



WAYZATA HERITAGE PRESERVATION BOARD

Meeting Agenda

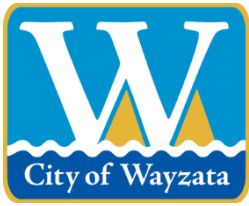
Wayzata City Hall Community Room, 600 Rice Street

Wednesday, February 25, 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 HPB Trolley Event
 - c. Review of 2025 Work Plan and Generate 2026 Work Plan
- 5. Other Items**
 - a. City Calendar and Minutes Rotation Schedule
- 6. New Business**
 - a. New Business from Members
- 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

MEETING DATE: February 25, 2026	AGENDA ITEM: 4.a
TITLE: Replacement of First Cemetery Plaque	
PROPOSED MOTION: N/A	
PREPARED BY: Alex Sharpe, Community Development Director	
REVIEWED BY: 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:

The City has received the plaque and will display it at the Board meeting. Installation will occur in the spring of 2026.

ATTACHMENTS:

None



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MEETING DATE: February 25, 2026	AGENDA ITEM: 4.b
TITLE: Discussion of HPB Trolley Event	
PROPOSED MOTION: N/A	
PREPARED BY: Alex Sharpe, Community Development Director	
REVIEWED BY: Alex Sharpe, Community Development Director	

ACTION REQUESTED:

Discuss the planned Historical trolley event for May 2026

FINANCIAL OR BUDGET CONSIDERATION:

Specific costs and budget implication must be determined. The total cost of rental of the Trolley has been determined to be \$1,214.40

2024-2026 STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITIES RELEVANCE:

BACKGROUND:

The Board held a workshop on Wednesday February 11, 2026, to further discuss a historical trolley event tentatively planned for May 17, 2026. Board members were assigned specific tasks to work on or research and would bring their findings and recommendations back to the Board for Action.

Staff was asked to research the following:

- Community Instagram - The City would post the event to all social platforms and if updates needed to occur that weekend, staff would be able to provide updates.
- Can the City accept cash from Community Education? - Staff advises that fees collected as part of the event go to offset costs from other agencies rather than be submitted to the City. If proceeds were to be submitted to the City, they would be allocated to the general fund without specific Council action, which would be uncommon.
- What are requirements or age restrictions on the Trolley for younger attendees or those with small children. - Staff has contacted the Trolley company and they have stated that we will have a response for a verbal update from staff for the meeting.
- Total number of seats on the Trolley - 30 seats at maximum, this can be a tight fit depending on passengers.
- City Council agenda - Yes, this item could be shared as part of the Public Forum portion of the Agenda. Members of the HPB should attend this meeting to present the event and be prepared to share promotional items.

Board members are encouraged to bring their items for presentation at the meeting. For future work, items can be sent to staff for distribution in the HPB packet.

Staff is also including a link to the Trolley Website to allow members to view photos of the Trolley for event planning. <https://reneeslimousines.com/fleet/trolleys-up-to-30-passengers/>

To reserve the Trolley, the Board should direct staff to put a 20% non-refundable downpayment with the rental company. This will allow for the event on either May 17 2026, or May 21st as a backup date. If the event is canceled, or does not proceed, the 20% downpayment will not be refunded for a reschedule.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Trolley Handouts 2

2. Trolley Handouts 3
3. Trolley Handouts1
4. Quote with photos

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.

