



GRASS VALLEY

Historical Commission Meeting

Tuesday, December 10, 2024 at 3:00 PM
Council Chambers, Grass Valley City Hall | 125 East Main Street, Grass Valley, California
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AGENDA

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MEETING NOTICE

Historical Commission welcomes you to attend the meetings electronically or in person at the City Hall Council Chambers, located at 125 E. Main St., Grass Valley, CA 95945. Regular Meetings are scheduled at 4:00 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Your interest is encouraged and appreciated.

Members of the public are encouraged to submit public comments via voicemail at (530) 274-4390 and email to public@cityofgrassvalley.com. Comments will be reviewed and distributed before the meeting if received by 9 am. Comments received after that will be addressed during the item and/or at the end of the meeting. The commission will have the option to modify their action on items based on comments received. Action may be taken on any agenda item.

Agenda materials, staff reports, and background information related to regular agenda items are available on the City's website: www.cityofgrassvalley.com. Materials related to an item on this agenda submitted to the Commission after distribution of the agenda packet will be made available on the City of Grass Valley website at www.cityofgrassvalley.com, subject to City staff's ability to post the documents before the meeting.

Please note, individuals who disrupt, disturb, impede, or render infeasible the orderly conduct of a meeting will receive one warning that, if they do not cease such behavior, they may be removed from the meeting. The chair has authority to order individuals removed if they do not cease their disruptive behavior following this warning. No warning is required before an individual is removed if that individual engages in a use of force or makes a true threat of force. (Gov. Code, § 54957.95.)

Council Chambers are wheelchair accessible and listening devices are available. Other special accommodations may be requested to the City Clerk 72 hours in advance of the meeting by calling (530) 274-4390, we are happy to accommodate.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the Minutes of November 12th, 2024

PUBLIC COMMENT - *Members of the public are encouraged to submit public comments via voicemail at (530) 274-4390 and email to public@cityofgrassvalley.com. Comments will be reviewed and distributed before the meeting if received by 3pm. Comments received after 3pm will be addressed during the item and/or at the end of the meeting. Historical Commission will have the option to modify their action on items based on comments received. Action may be taken on any agenda item. There is a time limitation of three minutes per person for all emailed, voicemail, or in person comments, and only one type of public comment per person. For any items not on the agenda, and within the jurisdiction or interest of the City, please come to the podium at this time. If you wish to speak regarding a scheduled agenda item, please come to the podium when the item is announced. When recognized, please begin by providing your name and address for the record (optional).*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AGENDA ITEMS

2. Grass Valley Historical Walking Tour
 - a. Website for Tour
 - b. Heritage Home Book
 - c. Metalwork
 - d. Discussion of Walking Brochure
 - e. Discussion of Location of the statue/brochures/QR codes
 - f. Commission Report to Council
3. Approval of the Guidelines for the Howard Levin Historical Award - Awarded annually by City Council, on the recommendation of the Historical Commission, to a person or persons who have enhanced the historical significance of the City of Grass Valley, whether through writing, research, or physical enhancement.
4. Update on Mill and Main St. plaques and landmark designations
5. Update on the Narrow Gauge Wall
6. Update on Commission meeting with Landmark Commission
7. Next steps regarding Pioneer Cemeteries

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POSTING NOTICE

This is to certify that the above notice of a meeting of a Historical Commission, scheduled for Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 4:00 PM, was posted at city hall, easily accessible to the public, as of 5:00 PM Friday, December 6, 2024.

Taylor Whittingslow, City Clerk

Grass Valley Historical Commission

Minutes of Tuesday, November 12, 2024

Commissioners Present: Albrecht, McAteer, Poston, Reilly and Savelli

The meeting was called to order by Chair McAteer at 3:00 pm

Public Comment: none

Commission approved the minutes of October 8, 2024 (motion by Poston, second by Albrecht, unanimously adopted)

1. Historical Guideline Review will be taken up at a later date
2. Chair McAteer provided a brief report about his appearance before the City Council. They approved to two historical landmarks submitted and offered support for the walking tour.
3. Comm. Poston with work with Nevada County Landmarks Commission Chair Zimmerman to finalize the two pending applications.
4. Comm. Savelli provided an impassioned report about the Commission getting involved in saving the Narrow Gauge RR site. This will be agendized for next meeting. Public member Duane Strawser also urged commission assistance in enhancing the property.
5. Commissioners agreed to visit the Pioneer Jewish Cemetery in town and a discussion will take place next meeting.
6. A prolonged discussion about the Historical Walk took place. Comm Reilly will investigate tying the Mural website with the Heritage Home site and the upcoming walking tour. Comm Albrecht will provide copies of various manuals regarding the downtown historic section and look into costs of reproduction the Heritage Home booklet. Comm. Savelli will report back regarding the historical metal plaques. Commissioners agreed to seek out a located for the proposed tribute to the pastie/walking tour QR Code/brochure location.
7. Chair McAteer proposed establishing an annual historical award. Commissioners agreed that it should be named for Howard Levine. McAteer will provide criteria at the next meeting.
8. Chair McAteer agreed to contact Nevada County Landmarks Commission Chair Zimmerman for a joint meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 pm

Next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, December 10th at 3 pm.