



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

DESCHUTES COUNTY HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

5:30 PM, MONDAY, AUGUST 04, 2025

Barnes Sawyer Rooms - Deschutes Services Bldg - 1300 NW Wall St – Bend

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AGENDA

MEETING FORMAT

The Historic Landmarks Commission will conduct this meeting electronically, by phone, in person, and using Zoom.

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 3 and May 5

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

IV. ACTION ITEMS

1. HLC Membership Update
2. Women's History Multi-Property Documentation Project - Evan West, Oregon Heritage/State Historic Preservation Office
3. Goal 5 Cultural Areas Rulemaking Update

4. Subcommittee Roundup

V. HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS

VI. ADJOURN



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**MEMORANDUM**

DATE: July 28, 2025

TO: Deschutes County Historic Landmarks Commission

FROM: Tanya Saltzman, AICP, Senior Planner
Will Groves, Planning Manager

RE: August 4, 2025 - Historic Landmarks Commission Meeting

The Historic Landmarks Commission (HLC) will conduct its regular meeting on August 4, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the Deschutes Services Center, Barnes and Sawyer rooms, in-person, electronically and by phone. This memorandum will serve as an outline of all agenda items.

Please note: the Deschutes County Meeting Portal is located at the below link. All meeting materials as well as live video may be found there:

<https://www.deschutes.org/meetings>

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Public Comment**
- III. Approval of Minutes – February 3 and May 5, 2025 (provided via email on June 4, 2025)**
- IV. Action Items**

1. HLC Membership Update

As the HLC is aware, Commissioner Christopher resigned from the HLC earlier this year. Staff posted a recruitment, which closed on June 30. Staff received one application and is in the process of convening an interview committee. Once the interview is complete, staff will relay the recommendation to the HLC via email and then, if successful, to the Board of County Commissioners.

2. Women's History Multi-Property Documentation Project – Evan West, Oregon Heritage, State Historic Preservation Office

Evan West, Survey and Inventory Coordinator from Oregon Heritage/State Historic Preservation Office, will give a presentation about the Women's History MPD Project.

3. Goal 5 Cultural Areas Rulemaking Update

On December 5, the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) held its deliberation session and consideration of adoption of the rulemaking for Goal 5 Cultural Areas following the public hearing that was held in September. LCDC ultimately voted to adopt the proposed rules, effective January 1, 2026. Staff provided an overview of these rules at the February HLC meeting.

However, since that time, DLCD staff have identified several discrete refinements to recommend the Land Conservation and Development Commission consider. These pertain to who can bring an application forth to amend a comprehensive plan to place a culturally significant landscape feature on a local inventory, and how local governments should process this type of application (legislative or quasi-judicial). A third area of clarification pertains to Metro's urban growth boundary expansion process, which is not relevant to Deschutes County.

Legislative versus quasi-judicial:

- Not all governments have a process for accepting applications for legislative amendments (Deschutes County does).
- Concern expressed for the time legislative amendments could take (no clock exists for them as it does for most quasi-judicial)

Who can submit applications:

- The current language allows applications to be brought by Federally Recognized Tribes in Oregon and other culturally identified groups.
- The RAC heard from a representative of the Nez Perce Tribe and LCDC received comments from the Cowlitz Tribe who would like to be recognized in this rule.
- From the meeting notes: "RAC members expressed preference for limiting the opportunity to bring amendments directly to federally recognized Tribes in Oregon. They said this would reduce opportunity for mischief by non-Tribal culturally identified groups and reduce the possibility of local protections allowing for access to private property."

Current status: Rulemaking has been reopened and the (Rules Advisory Committee) RAC met in May, June, and July (notes not yet available for July meeting). The committee's final meeting will be after the Land Conservation and Development Commission hearing at their meeting September 25-26, and before the close of public comment on October 5, 2025. Staff are recommending an effective

date for the rule of June 30, 2026 to give local governments time to adopt procedures for notifying tribes that are consistent with the rule. Originally, the rules were to become effective on January 1, 2026. This means that any County legislative process to adopt new code pertaining to the rulemaking will be delayed to reflect this timing change.

4. Subcommittee Roundup

Subcommittees have the opportunity to provide updates on any activities since the last meeting. Those committees are as follows:

1. Cultural resource work – Commissioners Hudson and Stemach
2. Wildfire and preservation issues – Commissioners Ashley and Syphers
3. Camp Abbot – Commissioner Hudson
4. General public awareness issues/education/Preservation Month: Commissioners Stemach, Ashley, Syphers

V. Staff and Commissioner Comments

VI. Adjourn