

Historical Preservation Commission Minutes

The regular meeting of the Historical Preservation Commission was held June 13, 2023 at 3:30 PM in the Community Room of the City/County Building at 414 E. Callender Street. This meeting was facilitated by Chair Jack Luther.

1. Call to Order (3:35 pm)

2. Roll Call (recording 0:20 mins)

In attendance: HPC Members Jack Luther, Lindie Gibson, Kristin Vanderland, Tom Blurock. Staff: Jennifer Severson, Planning Director

3. Approval of June 13, 2023 Minutes (0:50 mins)

- Motion to approve by Gibson, second by Luther
- Motion passed 2-0 (Vanderland and Blurock were absent and abstained)

4. General Public Comments - none

5. New Business

- Ron Nemetz (joined via zoom)
- A. Design Review- Fainting Goat Pub (122 N. Main St.), new railing around outside patio (1:46 mins)
 - Applicant's contractor William Moore in attendance for questions
 - HPC and Staff discussed need for railing around corner area near Park that is sunken; contractor indicated final design would either include railing if necessary per building code or, if not, would install planter box along edge of raised patio around sunken area
 - Staff asked for dwg or photo of final design to show HPC; no need to bring back for discussion, only to document final design
 - Motion to approve as proposed in meeting agenda packet by Blurock (with allowance for either railing or planter box as noted above), second by Gibson
 - Motion passes 4-0 (Nemetz recused)

6. Old Business

A. Downtown Historic Surveys (9:46 mins)

 Severson confirmed additional grant funds to use for surveys; total of \$18,000 for work; Severson will bring RFP for consultant to HPC for review prior to issuing public RFP

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7. Board Comments (10:55 mins)

- Blurock mentioned status of Downtown Plan consultant selection; Severson confirmed city anticipates announcing awarded firm end June/ early July; likely public outreach for Downtown Plan process won't start until late August/ early September (end of tourist season); anticipated planning process to be finished May 2024
- Luther presented city with bound copy of the Sacajawea/ Miles Park National Historic District application that was finalized and added to the National register
- Gibson asked question about upstairs downtown housing units under discussion for Urban Renewal Agency (URA) rehabilitation program; Severson confirmed additional housing in downtown is consistent with Growth Policy- encouraged anyone interested in URA grant funds for upper floor housing unit rehab as affordable housing can contact Chair of URA and/or attend next URA meeting 6/27 at 4:30 pm
- Severson confirmed June Zoning Commission meeting would review PUD Ordinance and June Planning Board meeting is cancelled
- Blurock and Vanderland discussed affordability of upstairs downtown housing rehab
- Severson showed map of Downtown Master Planning area; answered questions about Downtown Plan RFP

8. Adjournment (4:08 pm)