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Historic Resources Advisory Committee Agenda

December 4, 2024 at 5:00pm

Downtown Library Conference Room/Zoom

MEETING MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gillette called the meeting to order at 5:08 PM.

B. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge the Áak'w Kwaan and T'aaku Kwaan as the original owners and inhabitants of the City & Borough of Juneau. We are grateful to be here in your ancestral homeland as we come to you from areas of Alaska and beyond. We are thankful that you have permitted us to live here and make this land our home. Gunalchéesh.

C. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present: Gary Gillette, Cheryl Jebe

Committee members present via zoom: Shannon Crossley, Steve Winker and Dorene Lorenz.

Committee members absent: Jerrick Hope-Lang, Robin Brenner

Staff present: Scott Ciambor

Members of the public present: None

Members of the public present via zoom: None

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Lorenz motioned that the agenda be approved with addition of Head Tax Suggestions to the agenda. Motion approved. 6-0.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. 11.06.2024 HRAC draft minutes

Ms. Lorenz motioned to approve the minutes from November 6, 2024, HRAC meeting; Ms.

Lorenz seconded the motion. Motion approved. 6-0.

F. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No public participation.

G. AGENDA TOPICS

2. New Business:

1. HDDR 455 S. Franklin Street – Nycole Gizinski from R&M in Ketchikan came to HRAC with two design options for 455 S. Franklin Street with discussions on how the proposed design fits the design standards for the historic district in March, 2024. Committee members gave advice on the design, steering the designer away from a NanaWall option. The board was presented with a final design that met Downtown Juneau design standards and an architect's choice with the Nanawall still represented. Mrs. Crossley commented that the Nanawall



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does not fit the character of the historic district, and motioned to approve the design as shown on G100 with the two sets of double doors, but do not approve the owner preferred design with the Nanawall. Mr. Winker seconded the motion.

2. Letter to CBJ HRC – Chair Gillette presented a letter he drafted to HRC trying to frame the discussion with our primary concerns regarding HRAC’s role in the greater city government, the historic preservation budget that use to exist within CDD, and HRAC’s desire to continue National Register Nominations of neighborhoods. A lot of programs have been lost to aid preservation in Juneau, and all of these things combined are detrimental to the viability of our historic district. We are hoping to reinvigorate and recapture interest in historic preservation in Juneau from the City Government, many of which are called out in the Cultural Preservation Plan adopted by the Assembly. We hope to be included in the Assembly’s budget and for support for CDD and HRAC in the preservation goals outlined in the adopted plan.

2. Letter to CBJ Tourism Manager – Secretary Crossley and Chair Gillette proposed a letter to Alex Pierce, CBJ Tourism Manager, about historic preservation opportunities and projects to use the CBJ head tax toward. Secretary Crossley suggested a walking tour for tourists to scan QR codes throughout the community and take themselves on a walking tour of the historic downtown neighborhoods with a focus on Alaskan Native history. Suggestions included where the No Natives Allowed signage in Downtown Juneau that inspired Elizabeth Peratrovich to stand up for Civil Rights, the home of Richard Harris and his Tlingit wife on Telephone Hill, the rented home of William Paul on Main Street while he worked as the first Alaskan Native legislator, and the location of the second Village in Downtown Juneau after Rockwell “negotiated” the relocation of the 300+ Tlingit that camped on the beach of downtown Juneau while the prospectors waited for Spring. Chair Gillette proposed a gateway into Downtown Juneau to direct tourists into our downtown historic core, with signage and with a gateway of sorts built to direct visitors. A suggestion is by the Red Dog, another is Marine Way. Bringing people into our historic core is vital to a functioning historic district. Secretary Crossley motioned to include both suggestions in a letter to Mrs. Pierce, and Ms. Lorenz seconded.

H. COMMITTEE MEMBER / LIAISON COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Blueprint Downtown will be introduced to the assembly on December 18th.

I. NEXT MEETING DATE – January 8, 2025

J. ADJOURNMENT

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