



# Meeting Minutes

## Heritage Commission

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Heritage Commission  
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**Wednesday, February 25, 2026**

**5:30 PM**

**Room 207**

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**Register to attend:**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

**1.A ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 6 - Chair Garner Miller, Commissioner Michael Bowman, Commissioner William Cotter, Commissioner Melissa Patrick, Commissioner Mark Shepard and Commissioner Gary Stedman

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Stephen Becker

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**3.A** [26-0164](#) Approval of the January 28, 2026 Heritage Commission Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT - None**

**5. ANNOUNCEMENTS - None**

**6. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**6.A** [26-0159](#) Housekeeping

Staff and Committee Members discussed housekeeping topics.

The discussion was completed.

**6.B**     [26-0160](#)     Election Nominations

Heritage Commission elections were discussed.

**Commissioner Patrick moved, seconded by Commissioner Stedman, to hold the voting today. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Chair Miller moved, seconded by Commissioner Stedman, to nominate Commissioner Cotter as Chair. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Commissioner Shepard moved, seconded by Commissioner Patrick, to nominate Commissioner Bowman as Vice Chair. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Commissioner Shepard moved, seconded by Commissioner Bowman, to skip the March meeting. The motion passed unanimously.**

**7.     REPORTS**

Next Tuesday, Ed Echtle and someone from the Locke family will be presenting at Council for the Chinese exclusion anniversary.

**8.     OTHER TOPICS - None****9.     ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.