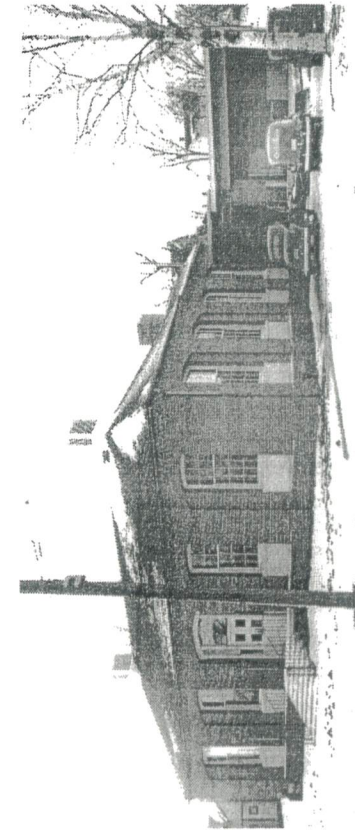
TROLLEY TOUR

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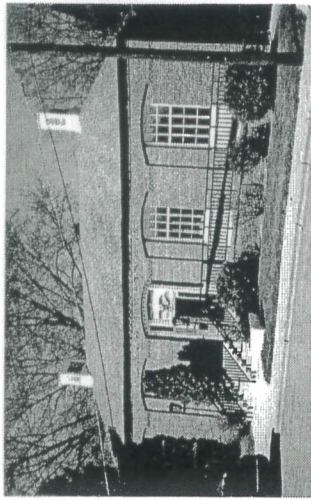
Ten Wayzata Historic Sites

Thursday, May 17th, 2007

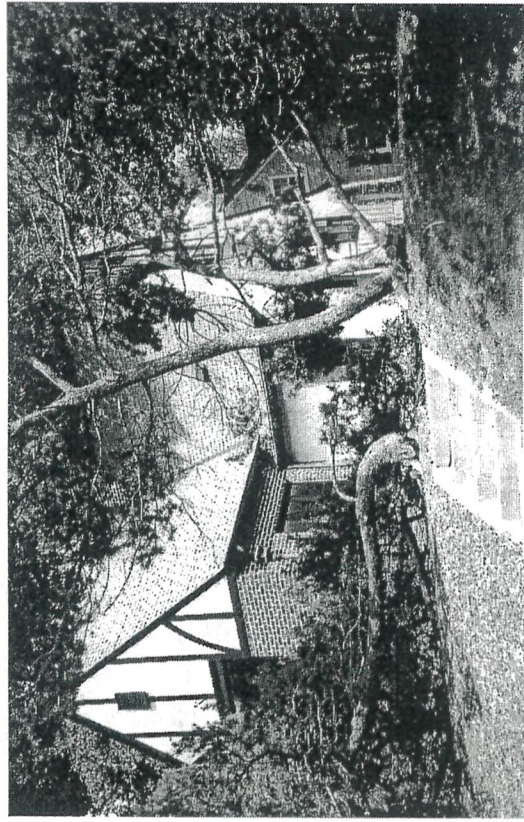
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WAYZATA POST OFFICE Circa 1941
229 Minnetonka Avenue South



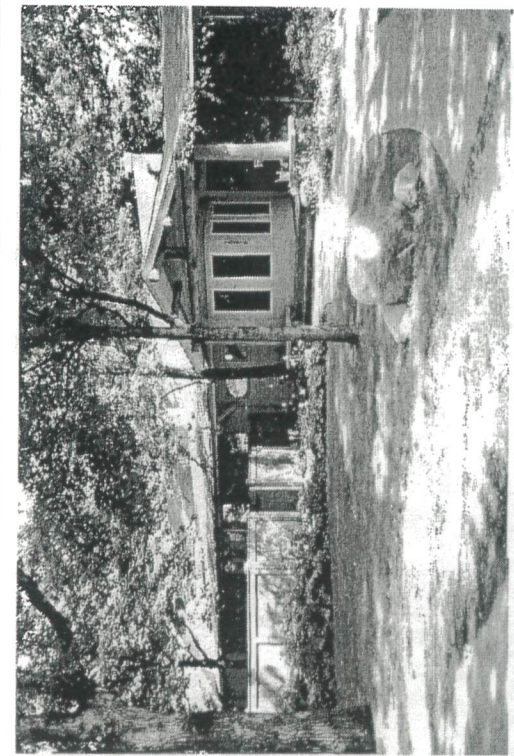
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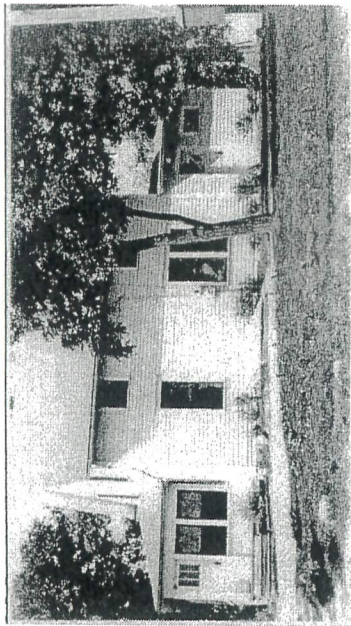
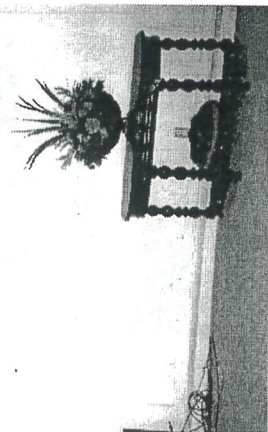
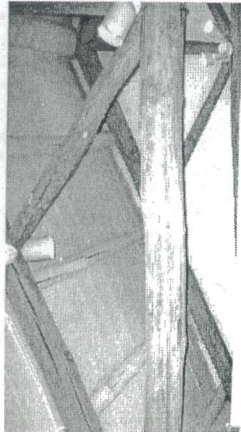
THE APOLLO
120 Benton Avenue



