WABASHA HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION

April 27, 2026 9:00 a.m.

AGENDA

1. **Call to Order** *(Chair)*

2. **Changes or Additions to Agenda** *(Open)*

3. **Approval of minutes** *(Commission)*
   1. Date of Minutes - 3-23-26

4. **Design Review-**
   1. 170 Pembroke Ave - Sippi's Pub & Grub Sign Update
   2. 260 West Main Street - Herb + Arrow Windows/Doors Replacement
   3. 137 Pembroke Ave SVJ - Mural Proposal

5. **Possible upcoming review/request for assistance:**

6. **Old Business/Subcommittee Work**
   1. Main Street Update: Flicek

7. **New Business**

8. **Other Business**

9. **Announcements**

10. **Next Meeting Date: TBD - (falls on Memorial Day)**

11. **Adjourn (Chair)**

Heritage Preservation Commission **3. 1.**

Meeting Date: 04/27/2026

SUBJECT:

DEPARTMENT: Administration

TITLE:

Date of Minutes - 3-23-26

PURPOSE:

Attachments

3-23-26 HPC Minutes

D R A F T

HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES
MARCH 23, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

Present: Linda Mann, Commissioner; Mary Flicek, Commissioner; Emily Durand, Commissioner; John Rivers, Commissioner; Jenny Palmen, Commissioner

Absent: Bill Jewson, Commissioner

Also Present: Lisa Springer, Office Manager

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Durand at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Flicek joined the meeting at 9:02 a.m.

2. Changes or Additions to Agenda

It was clarified that the HPC does not need to approve the relocation of the Community Roots mural (Item 7.2).

3. **Approval of Minutes**

1. Date of Minutes 2-23-26
The minutes were clarified.

Motion made by Commissioner Jenny Palmen, seconded by Commissioner Linda Mann to approve the meeting minutes, as amended.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

4. **Design Review**

1. 180 W. Main Street - Rear Deck, Door, AC Move (2nd Story)
Chair Durand provided background information and detailed the application. The location and design of the proposed deck and door were clarified. The design review checklist was reviewed.

Motion made by Commissioner Linda Mann, seconded by Commissioner Jenny Palmen to approve the design review application from George Hill pertaining to 180 West Main Street as submitted.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

5. **Possible Upcoming Review / Request for Assistance**
Recent Downtown business ownership changes were referenced. Signage was discussed. A potential pop-up retail opportunity was discussed.

6. **Old Business / Subcommittee Work**

1. Main Street Update
Commissioner Flicek reviewed current Wabasha Main Street activities, including plans to relocate the Community Roots mural from the former Wabasha Food Share building. Potential locations, the mural structure, and relocation costs were discussed. Commissioner Flicek also provided grant updates and detailed current projects.

Commissioner Flicek and Chair Durand discussed an upcoming legislative advocacy day at the State Capitol.

2. NAPC FORUM / PreserveMN Conference 2026
Chair Durand reported that the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (NAPC) and PreserveMN will be hosting a combined forum / conference in July. It was noted that scholarships may be available. Commissioners indicated their interest in attending all or a portion of the conference, which will be held July 22-26 in Minneapolis. The early-bird registration process was discussed.

7. **New Business**

1. Wabasha Main Street looking for Brown Highway Signage for "Historic Downtown" Endorsement
Chair Durand provided background information and suggested that the HPC consider endorsing the signage project. Following the vote, Chair Durand indicated that she will draft a letter of support.

Motion made by Commissioner Mary Flicek, seconded by Commissioner Linda Mann to endorse the proposed DOT (brown) highway signage.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

2. Approval for Relocation of Community Roots Mural
Chair Durand clarified that no HPC action is needed. Potential mural locations were further discussed.

8. **Other Business**
There was no other business.

9. Announcements

There were no announcements.

10. Next Meeting Date: April 27, 2026

Commissioner Rivers indicated that he will be unable to attend the April meeting.

