 1880**

Home of Ed Braden family. Boarding house started by Mrs. Goertemuller. Gold Mine opened 1961. This house along with Odd Fellows Hall survived the fire of 1926 when most of the block burned in the fires of 1926 and 1962.



**Gee House - 936 Shady Lane - 1928**

Mary Ellen Gee is third generation of Gees owning the house. She has a Preservation Easement with the City to save the house to perpetuity. Spanish Colonial and Prairie Style. Built by Gee family from purchased set of plans.



**Rosekrans House-456 Arlington Circle - 1890**

House built across Wayzata Bay and pulled over here by a team of horses on the ice. Porches added after house arrived here. Frank & Alice Rosekrans owned the house for 64 years. Presently owned by Wayzata Sailing Foundation for their sailing school.



**Foxglove Farm - LaSalle Avenue - 1914**

This house was first owned by F.A. Upsher-Smith, who raised foxglove. In 1919 he began processing digitalis drug products from foxglove to treat patients suffering from congestive heart failure. The drying shed for the foxglove still stands on the grounds.



**Wise House - 313 Central Ave. So-1904**

Built by Thomas H. Wise who purchased the entire block from the Harrington Estate for \$11,000. He owned Wise Boat Works and worked as a wood agent for James J. Hill. He died in 1919 and his funeral was held in the house.



**Brooks House-601 Bushaway -1919**

Brooks House, Tudor Revival style lake shore residence. False-thatch asphalt shingles. Upper story wing with clipped gable roof overhangs. Faces Wayzata Bay.



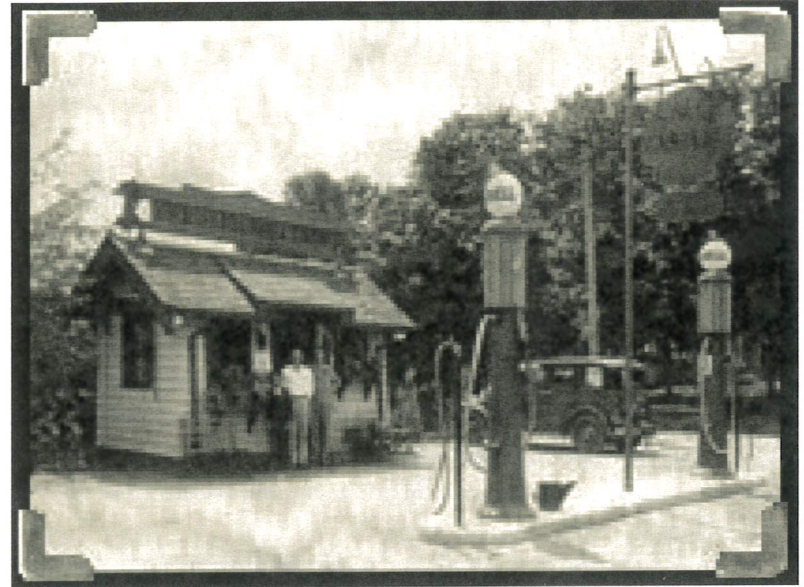
**Locust Hills Stable -1940**

Built by C. B. Sweatt to stable thoroughbred jumper horses at Locust Hills Country Estate. Stable has been renovated to be the Clubhouse for the new Locust Hills homeowner association.



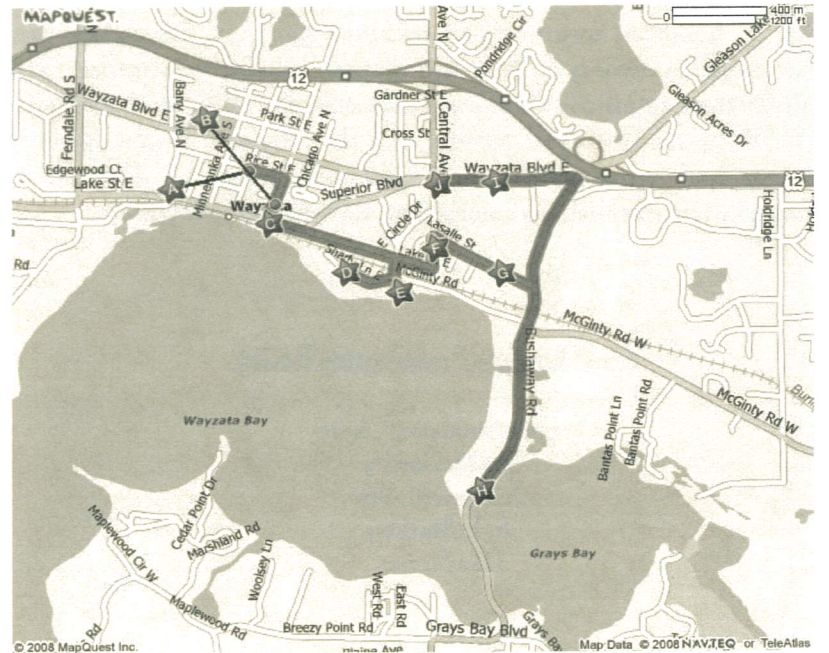
**Greenridges (Cenacle)**

One of Wayzata's four preserved sites. Twenty-one acres that contains a portion of the BIG WOODS. Owned by the City of Wayzata and The Retreat Center. Preserved by conservation easement held by Minnesota Land Trust. Big Woods Open "sunrise to sunset" to walk the paths.



