



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Heritage Commission

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Wednesday, June 28, 2017

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

Todd Cutts, Executive Director and Erika Cooper, Boardmember from the Olympia Downtown Association (ODA) handed out material on the vision, values and goals of the ODA. They were looking for funding, 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 she suggested going directly to City Council with a funding request.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Commission 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 that this discussion would be more beneficial with a full Commission. She reviewed some of the information that was 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 Heritage Commission due back on 8/23/2017.

7. REPORTS

7.A Downtown Committee

It was unanimously approved to move this report to the next Commission meeting.

7.B Heritage Review Committee

It was unanimously approved to move this report to the next Commission meeting.

7.C Outreach Committee

It was unanimously approved to move this report to the next Commission meeting.

7.D Policy & Ordinance Committee

It was unanimously approved to move this report to the next Commission meeting.

7.E Preservation Award Committee

It was unanimously approved to move this report to the next Commission meeting.

7.F Survey & Inventory Committee

It was unanimously approved to move this report to the next Commission meeting.

7.G Staff

It was unanimously approved to move this report to the next Commission meeting.

8. OTHER TOPICS - None

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.