HPC officers and a vacancy were discussed. Member recruitment was discussed.

11. Adjourn

Motion made by Commissioner Jenny Palmen, seconded by Commissioner John Rivers to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

Respectfully submitted by:_____
Wendy Busch, City Clerk

_____
Adopted Date

Heritage Preservation Commission **4. 1.**

Meeting Date: 04/27/2026

SUBJECT: 170 Pembroke Ave - Sippi's Pub & Grub Sign Update

DEPARTMENT: Administration

TITLE:

170 Pembroke Ave - Sippi's Pub & Grub Sign Update

PURPOSE:

New owners for the 170 Pembroke Ave are looking to update signage for the name change to the old Silver Star Saloon. Sippi's Pub & Grub would like to update all window signage as well as a projecting and suspended sign. Please see the attached application and supporting documents to provide a commission review.

ACTION REQUIRED:

Motion to approve or deny the application submitted for updated signage at 170 Pembroke Ave, Sippi's Pub & Grub dated 4/14/2026.

Attachments

170 Sippis Pub & Grub Sign Application

Sippi's sign specs

CITY OF WABASHA

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
DESIGN REVIEW APPLICATION

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Address of Design Review: 170 Pembroke AVE

Applicant Name: Ryan Stender **Phone:** 507 258 0463

Address: 70555 202nd AVE Reads Landing 55968

Email: Sippisun@yahoo.com

Owner Name (if different): _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Historical use or name of building or site (if known)

_____

Type of work proposed (*attach additional pages as necessary*)

Hanging Sign and Window Stickers

_____

_____

ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED:

1. **A current photograph of the building or site where work is proposed.**
2. **An illustration of the proposed work to be completed.**
3. **Samples of exterior materials, paint chips, or other appropriate material examples.**
4. **Historic photos (if available) of the site/building where work is proposed.**

Ryan Stender 4/14/26

Applicants Signature **Date**

Office use only.

Date application submitted: _____ Date application complete: _____

15-day notice: _____ 60-day notice: _____

HISTORIC DISTRICT DESIGN REVIEW CHECKLIST
QUICK LIST FOR PREPARING APPLICATION

☐ Current Photos of the building/site where changes will occur.
(include both views from the street and close-up details of the area to be changed and features already present)

☐ Detailed sketch of proposed changes to the site.
(The more involved the project, the more detailed your sketch should be. For some projects an architect-produced drawing may be recommended)

☐ Paint chips and/or sample materials to be used.

☐ Historic photos or information about the history of the building and site. (if available)

☐ Provide a timeline for construction (when do you expect to start and complete the project?)

☐ The **application form along with the assembled items above must be submitted 1 week prior** to the meeting where the design review will occur.
(sample materials may be brought to the meeting if not available ahead of time)

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651-565-4568 or **clerk@wabasha.org**

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P.O. Box 268, Wabasha, MN 55981

(For staff use only)
Date Received: 4-14-26
Submitted to HPC ✓ Yes ___ No
Date Submitted 4-14-26
Submitted to Planning Commission
___Yes ___ No
Date Submitted _____

SIGN PERMIT APPLICATION

Legal Description: _____ Date: 4/14/26

Owner: Ryan Stender Phone: 507 258 0463

Address: 70555 202nd Ave Reads Landing MN 55968

Applicant: Ryan Stender Phone: 507 258 0463

Address: 70555 202nd Ave Reads Landing MN 55968

Address where sign will be placed: 170 Demorest Ave (attach illustration also)

Zoning District

- [ ] Residential Conservancy
- [ ] RR Growth
- [ ] R2 Residential
- [ ] GC General Commercial
- [ ] I Industrial
- [ ] Historic District
- [ ] RR Limited Ag.
- [ ] R1 Residential
- [ ] TDC Traditional Downtown Commercial
- [ ] HC Highway Commercial
- [ ] Shoreland Overlay (S1, S2, S3, S4)
- [ ] CUP required