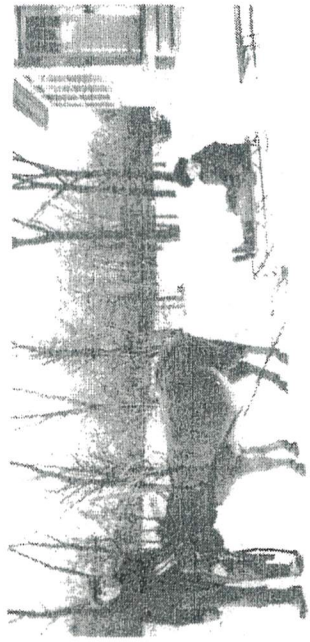
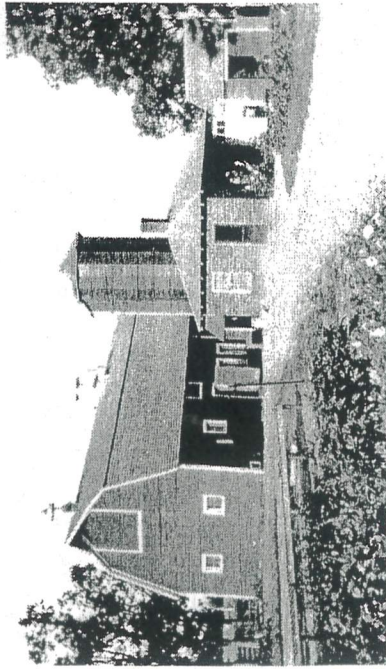
THE RETREAT
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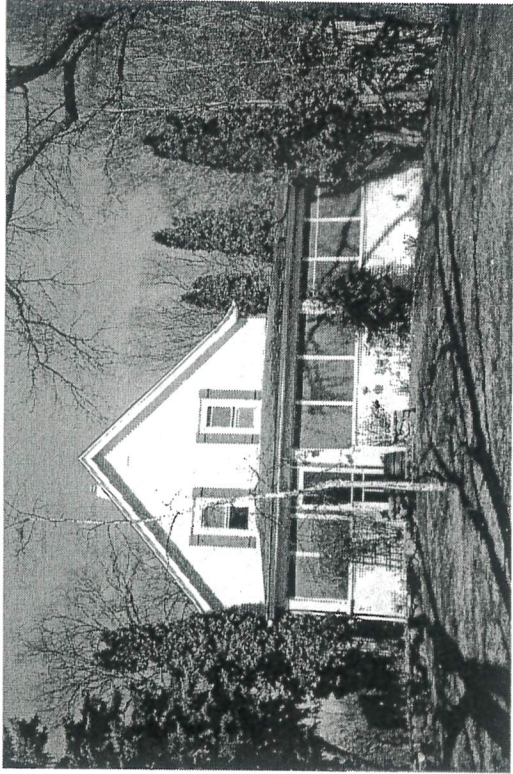
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16215 Holdridge Road West



