HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION - AMENDED MEETING AGENDA

Online via Zoom

Thursday, October 15, 2026
6:30 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Changes to Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes
   a. Historic Preservation Commission Meeting - 09/17/2026
5. Public Comment
6. Olympia Tumwater Foundation Update
7. Davis Meeker Oak Update
8. Project Discussions
9. Next Meeting Date - 11/19/26
10. Adjourn

Meeting Information
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MEETING MINUTES

TUMWATER HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
September 17, 2026

CONVENE: 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Chair Dave Shipley and Commissioners Rob Paylor, Marnie Slakey, Alex Rossiter, Paul Strickland, and Dave Nicandri

Excused: Commissioner Don Trosper

Staff: Parks and Recreation Director Chuck Denney, and Recreation Manager Todd Anderson

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: No changes to the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Commissioner Slakey moved, seconded by Commissioner Rossiter, to approve the minutes of April 16, 2026, as published. A voice vote approved the motion unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment.

CARLYON BRIDGE PAINTING: Director Denney updated the Commission on the progress of the Carlyon Bridge painting project. Discussion included the history of the bridge, pylons, concrete totem poles, painting, colors, interpretive signage, and tribal considerations. The last time the totem poles were re-painted was in 1990.

DESCHUTES VALLEY TRAIL AND SIGNAGE UPDATE: Director Denney updated the Commission on the Deschutes Valley Trail and signage. The first phase of the trail, Section C, is scheduled to begin construction in early 2027. Total cost of the project is $5.5 million with $2,595,000 of its Federal Funding administered by the Thurston Regional Planning Council (TRPC). There will be interpretive signage along the trail. One element will be the 47th Parallel but will be a separate project from first phase.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECT UPDATE:	Director Denney updated the Commission on the Department of Transportation (DOT) bidding process for the demolition project of the cast lettering on building one.
NEXT MEETING DATE:	The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 15, 2026.
ADJOURNMENT:	**With there being no further business, Chair Shipley adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.**

Prepared by Todd Anderson, Parks and Recreation Manager

TO: Historic Preservation Commission

FROM: Chuck Denney, Parks and Recreation Director

DATE: October 15, 2026

SUBJECT: Olympia Tumwater Foundation Update

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1) Recommended Action:

Information Item

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2) Background:

The Olympia Tumwater Foundation is a great partner of the City and provides the community with both the Brewery Park at Tumwater Falls and the Schmidt House. The City also provides funding to the foundation for historical research, water, and projects on a limited basis.

Often referred to as the best park in the region, Brewery Park has seen several recent upgrades and more projects are scheduled in the future. The Foundation Board continues to work on a new public building at the park.

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3) Alternatives:

This will be a discussion on Brewery Park, future building options and partnership opportunities. Todd Cutts, Executive Director, will present information and discuss Foundation activities.

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4) Attachments:

None

TO: Historic Preservation Commission

FROM: Chuck Denney, Parks and Recreation Director

DATE: October 15, 2026

SUBJECT: Davis Meeker Oak Update

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1) Recommended Action:

Information Item

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2) Background:

Two large branches broke off the Davis Meeker Oak and fell to the ground during a windstorm on September 25. The Olympia Airport recorded afternoon gusts exceeding 40 miles per hour. There were no injuries or property damage.

The City is working with Todd Prager & Associates on a new assessment of the historic tree.

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3) Alternatives:

Discussion – Kelly Adams, Assistant City Administrator, will update the Commission on the tree evaluation and future actions.

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4) Attachments:

None

TO: Historic Preservation Commission

FROM: Chuck Denney, Parks and Recreation Director

DATE: October 15, 2026

SUBJECT: Project Discussions

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1) Recommended Action:

Information/Discussion Item

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2) Background:

The Commission has suggested several items for discussion and work plan formation.

- Refurbishment of the Carlyon Bridge
- Department of Transportation (DOT) frieze removal
- 47 Parallel monument
- Historic roadway markers project

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3) Alternatives:

Discussion on each item may include action plans, research, or updated information.

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4) Attachments:

None