**Heritage Park/Batson's Corner-1911**

The corner got its name from Sam and Jeraldine Batson's "Hobby Farm". House, small barn for goats and chickens, tennis court and apple orchard. 1925 added a gas station. The three Batson sons ran the station and sold apple cider.



**East Trolley Route**

## The Wayzata Heritage Preservation Board

The Heritage Preservation Board (HPB), is a Council appointed volunteer advisory board working under the purview to the Planning Commission and City Council. The HPB is tasked with advising on the identification and preservation of historic sites within the city and to assist local property owners in the preservation of historically important sites.

The HPB works to identify, document, and evaluate historic, architectural and archaeological resources in the City, including determination of their significance and vulnerability; works with property owners to place historic and cultural resources on the local and National Registers as appropriate; and recommends the issuance of awards of recognition.

In order to heighten awareness of locally significant properties, and educate property owners on how to preserve, rehabilitate, restore, and reconstruct their significant buildings and sites, the HPB, in cooperation with the Wayzata Historical Society and the Wayzata Public Library, encourages and promotes heritage education programs directed at residents, tourism, the business community, and the general public.

### Your Heritage Preservation Board

Irene Stemmer, Chair  
Joe McCarthy  
Andrew Mullin  
Judy Starkey  
Dan Storms

## *Heritage Ride on the Trolley*

### *A Short History of East Wayzata*

Presented by  
The Wayzata Heritage Preservation Board

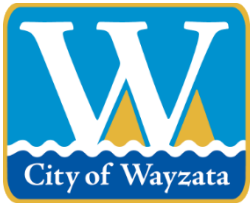
In Commemoration of  
National Heritage Preservation Month 2008

“This Place Matters”  
The National Trust for Historic Preservation

Sponsored by



Anchor Bank of Wayzata



**City of Wayzata  
Heritage Preservation Board  
Agenda Report**

<b>MEETING DATE:</b> January 21, 2026	<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b> 4.c
<b>TITLE:</b> Update on Blue Water Theatre Company - 605 Rice St.	
<b>PROPOSED MOTION:</b> N/A	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b> Alex Sharpe, Community Development Director	
<b>REVIEWED BY:</b> Alex Sharpe, Community Development Director	

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

N/A

**FINANCIAL OR BUDGET CONSIDERATION:**

At this time, the preservation of the Theater does not have financial implications to the City.

**2024-2026 STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES RELEVANCE:**

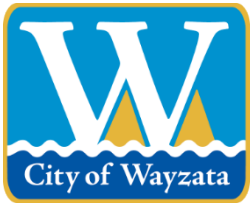
Preservation of Historic Structure

**BACKGROUND:**

Staff is in communication with Blue Water and will provide the Board with a verbal update at the meeting.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None



## City of Wayzata Heritage Preservation Board Agenda Report

<b>MEETING DATE:</b> January 21, 2026	<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b> 5.a
<b>TITLE:</b> Review of 2025 Work Plan and Generate 2026 Work Plan	
<b>PROPOSED MOTION:</b> N/A	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b> Haily Hedblom, Planner	
<b>REVIEWED BY:</b> Alex Sharpe, Community Development Director	

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Review and discuss the updated Draft 2026 Work Plan.

**FINANCIAL OR BUDGET CONSIDERATION:**

Certain items in the Work Plan will carry costs.

**2024-2026 STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES RELEVANCE:**

N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

**Upcoming Activities:**

- Replacement of First Cemetery Plaque - Order placed, item under fabrication.
- Possible HPB Trolley Event - Event discussion
- Continued support for local/national heritage site designation for 605 Rice St (Blue Water Theatre Company)
- Agenda
- Update HPB Mission Statement - 2026 work plan
- Recruitment and Retention of HPB Members - One open vacancy for 2026
- Draft 2026 Work Plan - Board to direct staff which items to continue into 2026 and plan to be finalized at January 21, 2026 meeting.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