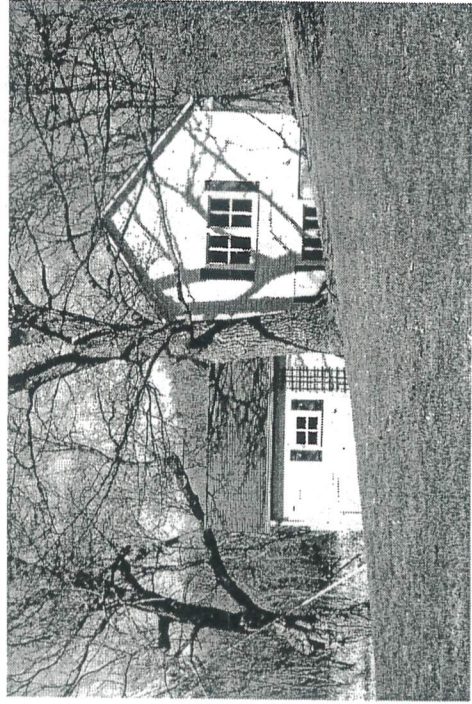
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FARM



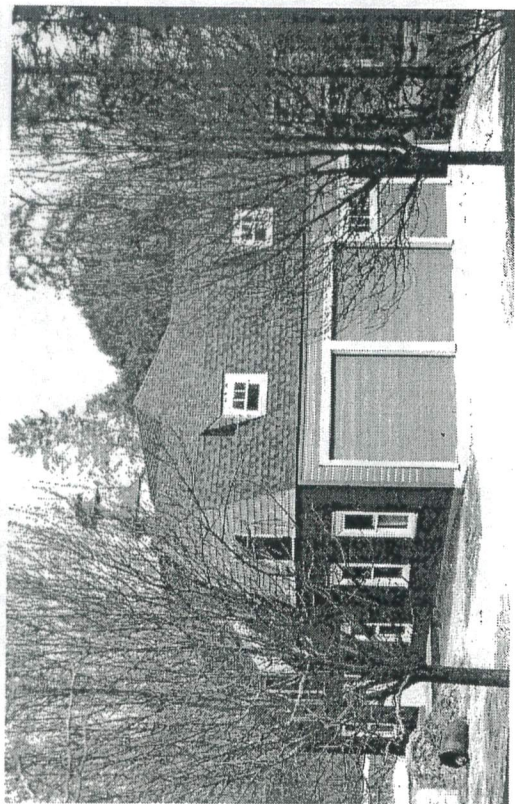
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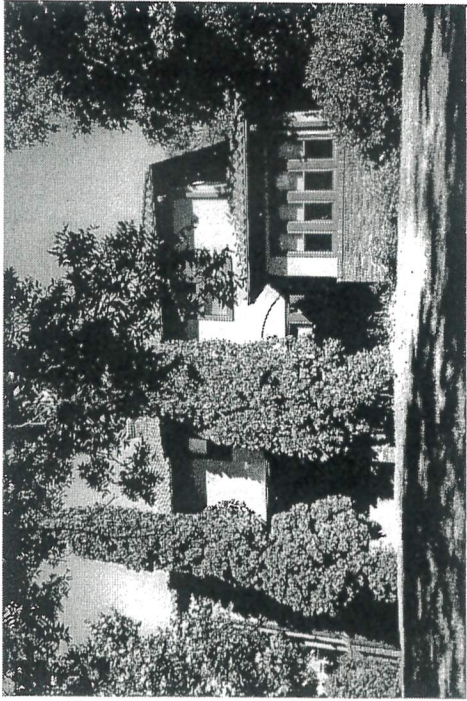


