Historic Resources Advisory Committee
January 4, 2023 at 5:00 PM
MINUTES

I. Call to Order
   a. Chair Jones called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.
II. Roll Call
   a. Committee members present: Zane Jones, Shauna McMahon, Sarah Hieb, Shannon Crossley, Gary Gillette, Don Harris
   b. Committee members absent: Olivia Lihou, Dorene Lorenz, Chuck Smythe
   c. Staff present: Beth McKibben, Planner, Cory Woodall Juneau City Museum
   d. Members of the public present: Laurie Craig, Joshua Adams, Tony Tengs, John Ingalls, Fred Triem, Skip Gray, Michael Tripp
III. Approval of Agenda
   a. Motion Gillette/Second Harris to approve the agenda.
      Motion passed by consensus.
IV. Approval of Minutes
   a. September 13, 2022
   b. October 5, 2022
   c. December 3, 2022

   Motion Hieb/Second Gillette to approve the September 13, October 5 and December 3, 2022 minutes with corrections as noted.
   Motion passed by consensus.
V. Public Participation
   a. Telephone Hill – Skip Gray provided a letter and drone photos of the Telephone Hill neighborhood. He expressed concern that the transfer of the properties from the State of Alaska to the City may endanger the historic resources of the neighborhood. He suggested the 1984 Historic Structure Survey and Inventory for the Telephone Hill Historic District be posted on the HRAC web page. It was noted that this study is on the HRAC webpage and that staff would provide the link to Mr. Gray.

      Gray suggested an update to the Survey. It was noted that is identified in the 2020 Historic and Cultural Preservation Plan and the HRAC 2023 Work Plan.

      There was discussion about nominating the Telephone Hill Historic District as federally recognized historic district. He requested that HRAC invite the Friends of Telephone Hill to a future meeting to present a history of the area. He also suggested the HRAC make a formal recommendation to the Assembly supporting the preservation of the neighborhood.

   b. Joshua Adams, Tony Tengs, John Ingalls and Fred Triem supported Mr. Gray's presentation and expressed an interest in preserving the historic structures in that historic district.

VI. Agenda Topics

a. Approval of HRAC Work Plan
There was a general discussion of the work plan presented.
Motion McMahon/Second Gillette to approve the 2023 Work Plan as presented.
Motion passed by consensus.

b. CLG Grant Award
A copy of the award letter was provided in the packet. No action by the HRAC is needed at this time.

c. Design Review – 259 S. Franklin Street
Shannon Crossley recused herself as a member of HRAC.

Ms. Crossley gave a presentation of the proposed renovations at 259 S. Franklin Street. The building was built in the 90' and is not a contributing building. Proposed renovations include a revised recessed single entry way, updated horizontal siding, windows and canopy.

Mr. Tripp, the building owner explained the reasons for the renovations and the time line for the work.

HRAC reviewed the Downtown Historic District Guidelines for new construction, which also applies to non-contributing buildings and found the proposal consistent with the guidelines and an overall improvement to the current exterior.

Motion Gillette/Second McMahon HRAC finds the proposed exterior renovations to be consistent with the Downtown Historic District Guidelines and recommends approval.

Motion passed with unanimous consent.

Ms. Crossley rejoined the Committee.

VII. Committee/Liaison Comments & Questions

HRAC asked staff to invite Gina Morris with the DBA to the February meeting to begin discussions for community outreach and education.

HRAC asked staff to invite Maria Lewis with Alaska State Historic Preservation Office - Office of History & Archaeology to the February meeting to discuss grant opportunities.

VIII. Adjournment

a. Motion McMahon/Second Harris to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 PM.