Number of new signs proposed _____

Type of Sign Requested (check as many as apply)

- [X] Attached/Wall
- [ ] Projecting
- [ ] Suspended
- [ ] Permanent Freestanding _____ (type e.g. post)
- [X] Window Sign
- [ ] Temporary _____ (type)
- [ ] Banner/Flag Sign
- [ ] Awning Sign
- [ ] Portable Freestanding _____ (type e.g. post)
- [ ] Other _____ (see definitions)

Is lighting proposed? Yes [ ] No [X] If yes, describe _____ (type, intensity, location)

Please provide a list of existing signs to be retained (indicating sign, location, & size)

Attach drawing or photograph of the proposed sign including dimensions and location (see reverse side).

I hereby certify with my signature that all data on my application form, plans and specifications is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Ryan Stender
Signature of applicant

Fee: _____

Granted: _____ Rejected: _____
date date

_____
signature – authorized city personnel

All signs:

An illustration to scale indicating the proposed sign and the location of the sign on the building or property is required. **Please attach diagram with the following proposed <u>indicated on the diagram</u>[1]:**

1. Size of Sign
    - Length
    - Height
    - Total Sign Area (sq. ft.)
2. Size of Lettering or written message
    - Length
    - Height (if upper case and lower case are different height, please specify both)
    - Percentage of Sign covered in Lettering or written message
3. Sign Location
    - Footage of building/lot frontage (linear footage) _____
    - Setbacks (if sign is not attached to building)
        - Street Setback
        - Side Setback
        - Front Setback
        - Distances from building, sidewalks and street
    - Location on the building (if attached to the building)
        - Distance from roof line
        - Distance from building sides
        - Distance from ground
        - Distance from wall (for projecting signs)
        - Distance from closest doors and windows
4. Lighting (please indicate if no lighting is proposed)
    - Style of lighting (illustration or sample)
    - Location of proposed lighting (both the fixture and aim of the beam)
    - Brightness or intensity of lighting (wattage or photometric information)
5. Sign material & construction method (including Separate pieces, parts, or attachments to the sign with method of attachment if any)
6. Color - True color diagram or diagram keyed to separate paint chips provided
7. Any additional information as identified by staff or the HPC

[1] Provide as many diagrams, illustrations, or samples as needed to be complete with your submittal. Applications are considered incomplete without a diagram.


Tex Mex
Burgers
Mac N Cheese
Beer
Wine
Cocktails
Pull Tabs
&
E-Tabs
WELCOME


Sippi's
Pub
Grub
Wabasha, MN
HOURS OF OPERATION
Monday - Friday
11a-close
Saturday - Sunday
8a-close

26"

19"

19"

22"

14"

Tex Mex
Burgers
Mac N Cheese

Beer
Wine
Cocktails

Pull Tabs
&
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17"

