



Meeting Minutes

Heritage Commission

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6:30 PM

Room 207

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Harkness called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

1.A ROLL CALL

Chair Davies and Commissioner Newmann arrived after the roll call was taken.

Present: 9 - Chair Holly Davies, Vice Chair Dwayne Harkness, Commissioner Tamara Hayes, Commissioner Benjamin Helle, Commissioner Kat Kelly, Commissioner Garner Miller, Commissioner Rachel Newmann, Commissioner Sheila Swalling and Commissioner Nicholas Vann

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Patricia McLain

OTHERS PRESENT

Community Planning and Development:
City of Olympia Historic Preservation Officer Michelle Sadlier
Office Specialist/Minute Recorder Stacey Rodell

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.A [16-1318](#) Approval of October 26, 2016 Olympia Heritage Commission Meeting Minutes

There was one correction to the minutes on Page 3 - Item 7.F change the word "rink" to "rank".

The minutes were approved as amended.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Sadlier made the following announcements:

- City Council presented historic preservation awards to the Thurston-Lewis-Mason Central Labor Council and Sean Kirby.

- The holiday tour of homes is the first weekend in December.
- The City will be co-sponsoring the Olympia Historical Society's annual meeting located at the Olympia Center at the end of January 2017. More information will be provided once it is available.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

6.A [16-1331](#) PUBLIC HEARING & DETERMINATION 1: Nomination of the Christensen Radio Repair Shop (108 Franklin Street NE) for Listing on the Olympia Heritage Register (#16-0063-P)

Vice Chair Harkness opened the public hearing.

Ms. Sadlier presented an overview of the nomination to place the Christensen Radio Repair Shop, located at 108 Franklin Street NE, on the Olympia Heritage Register. Ms. Sadlier recommended approval of the property.

Connie Phegley, applicant and co-owner of the property, spoke on behalf of her proposal.

The hearing was opened up to public comment. There being no additional public comment, Vice Chair Harkness closed the public hearing and deliberation of the Commission was opened.

Commissioner Hayes moved, seconded by Commissioner Kelly, to recommend the Christensen Radio Repair Shop, located at 108 Franklin Street NE, be added to the Olympia Heritage Register under the designation criteria of B. and D. (OMC 18.12.080). The motion passed unanimously.

6.B [16-1332](#) PUBLIC HEARING & DETERMINATION 2: Nomination of the C.R. Harris Paint Headquarters/Christensen Radio Shop (302-304 4th Avenue E) for Listing on the Olympia Heritage Register (#16-9002-P)

Vice Chair Harkness opened the public hearing.

Ms. Sadlier presented an overview of the nomination to place the C.R. Harris Paint Headquarters/Christensen Radio Shop, located at 302-304 4th Avenue E, on the Olympia Heritage Register. Ms. Sadlier recommended approval of the property.

Kanako Wynkoop, applicant and owner of the property, spoke on behalf of her proposal.

The hearing was opened up to public comment. There being no additional public comment, Vice Chair Harkness closed the public hearing and deliberation of the Commission was opened.

In addition to other discussion points, Commissioner Vann recommended the name of the property be Avalon Store Building as a result of research indicating that was its original name.

Commissioner Vann moved, seconded by Commissioner Swalling, to recommend the Avalon Store Building, located at 302-304 4th Avenue E, be added to the Olympia Heritage Register under the designation criterion of D. (OMC 18.12.080). The motion passed unanimously.

- 6.C** [16-1326](#) PUBLIC HEARING & DETERMINATION 3: Nomination of the Frederick W. & Elsa H. Schmidt House (2613 Capitol Way S) for Individual Listing on the Olympia Heritage Register (#16-9054-P)

Vice Chair Harkness opened the public hearing.

Ms. Sadler presented an overview of the nomination to place the Frederick W. & Elsa H. Schmidt House, located at 2613 Capitol Way S, on the Olympia Heritage Register. Ms. Sadler recommended approval of the property

Keith & Maria Ciani, applicants and owners of the property, spoke on behalf of their proposal.

The hearing was opened up to public comment. There being no additional public comment, Vice Chair Harkness closed the public hearing and deliberation of the Commission was opened.

The Commission agreed to add criterion B., as the property embodies the distinctive architectural characteristics of two separate styles: Craftsman and World War II Era Cottage.

Chair Davies moved, seconded by Commissioner Hayes, to recommend the Frederick W. & Elsa H. Schmidt House, located at 2613 Capitol Way S, be added to the Olympia Heritage Register under the designation criteria of B. and E. (OMC 18.12.080). The motion passed unanimously.

- 6.D** [16-1320](#) SPECIAL VALUATION APPLICATION: Rehabilitation of 1701 4th Avenue E (Permit #16-9096-P)

Ms. Sadler presented an overview of the rehabilitation project of 1701 4th Avenue E. Heritage Review Committee members provided additional comments as the Commission discussed the application.

Applicants Tina Roose and Teresa Guajardo spoke on behalf of the rehabilitation of the property.

Dave King, from Eco Woodworks, spoke extensively about his process of redoing the windows on this property.

Chair Davies moved, seconded by Commissioner Newmann, to recommend approval of the special valuation application and all qualified rehabilitation expenses as submitted for 1701 4th Avenue E. and forward the recommendation on to City Council for consideration at the December 13, 2016 Council meeting under File 16-1360. Commissioner Vann recused

himself from voting as he has been working with the applicant on the Federal Tax Credit Program. The motion carried by the following vote:

Excused: 1 - Commissioner McLain

Recused: 1 - Commissioner Vann

6.E [16-1319](#) Downtown Strategy Recommendations: Review of Draft Heritage Commission Comment Letter

The Commissioners reviewed and discussed the draft letter. They agreed on revisions. Ms. Sadlier will revise the letter and Chair Davies will sign the completed letter. The letter will be submitted to City Council at its special study session on December 6, 2016.

The discussion was completed.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:48 p.m.