

MINUTES
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION WORK SESSION
May 16, 2019

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Carroll Cottingham
Jennifer Maglinte-Timbrook
Kelly Thomas
Andrew Zimmerman
Tracy Schwartz
Russell Schutte, Vice-Chair
Jamie French, Chair

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Kevin Sund
Patricia Mulvihill

STAFF PRESENT

Kimberli Fitzgerald, Historic Preservation Officer
Lisa Anderson-Ogilvie, Planning Administrator and Deputy Community Development Director
Natasha Zimmerman, Deputy City Attorney
Kirsten Straus, Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Jamie French called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Roll call was taken and quorum was established.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Minutes of April 18, 2019

Motion: Move to approve the minutes from April 18, 2019.

Motion by: Commissioner Schutte

Seconded by: Commissioner Schwartz

Questions or Comments by:

Vote:

Aye: Cottingham, French, Schutte, Schwartz, Zimmerman, Thomas, and Timbrook

Nay:

Absent: Sund, Mulvihill

Abstentions:

Action: Moved to approve the minutes from April 18, 2019.

VOTE:

Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 2 (Sund, Mulvihill)

4. Historic Preservation Awards

a. Voting on Youth Section of Historic Photo Contest

At this time, the HLC discussed the winning photos for the Youth section of the Historic Photo Contest based on the suggestions from the Economic and Recognition Incentives Sub-Committee.

The winning photos are:

- Youth Historic Exterior: EX4
- Youth Historic Interior: IN4
- Youth Historic Feature/Landscape: FE1
- Youth Selfie with a Historic Feature: SE1

At this time, the Chair called for a five minute break to prepare the award ceremony details.

b. Presentation of Historic Photo Award Winners

At this time, the HLC presented awards to the winning photos in the 5th Annual HLC Historic Photo Contest. The winners of the photo contest were as follows:

Winners Youth Section:

- Exterior: Max Quintero – “Willamette University”
- Interior: Max Quintero – “A Bunch of Wires”
- Feature/Landscape: Ben Koonce – “Dark School”
- Selfie: Evyn Baker – Evyn Baker – “The Old West”

Winners Adult Section:

- Exterior- Winner: Ex8 – Jacquie Klose with “This Place Matters – Salem Railroad Station,” Honorable Mention: Ex6 – Ed Jacobs with “DCS_2411 Gilbert House”
- Interior- Winner: In3 – Daniel Waldron with “Eye in the Sky,” Honorable Mention: In6 – Kimberly Seabury with an untitled piece
- Landscape/Feature- Winner: Fe19 - Eddie Maestas with “November 16th – Pringle Park,” Honorable Mention: Fe5 – Ed Jacobs with “DSC_7311 Salem Truss Bridge Walk”
- Selfie – Winner: Se5 – Jacob Callahan with “Dogs Life,” Honorable Mention: Se1 – Camron Settlemier with “Photographing myself Photographing the Ike Box”
- Chairperson’s Choice: Ex15 – Rebekah Willhite with “Capitol Tower – 1927”

c. Presentation of the Benjamin I. Maxwell Award to Franca M. Dyer, Scott A. McLeod, and Carlton J. McLeod for their contribution to the Gray Building Renovations.

Vice-Chair Russell Schutte presented this award.

d. Presentation of the Virginia P. Green Award to City of Salem Police, City of Salem Public Works, Oregon Archaeological Society Volunteers, and students at Willamette University for their contributions to the Salem Police Station Archaeology project.

Chair Jamie French presented this award.

At this time, the chair called a ten minute break for cake.

5. ALTERATION REVIEWS:

- a. Historic Design Review – Case No. HIS19-15 for 189 Liberty St NE
Major Historic Design Review of a proposal to remove the non-historic awnings, modify the storefront, and replace doors on the exterior of the Reed Opera House (1869), a Historic Contributing Resource within Salem's Downtown National Register Historic District, located at 189 Liberty Street NE (Marion County Tax Assessor Number 073W27AB05900).

The Chair opened the public hearing at 6:06 p.m. and directed staff to read the applicable criteria into the record. The Chair asked if there were any conflicts of interest or exparte contacts. There were none.

Kimberli Fitzgerald, Historic Preservation Officer, entered the Staff Report, all attachments and testimony into the record. Ms. Fitzgerald then summarized the proposal and outlined the applicable criteria, highlighting each criterion and how specific proposal components addressed that criterion.