FOXGLOVE FARM
1425 LaSalleStreet

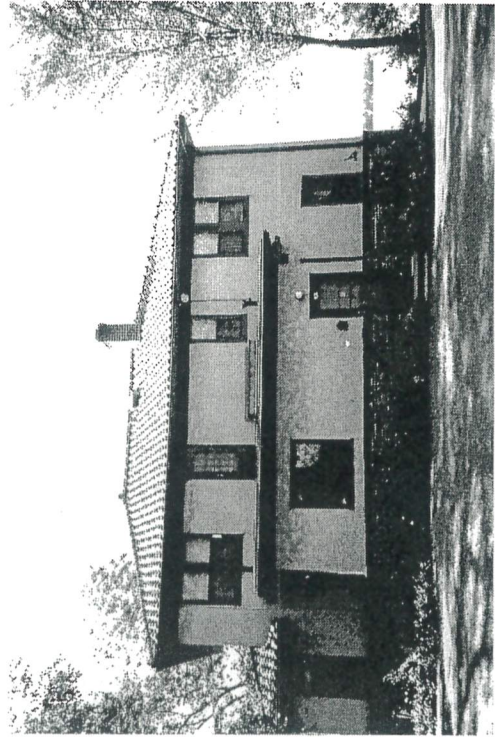


DODGE FARM
218 Bushaway Road



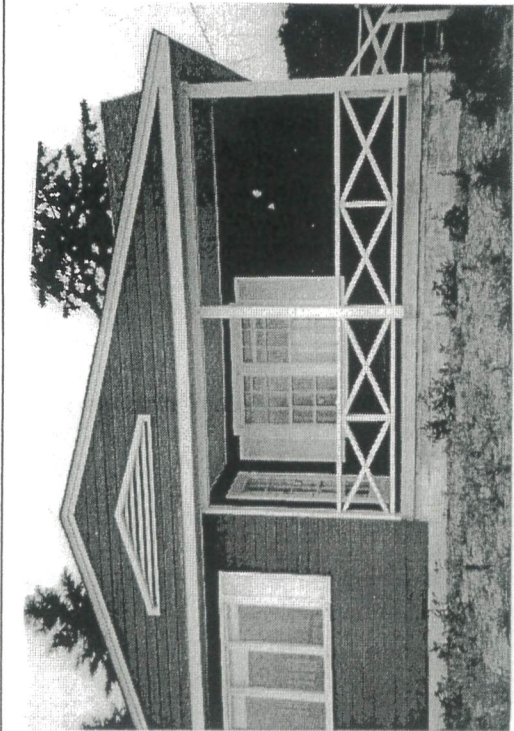


THE GEE HOME
936 Shady Lane



THE WISE HOME
313 Central Avenue South

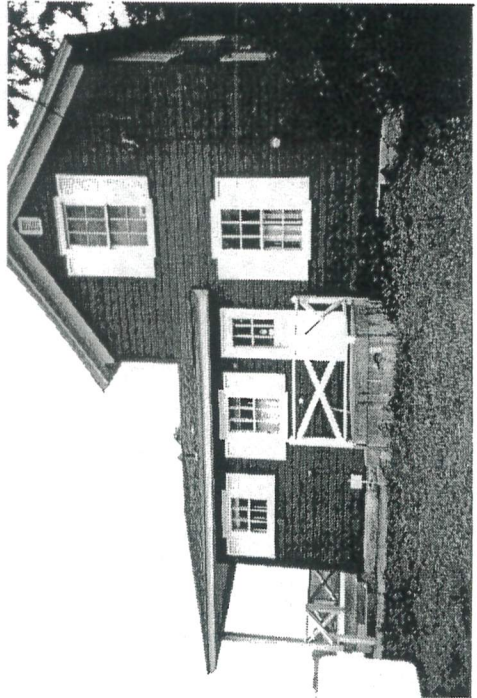




SECTION FOREMAN'S HOUSE
738 Lake Street



THE GOLD MINE
322 Broadway
Avenue South



THE
ODD
FELLOWS
HALL
526 Broadway
Avenue South

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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