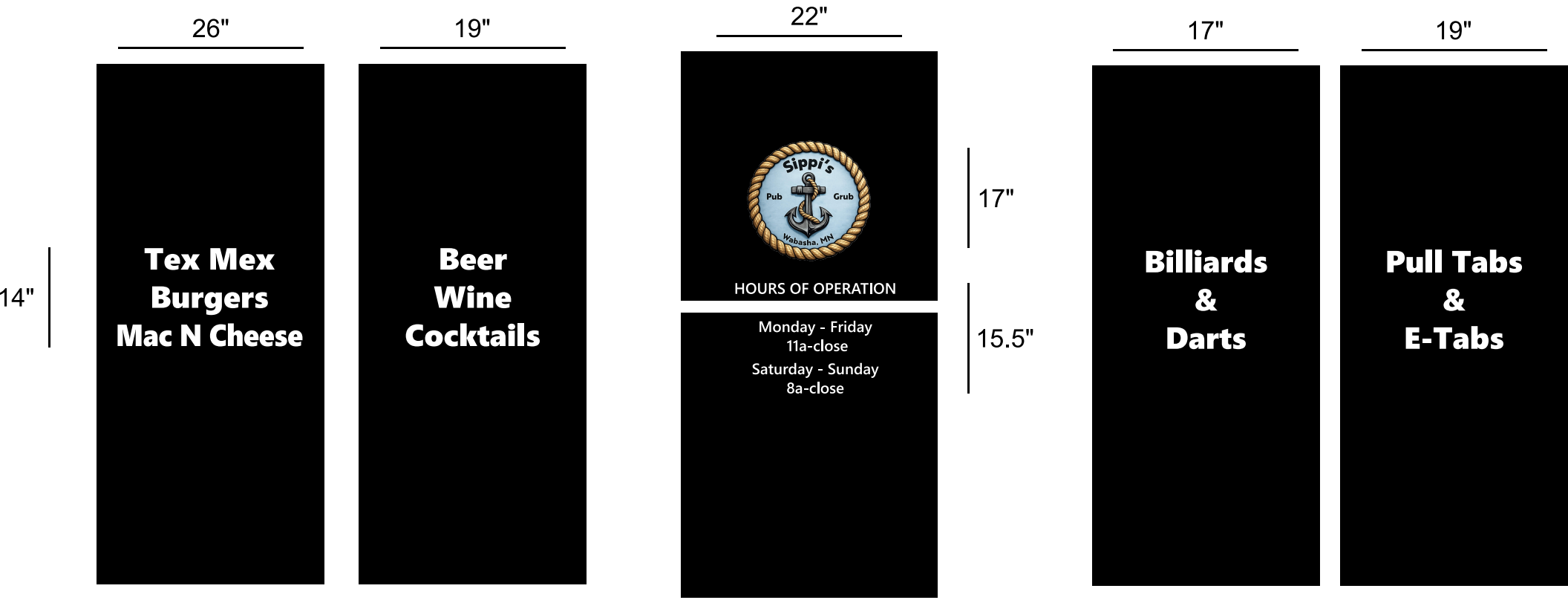
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