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REDMOND HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION
MINUTES

September 22, 2016

City Hall Conference Room A, 716 SW Evergreen Avenue, Redmond, Oregon

Commissioners Present: Chair Judy Fessler, Vice-Chair Trish Pinkerton, Tonia Cain, Leaha Moon
(absent: Shannon Farnsworth Rose)

Youth Ex Officio: Vacant

City Staff: Scott Woodford, *Associate Planner*; Cameron Prow, *TYPE-Write II*

City Council Liaison: None

Visitor: Charlie Rucker, *Redmond Chamber of Commerce*

Media: Dave Morgan, *RedmondNewsToday.com*

(The 3 digits after a motion title show the number of commissioners voting in favor/opposed/abstaining.)

CALL TO ORDER – INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Fessler opened the meeting at 4:33 p.m. with a quorum of commissioners (4 of 5) present.

CITIZEN COMMENTS – LIAISON COMMENTS

None.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of Minutes

1. **June 2, 2016**

Chair Fessler requested correction of “Kathy Park” to “Kathy Clark” in Paragraph 1 of Agenda Item C, Walking Tour Brochure Updates.

Motion 1 (4/0/0): Commissioner Pinkerton moved to approve the minutes of June 2, 2016, as corrected. Commissioner Moon seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

2. **July 15, 2016**

Motion 2 (4/0/0): Commissioner Pinkerton moved to approve the minutes of July 15, 2016, as presented. Commissioner Cain seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

B. Walking Tour Brochures

Mr. Rucker presented a copy of the latest draft and requested verification of map and building numbers. He will work with Commissioner Rose on the collage photos.

Commissioners discussed the format, content, and materials (100-pound matte-finish cover, 80-pound paper inside).

Mr. Woodford asked commissioners to e-mail additional comments to him by next week.

A. Display/Timeline for Evergreen

Mr. Woodford outlined a project suggested by Redmond Communications Manager Heather Cassaro: to display a timeline of the uses and significant events associated with the new city hall from when the building was first constructed to the present. He read aloud Ms. Cassaro's statement about this project in which she suggested working on the timeline during October and then the visual timeline in November 2016.

Commissioner discussion covered project scope, location within the new city hall, adding photos to the timeline, maintaining both physical and digital records of this project, and if memorabilia associated with the new city hall historic uses would be displayed within the building.

Commissioners Pinkerton, Cain, and Moon volunteered to gather photos for the timeline.

C. Downtown Historic District/MPD Update

Mr. Woodford said he explained to Councilors at their meeting last week the commission's reasons for using a Multiple Property Designation approach to create a downtown historic district. He said Diana Painter, Oregon State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), did not support Kerry Davis's MPD approach. He suggested the commission table the MPD approach and pursue a Streamline Moderne historic district which SHPO would support. He has been keeping Chuck Arnold, staff liaison to the Downtown Urban Renewal Advisory Committee, informed about this process.

Vice-Chair Pinkerton said Councilor feedback on this project was generally supportive.

Chair Fessler said she initiated conversation with a property owner about historic preservation. She reported observing nine vacant buildings on 6th Street between Black Butte Blvd and Forest Avenue today. She recommended inviting Ms. Davis, Preservation Solutions, Inc., to update commissioners before the end of 2016.

Mr. Woodford suggested commissioners and City staff conduct public meetings with property owners in November 2016.

D. Letter to Historic Homeowners

Chair Fessler reported meeting with chairs of the Bend Historic Landmarks Commission and the Deschutes County Historic Landmarks Commission. She discussed format and content of a draft letter the Landmarks Commission could send to new owners of Redmond historic houses. She will present a draft of that letter at the October 2016 meeting.

E. SHPO Training Debrief

Chair Fessler reported that Diana Painter, Joyce Sears, and two SHPO interns (University of Oregon students) attended the August 2016 training session in Redmond. Her

Commissioner comments about the SHPO training session in August 2016:

- Good ideas on how to improve Redmond's historic code; SHPO staff welcomed contact when the City is ready to move forward on updating its historic code.
- Benefits of historic districts
- Roleplaying worked well
- Great to meet Ms. Painter and Ms. Search to put faces behind the names
- Good information: Mythbusters, tax incentives

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS – ANNOUNCEMENTS

Following discussion about the meeting schedule during the holiday season, commissioners agreed to meet on October 27 and explore this topic again at that time.

Commissioner Cain suggested the old Public Works building near Redmond Airport might be the last remaining barracks.

Chair Fessler suggested touring Redmond Airport (field trip) to see the history collage, old airport hangar, and other features. Following discussion, she said she would explore potential tour dates and times. The Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development is considering updating Oregon Land Use Goal 5. She reported being interviewed by Bend Magazine regarding the old Redmond Hotel and the general flavor of downtown. She requested extra copies from Eric Flowers, Editor-in-Chief. Based on comments she has heard from residents and from the chairs of the Bend and Deschutes County Historic Landmarks Commissions, word is getting out about historic preservation in Redmond.

STAFF COMMENTS

Upcoming events:

- September 28: National Trust for Historic Places event, Deschutes County Historical Museum

Next commission meeting: Friday, October 27, 2016, 4:30 p.m. (discuss meeting schedule)

ADJOURN

With no further business, Chair Fessler adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

APPROVED by the Redmond Historic Landmarks Commission and SIGNED by me this 14th day of November, 2016.

ATTEST:

/s/ Judy Fessler
Judy Fessler
Chair

/s/ Scott Woodford
Scott Woodford
Associate Planner