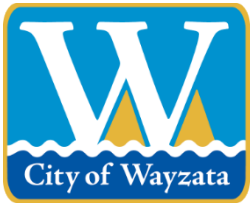
1. HPB Work Plan\_November



**Work Plan Progress & Updates – October 2025**

Activity	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025 Work Plan - COMPLETE	X											
City Plaques	X	X						X	X	X	X	X
General Programming Partnership Opportunities							X	X	X	X		
NEW: HPB Trolley Event										X	X	X
Mayor’s Award (annual) - COMPLETE		X	X	X	X							
Centennial Homes (annual) - COMPLETE		X	X	X	X	X						
Heritage Site Designation									X	X	X	X
Update HPB Mission Statement												X
Recruitment and Retention (3 terms end)									X	X	X	
2026 Work Plan												X

Current/Preparation
City Plaques – review list of desired city plaques for updating, consider budget
LMHS Programming – converted to general partnership programming
NEW: Designation of Heritage Site – Congregational Church (Blue Water Theatre) seeking local and national designation
Slot In
Racial covenants banned at home sale (tracking Mounds View ordinance)
Bicycle tour (LMHS)
Outdoor media at the Depot (LMHS)
NEW: Historic Sites in Wayzata Walking Tour, QR codes at historic sites
<a href="https://pocketsights.com/tours/tour/Wayzata-Historic-Downtown-Wayzata-Walking-Tour-3951">https://pocketsights.com/tours/tour/Wayzata-Historic-Downtown-Wayzata-Walking-Tour-3951</a>
NEW: Rehabilitation Info Session for older homes (homeowners share rehab projects, stories, advice, successes)
Ongoing Efforts/As Needed
Proactive engagement with historic property owners (as needed)
Support Section Foreman House funding (as needed)
Grant seeking for project capacity (ongoing)
Specific building celebrations on-site (look for upcoming anniversaries)
Unfunded
QR codes (Ely, Saint Paul)
Historic markers along Luce Line and/or Dakota rail trails (former Three Rivers Park District project with LMHS)
Grants Tracker
N/A



**City of Wayzata  
Heritage Preservation Board  
Agenda Report**

<b>MEETING DATE:</b> January 21, 2026	<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b> 5.b
<b>TITLE:</b> New Business from Members	
<b>PROPOSED MOTION:</b> N/A	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b> Haily Hedblom, Planner	
<b>REVIEWED BY:</b> Haily Hedblom, Planner	

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

N/A

**FINANCIAL OR BUDGET CONSIDERATION:**

N/A

**2024-2026 STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES RELEVANCE:**

N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

This is a space for board members to discuss potential new business and current events.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None



**City of Wayzata  
Heritage Preservation Board  
Agenda Report**

<b>MEETING DATE:</b> January 21, 2026	<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b> 6.a
<b>TITLE:</b> City Calendar and Minutes Rotation Schedule	
<b>PROPOSED MOTION:</b> N/A	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b> Alex Sharpe, Community Development Director	
<b>REVIEWED BY:</b>	

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Review the attached City Calendar and Minutes Schedule. Please let staff know if you have any anticipated conflicts with meeting dates/times or obligations to take minutes.

**FINANCIAL OR BUDGET CONSIDERATION:**

N/A

**2024-2026 STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES RELEVANCE:**

N/A

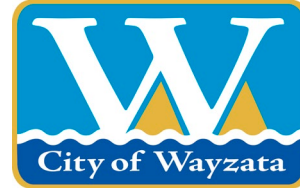
**BACKGROUND:**

The next HPB meeting is Wednesday February 25th , 2025.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. City Meeting Calendar
2. Heritage Preservation Board Revised Meeting Dates

# City of Wayzata 2026 Meeting Calendar



January 2026						
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- Energy & Environment 5:30 PM
- Planning Commission - 6:30 PM
- City Council - 7:00 PM
- Local Board of Appeal & Equalization - TBD April 2026
- Charter Commission - 9:00 AM
- Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD)
- Heritage Preservation Board (HPB) - 2:00 PM
- Housing & Redevelopment Authority (HRA) - 7:30 AM
- Parks & Trails Board - 6:00 PM
- Public Art Committee - 5:00 PM
- Night to Unite
- Holiday Observed  
City Offices Closed
- Election  
Precinct Caucuses—2/3/26 (No Public Meetings)

**Meeting dates and times are subject to change. Dates can be confirmed by calling City Hall.**

Revised  
1/14/2026

## 2026 Heritage Preservation Board Meeting Schedule January - March

<b>Heritage Preservation Board Revised Meeting Date &amp; Time</b>			
<b><u>Month/Year</u></b>	<b><u>Original Date/Time</u></b>	<b><u>Revised Date/Time</u></b>	<b><u>Meeting Room</u></b>
December 2025	December 18: 11:30 AM	December 17: 2:00 PM	Conference Room
January 2026	January 22: 11:30 AM	January 21: 2:00 PM	Community Room
February 2026	February 26: 11:30 AM	February 25: 2:00 PM	Community Room
March 2026	March 26: 11:30 AM	March 25: 2:00 PM	Community Room