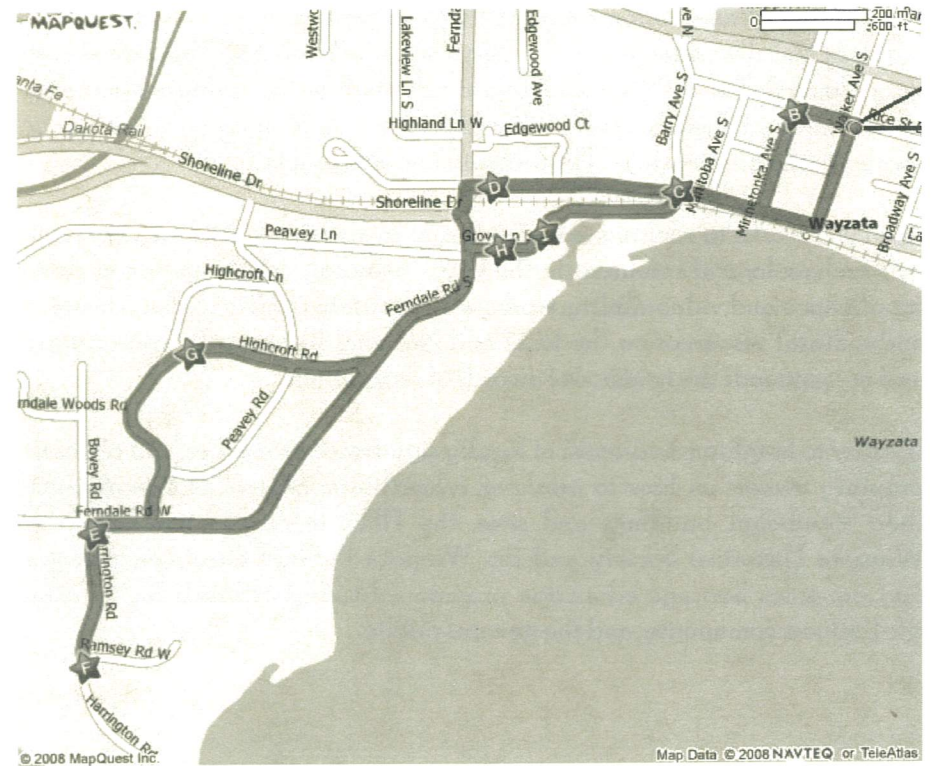
Colonial Revival Style dwelling. Dr. Palmer Local veterinarian came to Wayzata 1930 to take care of all the registered dairy herds and horses for gentlemen farmers in country estate era.



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.



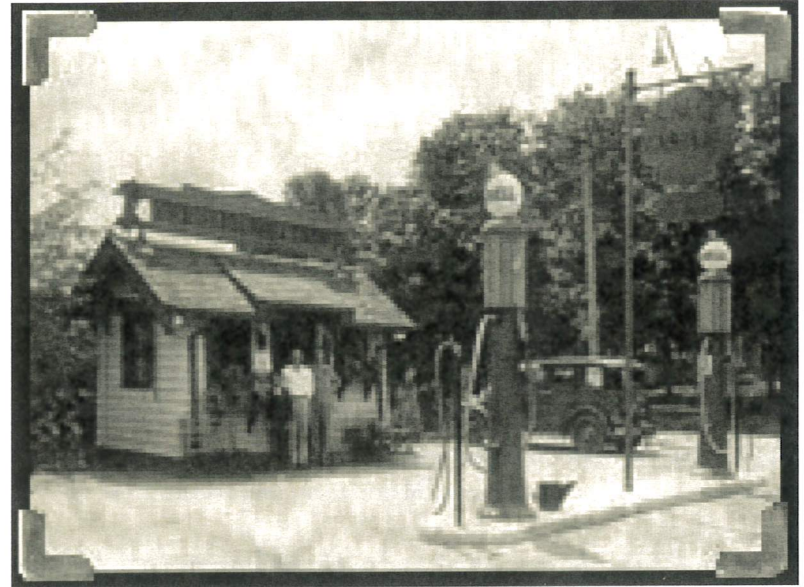
Locust Hills Stable -1940

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.



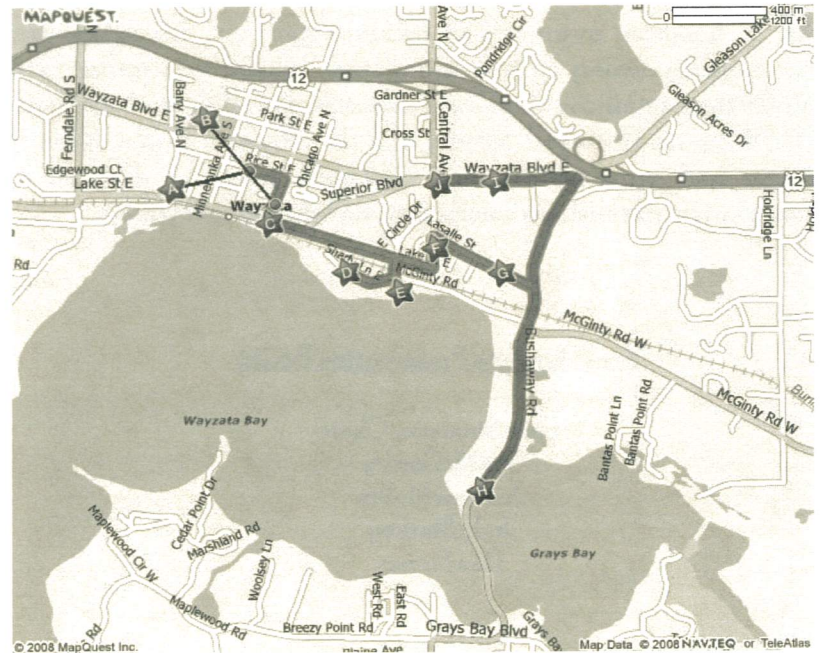
Greenridges (Cenacle)

