Resolution of the South Fourth and Fifth Avenue Historic District Study Committee

Whereas, the Fourth and Fifth Avenue Historic District Study Committee has completed its study of the South Fourth and Fifth Avenues study area, as charged by resolution of City Council R-09-345, passed on August 6, 2009;

Whereas, the Study Committee has approved a final report and recommendation to City Council to establish a historic district;

Whereas, based on its research, the Study Committee has reason to believe that other properties near this proposed historic district have historic value and should be further studied for the possible future expansion of this proposed district or the creation of an additional district;

Whereas, the Study Committee received numerous comments at the public hearing from residents of these nearby areas supporting the inclusion of their properties in a historic district;

Whereas, the Michigan State Historic Preservation Office, after reviewing the Study Committee's Preliminary Report, provided comments to the Study Committee indicating that properties in the vicinity of Hamilton Place, immediately east of the proposed district, appear to have historic value related to the proposed district;

RESOLVED, that the Study Committee strongly recommends that City Council direct further study of properties near this proposed historic district for possible future expansion of the proposed district or the creation of an additional district;

RESOLVED, that the Study Committee recommends that such further study include at a minimum those properties and resources to the immediate south of the proposed district, between Packard, Madison, and Main Street, and immediately east of the proposed district, between South Division, East William, Fifth Avenue, and Packard.

RESOLVED, that the Study Committee recommends that City Council authorize the continuation of the present Study Committee for the purpose of conducting this further study or create a new study committee for this purpose.

Moved by Wineberg, supported by Whitaker. Yes -7, No-0

Adopted by the Committee on May 17, 2010.