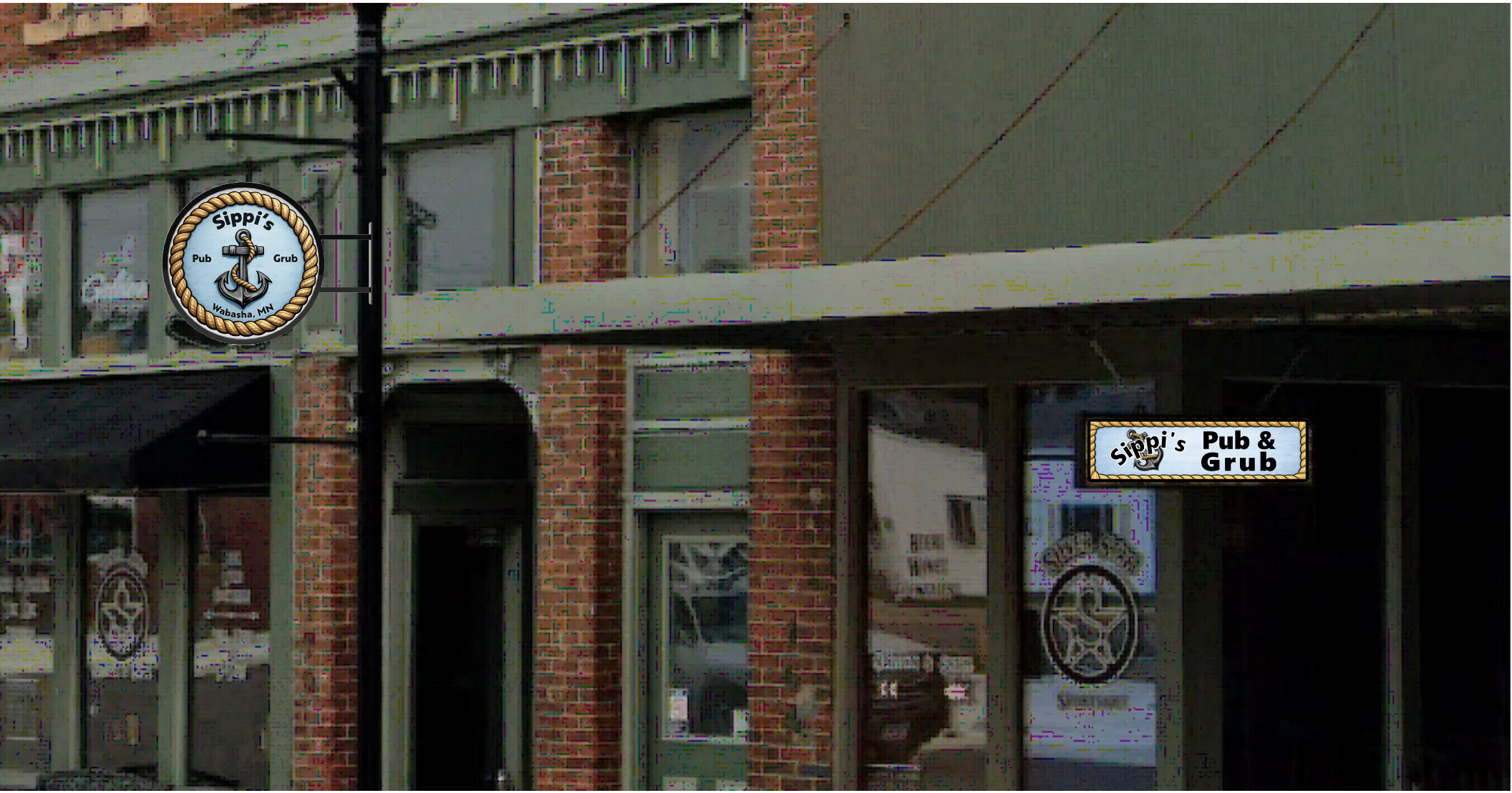
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Saturday - Sunday
8a-close

