



Meeting Minutes

Heritage Commission

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6:30 PM

Room 207

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Holly Davies called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1.A ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Commissioner Holly Davies, Commissioner Benjamin Helle, Commissioner Gary Stedman, Commissioner Sheila Swalling, Commissioner Andrea Pareigis and Commissioner Susan Rohrer

Excused: 4 - Chair Kat Kelly, Commissioner Audrey Henley, Commissioner Garner Miller and Commissioner Rachel Newmann

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Maurice Major

2.A OTHERS PRESENT

City of Olympia Community Planning and Development staff:
Historic Preservation Officer Marygrace Goddu

Arts Commissioner Stacy Hicks
Sam Meyer
Brian Willis

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.A [19-0954](#) Approval of September 25, 2019 Heritage Commission Meeting Minutes

The September 25, 2019 meeting minutes were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Brian Willis made comment regarding a production of *The Originals* at the Lakewood Playhouse in June 2020.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioners Helle, Davies and Ms. Goddu made announcements.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

6.A [19-0955](#) Special Property Tax Valuation for 208 18th Avenue SW

Homeowner, Mr. Meyer shared the renovation and replication history through the years via pictures and the Heritage Review Committee site visit. The Commission discussed the standards met to qualify for reduced property taxes.

Vice Chair Davies moved, seconded by Commissioner Rohrer, to recommend forwarding to City Council for final approval. The motion passed unanimously.

6.B [19-0959](#) Special Property Tax Valuation for 215 19th Avenue SW

Vice-Chair Davies discussed the rehabilitation of the property and the historic features within the home. The Commission discussed the standards met to qualify for reduced property taxes.

Commissioner Helle moved, seconded by Commissioner Henley, to recommend forwarding to City Council for final approval. The motion passed unanimously.

6.C [19-0596](#) Discuss and approve draft response to City Council Referral Request

Commissioners discussed the Martin Luther King Jr. naming proposal and the draft memorandum responding to this City Council request, and made edits.

Commissioner Swalling moved, seconded by Commissioner Helle, to approve the draft memorandum as amended and forward to City Council. The motion passed unanimously.

6.D [19-0960](#) Approval of revised committees, committee scope of work, and members for the remainder of 2019.

Commissioners discussed work committees, the scope of the committees and the member lists.

Commissioner Helle moved, seconded by Commissioner Rohrer, to approve committee structure and member lists for the remainder of 2019 workplan. The motion passed unanimously.

7. REPORTS

7.A [19-0953](#) Policy and Program Recommendations, Support for Additional Heritage Program Activities

Heritage Review Committee - Commissioner Swalling discussed the window handout she is working on for homeowners.

Vice-Chair Davies shared information about the Keystone Summit being planned with the Arts Commission.

The report was received.

8. OTHER TOPICS

Commissioners discussed the recruitment of new members and Tribal participation in the Commission.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Upcoming

The Washington Museum Association Conference will be held in Olympia, June 19-21, 2020.

Keystone Summit will be held in October 2020 in conjunction with Fall Arts Walk.