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

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From: Renee's Limousines <info@reneeslimousines.com>

Sent: Monday, February 16, 2026 10:15 AM

To: Alex Sharpe <ASharpe@wayzata.org>; info@reneeslimousines.com

Subject: Your Quote is ready to view!



Hello Alan,

Thank you for your interest in Renee's Limousines!

Please review your quote details below for accuracy. If anything needs to change, just let us know. We'll be able to modify or add details once we've received your booking as well.

To secure this reservation, just click the **BOOK NOW** button below to complete your booking. You may also call us at [\(763\) 551-1919](tel:7635511919) and we will be happy to assist you.

Once we receive your booking request, we'll confirm availability of your selected vehicle type and request any additional information we might need to make sure your experience is care-free. We look forward to serving you!

[BOOK NOW](#)

Your Quote Details

30-pax Trolley



Pick Up - 17 May 12:00 PM

Wayzata
, Wayzata, MN 55391

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Drop Off - 17 May 4:00 PM

Wayzata
, Wayzata, MN 55391

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Vehicle Subtotal

\$1214.4
0

[BOOK NOW](#)

Quote # 52191

Event Date: May 17th, 2026

Name: Alan Sharpe

Time: 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Email: asharpe@wayzata.org

Vehicle Type: 30-pax Trolley

Phone: 19524045312

Occasion: Corporate Event



Best regards,

Events Team - Renee's Limousines

Phone: [\(763\) 551-1919](tel:(763)551-1919)

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**City of Wayzata
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MEETING DATE: February 25, 2026	AGENDA ITEM: 4.c
TITLE: Review of 2025 Work Plan and Generate 2026 Work Plan	
PROPOSED MOTION: N/A	
PREPARED BY: Haily Hedblom, Planner	
REVIEWED BY: 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
https://pocketsights.com/tours/tour/Wayzata-Historic-Downtown-Wayzata-Walking-Tour-3951
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
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MEETING DATE: February 25, 2026	AGENDA ITEM: 5.a
TITLE: City Calendar and Minutes Rotation Schedule	
PROPOSED MOTION: N/A	
PREPARED BY: Alex Sharpe, Community Development Director	
REVIEWED BY:	

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

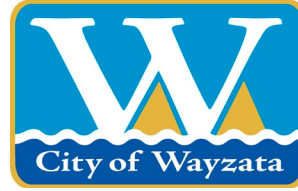
BACKGROUND:

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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June 2026						
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July 2026						
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August 2026						
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September 2026						
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October 2026						
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November 2026						
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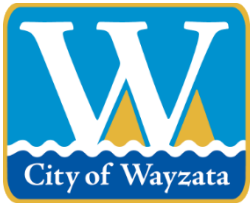
- Energy & Environment 5:30 PM
- Planning Commission - 6:30 PM
- City Council - 7:00 PM
- Local Board of Appeal & Equalization - TBD April 2026
- Charter Commission - 9:00 AM
- Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD)
- Heritage Preservation Board (HPB) - 2:00 PM
- Housing & Redevelopment Authority (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.

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2026 Heritage Preservation Board Meeting Schedule January - March

Heritage Preservation Board Revised Meeting Date & Time			
<u>Month/Year</u>	<u>Original Date/Time</u>	<u>Revised Date/Time</u>	<u>Meeting Room</u>
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



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

MEETING DATE: February 25, 2026	AGENDA ITEM: 6.a
TITLE: New Business from Members	
PROPOSED MOTION: N/A	
PREPARED BY: Haily Hedblom, Planner	
REVIEWED BY: 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