



Meeting Minutes

Heritage Commission

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6:30 PM

Room 207

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

1.A ROLL CALL

There was not a quorum present.

Present: 5 - Chair Kat Kelly, Vice Chair Stephen Austin, Commissioner Dwayne Harkness, Commissioner Benjamin Helle and Commissioner Rachel Newmann

Excused: 6 - Commissioner Holly Davies, Commissioner Tamara Hayes, Commissioner Garner Miller, Commissioner Suzanna Pratt, Commissioner Sheila Swalling and Commissioner Nicholas Vann

OTHERS PRESENT

City of Olympia Historic Preservation Officer Michelle Sadlier
Public Works Water Resources Director Andy Haub
Office Specialists/Minutes Recorder Stacey Rodell

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[17-0694](#) Approval of May 31, 2017 Olympia Heritage Commission Meeting Minutes

Due to a lack of a quorum the approval of the minutes was postponed and referred to the Heritage Commission due back on 8/23/17.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Olympia Downtown Association (ODA) Executive Director Todd Cutts and Boardmember Erika Cooper handed out material on the vision, values and goals of the ODA. They were looking for funding to help with guiding tours and marketing for an event from the Olympia Heritage Commission (OHC). Ms. Sadlier indicated there are no funds allotted to the OHC, but suggested going directly to City Council with a funding request.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Sadlier announced the Arts, Culture and Heritage program (ARCH) is being spearheaded by Mayor Selby. The Athena Group has been hired to determine what Olympia already has in place and what the gaps are to support the arts, cultures and heritage in the City.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

[17-0691](#) Update on Sea Level Rise Planning in Olympia

Mr. Haub presented an update on sea level rise planning via a PowerPoint presentation.

Discussion:

Chair Kelly thought it would be beneficial if Mr. Haub gave a presentation to a workgroup she is a participant of called the Cultural Resources Exchange Group. The group is comprised of multiple cultural resources staff from State agencies.

There were suggestions on how to reach youth in the community regarding this issue.

Commissioner Harkness spoke about raising road levels. Mr. Haub noted the recent passing of an ordinance in regards to the height of new buildings located in potential flood zones.

The information was received.

[17-0692](#) OHC Outreach Planning: 2017 Preservation Awards & 2018 Preservation Month

Ms. Sadlier suggested this discussion would be more beneficial with a full Commission. She reviewed some of the information in the Commission meeting packet. It was unanimously agreed by the Commission present to move this Business Item to the Commission's August 2017 meeting.

The discussion was continued to the August 23, 2017 Heritage Commission meeting.

7. REPORTS

7.A Downtown Committee

The report was postponed to the next Commission meeting.

7.B Heritage Review Committee

The report was postponed to the next Commission meeting.

7.C Outreach Committee

The report was postponed to the next Commission meeting.

7.D Policy & Ordinance Committee

The report was postponed to the next Commission meeting.

7.E Preservation Award Committee

The report was postponed to the next Commission meeting.

7.F Survey & Inventory Committee

The report was postponed to the next Commission meeting.

7.G Staff

The report was postponed to the next Commission meeting.

8. OTHER TOPICS - None

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.