HST-321: Peer Review Worksheet

Your name: ____________________________________________ Paper Author’s Name: ___________________________

1. From your perspective as a reader, consider the introductory and concluding paragraphs. What does the author do best to situate their essay into a scholarly context? Can you identify one or two specific sentences which approach the sophistication of phrasing you see in the scholarly books and articles we have read this term?

2. From your perspective as a reader, what do the introductory and concluding paragraphs do best in explaining the significance of the paper to urban history? Which sentences or arguments succeed most in showing a summary vision that is more than the individual parts?

3. From your perspective as a reader, what does the author do best in analyzing primary source evidence? How effectively does this primary evidence help to answer the research question and support the paper's theses?

4. From your perspective as a reader, which single paragraph contained the most original arguments? Why?

5. Among the articles and books we have read this term, which one or two not already mentioned by the author might be of particular value in placing their case study into a broader scholarly context?

6. From your perspective as a reader, what is the one thing the author does best in this piece?

6. From your perspective as a reader, what is the one most significant improvement the author could make to this piece?