15.5"

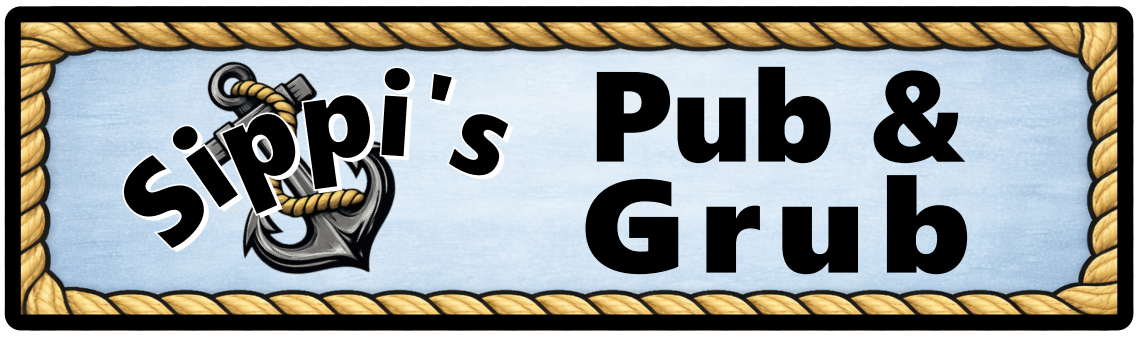

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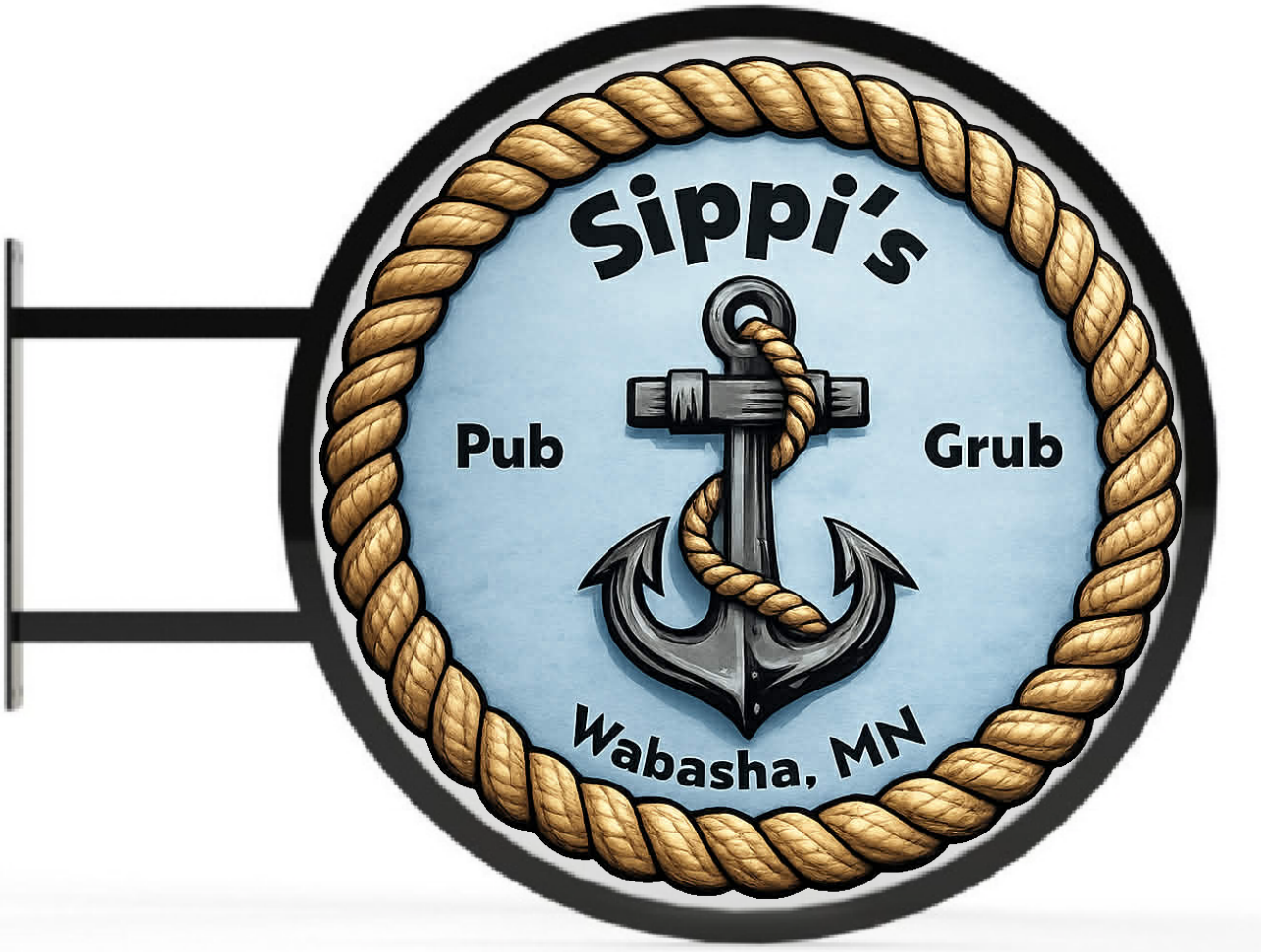

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Sippi's
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Wabasha, MN
Sippi's Pub &
Grub

26"

10"





26"

Heritage Preservation Commission **4. 2.**

Meeting Date: 04/27/2026

SUBJECT: 260 West Main Street - Herb + Arrow Windows/Doors Replacement

DEPARTMENT: Administration

TITLE:

260 West Main Street - Herb + Arrow Windows/Doors Replacement

PURPOSE:

An application from Herb & Arrow has come in for front and rear window and door replacement. Staff recommends forming a subcommittee to assist the applicant with moving forward with the project.