Staff Recommendation: Based upon the information presented in the application, plans submitted for review, and findings as presented in this staff report, staff recommends that the Historic Landmarks Commission APPROVE the proposal.

Questions for Staff by: Commissioner Schutte

Persons Testifying

Applicant: Don Bauhofer- 250 NW Franklin, Bend, OR; owner's representative and applicant

Neighborhood Association: None

Support: None

Oppose: None

Neutral:

Rebuttal: None

Additional questions for staff: None

With no further questions, the Chair closed the public hearing 6:18 p.m. and the Commission proceeded to deliberations.

Motion: Move to approve staff recommendation as presented.

Motion by: Commissioner Schutte

Seconded by: Commissioner Schwartz

Questions or Comments by: Commissioners Schutte, Schwartz

Vote:

Aye: French, Cottingham, Schutte, Schwartz, Thomas, Zimmerman, and Timbrook

Nay:

Absent: Sund, Mulvihill

Abstentions:

Action: Moved to approve staff recommendation as presented

VOTE:

Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 2 (Sund, Mulvihill)

6. ACTION ITEMS:

a. Oregon State Hospital Historic District Boundary Decrease Evaluation

The Chair asked if there were any conflicts of interest or exparte contacts.

- Tracy Schwartz recused herself from this issue as she has reviewed this project as part of her work at the State Historic Preservation Office.
- Commissioner Kelly Thomas was at a NEN meeting where this project was discussed briefly but he left the room after the discussion started and feels he can still be impartial.
- Commissioner French has reviewed the larger project as part of her work at the State Historic Preservation Office but not the boundary reduction and feels she can still be impartial.

At this time, Kimberli Fitzgerald, Historic Preservation Officer, entered the Staff Report and all attachments into the record. Ms. Fitzgerald then summarized the proposal and asked the HLC to provide direction based on the following options: **No Action, Completion of Evaluation Worksheet** or **Letter of Support/Opposition**.

Chair Jamie French opened the floor for discussion.

Comments or questions by: Commissioners Schutte, French, Thomas, Cottingham, Zimmerman, Maglinte-Timbrook

Motion: Move to have staff write a letter of neutrality listing points of question and reasons why the proposal fails to meet the standard requirements.

Motion by: Commissioner Schutte

Seconded by: Commissioner Timbrook

Questions or Comments by: Commissioner Schutte

Vote:

Aye: French, Cottingham, Schutte, Thomas, Zimmerman, and Timbrook

Nay:

Absent: Sund, Mulvihill

Abstentions: Schwartz

Action: Moved have staff write a letter of neutrality listing points of question and reasons why the proposal fails to meet the standard requirements.

VOTE:

Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 1 (Schwartz) Absent 2 (Sund, Mulvihill)

b. Salem Main Street Association's Alley Naming Project

The Chair asked if there were any conflicts of interest or exparte contacts.

- Tracy Schwartz and Jamie French work in the same office as Sheri Stuart who administers the Downtown program, but have no direct involvement with the program.

At this time, Kimberli Fitzgerald, Historic Preservation Officer, entered the Staff Report and all attachments into the record. Ms. Fitzgerald then summarized the proposal.

At this time, Jacqueline Heavey, a representative from the Salem Main Street Association (SMSA) spoke about their request.

Questions for SMSA: Commissioner Zimmerman, Schwartz, Maglinte-Timbrook, Thomas, French

Motion: Move to direct staff to write a letter of strong support for the Downtown Alley Name Project and the Salem Main Street Association.

Motion by: Commissioner Schwartz

Seconded by: Commissioner Maglinte-Timbrook

Questions or Comments by: None

Vote:

Aye: French, Cottingham, Schutte, Schwartz, Thomas, Zimmerman, and Maglinte-Timbrook

Nay:

Absent: Sund, Mulvihill

Abstentions:

Action: Moved to approve staff recommendation as presented

VOTE:

Yes 7 No 0 Abstain 0 Absent 2 (Sund, Mulvihill)

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

a. 2019 Oregon Heritage Summit

- i. Chair Jamie French summarized the Summit, and many of the Salem-area awardees.
- ii. April 22-24, 2020 will be the next Oregon Heritage Conference

8. HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER REPORT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Prepared by: *Kirsten Straus, Recorder*
May 16, 2019

APPROVED: June 20, 2019