Attachments

Application

herb & arrow window door pic

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Address of Design Review: 260 west main st

Applicant Name: Danielle Sorensen **Phone:** 6515640635

Address: PO Box 231 Kellogg MN 55945

Email: herbanarrow@outlook.com

Owner Name (if different): _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Historical use or name of building or site (if known)

Herb+Arrow

Type of work proposed (*attach additional pages as necessary*)

Replacement windows and doors to front and back of building. Our contractor will be looking at the site in the near future and following HPC guidelines.

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Danielle Sorensen 4/21/26

Applicants Signature **Date**

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Heritage Preservation Commission **4. 3.**

Meeting Date: 04/27/2026

SUBJECT: 137 Pembroke Ave SVJ - Mural Proposal

DEPARTMENT: Administration

TITLE:

137 Pembroke Ave SVJ - Mural Proposal

PURPOSE:

Please find the attached application and request to pursue a Mural for the SVJ building at 137 Pembroke Ave. Below is an email from owners Shelly & Dave Speedling.

Dave and I have a large scale project that requires community artist involvement and additional grant financing. We seek approval first so we don't expend significant effort furthering this only to find we can't proceed in the historic district. We feel this would be an incredible draw to downtown as well. It would take some more professional advise from other towns that have done this large scale of project, but Wabasha is perfect for this with this building and expert advice from Sue Mundy, which we would seek and others who have worked on projects like this. Dave and I have personally seen other murals in tourist towns and they were fantastic and eye catching. Our building has a perfect location. This is a very ambitious project that involves the arts community. I have attached other mural projects for reference.

Attachments

Historic-Design-Review-SVJ Creative Designs Pembroke Mural 2026

137 Pembroke Mural Collections

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Address of Design Review: SVJ Creative Designs 131 Pembroke Ave., Wabasha, MN 55945

Applicant Name: Shelly & David Speedling **Phone:** 507-767-3039

Address: 62099 Hwy 42, Kellogg, MN 55945

Email: info@svjcreativedesigns.com

Owner Name (if different): _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Historical use or name of building or site (if known)

Jacob Finchy Building

Type of work proposed (*attach additional pages as necessary*)

Full patriotic mural on entire brick wall of SVJ Creative Designs building which would extend also onto the backside of the garage building. Photos attached for example - illustration could change up from what is shown. Mural would be painted on mural substrates, such as MDO panels (medium overlay), Aluminum Composite Panels (ACP and Masonite, Cementitious Board, or Polytab (parachute cloth). The murals would be ~~painted with professional acrylic paints and secured to the brick using heavy duty adhesive or drilling into t~~he mortar joints to avoid damaging the bricks itself. Seeking permission for this first, then would seek help in securing grants to make happen. This is something we would need to collaborate with the arts community in order to achieve. We just need approval that this is okay first, then would seek out costs/grant possibilities.

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Applicants Signature **Date**

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Photos attached

[X] Paint chips and/or sample materials to be used. Professional Acrylic Paints, Mural Substrates as listed in the application. At this point I do not have samples. Wishing to seek approval first to be able to do this large scale project.

[X] Historic photos or information about the history of the building and site. (if available) Photos attached. We are a Paul Bruhn National Grant Recipient for which the upstairs of our building will be getting remodeled for heating/cooling and remodeled enclosed porch. We will also be getting new windows/doors upstairs.

[X] Provide a timeline for construction (when do you expect to start and complete the project?) We don't anticipate this to happen overnight, but seek permission that it would be okay to accomplish within a 5-10 year period. We think this would be very appealing to downtown Wabasha, especially being located near the National Eagle Center and a short distance from the VFW & Veterans Memorial Park. We would seek out professional advise on this.

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Heros Wall


Small Heros Wall



Buffalo WY


Full Face Wall



Chicago Mural



Czech-Republic Wall