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Minutes for Wednesday, February 13, 2019

City Council Chambers, 1 City Hall Place

REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Called to order at 1:30 p.m. with Chairperson Campbell presiding.

Commissioners Present: Laurel Campbell, Jason Falsetto, Karen Knight, Chris Markuson, Anthony Perko

Commissioners Absent: Maria Tucker

Staff Members Present: Assistant City Manager for Community Development Scott Hobson, City Attorney Dan Kogovsek, Planner Alan Lamberg

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Markuson to approve agenda for January 9, 2019, corrected to add case HPC-19-03 to consent agenda, seconded by Knight; unanimously approved.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND COMMISSION ACTIONS

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **HPC-19-01 (215 South Union Avenue; contributor to Union Avenue local & national historic district)**

Certificate of Appropriateness for signs (administratively approved January 11, 2019).

2. **HPC-19-02 (900 West Orman Avenue; landmark Olin House)**

Section 106 review for telecommunication facility (administratively approved January 24, 2019).

3. **HPC-19-03 (2713 North Grand Avenue; Pueblo Colored Orphanage and Old Folks Home / Lincoln Home; Colorado State Register)**

Guidelines for exterior alteration (administratively advised, February 7, 2019).

Regarding the Certificates of Appropriateness, the application was administratively reviewed by Lamberg and recommended for approval, having conformed to Standards of Appropriateness.

Commission Action:

Motion to grant consent items 1, 2 and 3 by Markuson, second by Falsetto.

Motion passed 5 – 0.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. HPC-18-13 (300 North Main Street, Whitcomb Block / Pueblo Savings & Trust / Clark's Building, local landmark) *Continued from January 9, 2019 public meeting*

Certificate of Appropriateness for restoration plan.

Asleigh Winans for NeighborWorks Southern Colorado not present.

Commission Action:

Motion to table to a date and time mutually agreeable by Markuson, second by Knight.

Motion passed 5 – 0. *Tabled until applicant schedules a hearing.*

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Markuson to approve the minutes for January 9, 2019, correcting the name of the person who motioned approval of the December meeting minutes, seconded by Falsetto; unanimously approved.

IV. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

1. Administration: Members and Officers, election of Secretary officer.

Markuson stated that he talked with Tucker, who was amenable to renewing her role as Commission Secretary. Lamberg suggested the Commission elect a Vice Secretary as well. Knight stated her willingness to take on this role. Motion by Markuson to nominate Tucker as Commission Secretary, and Knight as Commission Vice-Secretary, seconded by Perko; unanimously approved.

2. Administration (Committees): Member ratification of standing committees for Planning, Standards, and Education committees.

Lamberg recognized audience members who have expressed interest in serving on the committees: Bill Casey, Jane Cawlfeld, Erick Javaneau, Michael Mahan, and Matthew Taylor.

Lamberg listed stakeholders who applied with their preferences for committee memberships:

Planning Committee: Stakeholder and former HPI member Janet Dash, and Stakeholder Erick Javaneau (retired attorney). This committee now has thirteen (13) members.

Standards Committee: Janet Dash and Erick Javaneau. This committee now has eleven (11) members.

For other stakeholders in the community who have expressed interest, they should indicate their preference for committee in writing by e-mail to HPC@Pueblo.us or survey application: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HPCApplication>

Commission Action:

Motion to ratify committee members by Perko, second by Knight.

Motion passed 5 – 0.

City Attorney Dan Kogovsek advised Campbell and Lamberg that the Commission should fulfill the intent of City Charter¹ by presenting the list of HPC committee members to the Mayor for his consideration and adoption. Hobson advised this could occur at a City Council work session and will work with Lamberg accordingly.

¹ City Charter, Section 2-5 for Appointive Boards and Commissions. The HPC standing committees operate in accordance with the HPC bylaws, article VI, as amended November, 2018. The HPC bylaws are in accordance of section 4-14-4 (f) of the PMC.

V. WORK SESSION

1. Other Discussion Items

County-wide Commission: Campbell stressed importance of a County-wide Certified Local Government (CLG) preservation commission. 3R Ranch. BB Fields Trading Post. Doyle School. Recently, an 1860s Peter Dodson homestead cabin discovered under outbuilding in Beulah. Brown family wants to move it because doing so will disqualify it from historic designation.

Lamberg advised that a Preservation Planning Committee could make this a priority, and their presence at a City Council work session might give weight to it. From the audience, Cawlfied pledged to volunteer.

Kogovsek clarified to Campbell that the County could adopt the City's historic preservation code.

2. Preservation Action Plan development

Lamberg presented a revised work plan that encapsulated all the known ideas that the HPC had since the early 2000s. It is color-coded for general goals, each objective is classified by project type, and each project has a stated, strategic outcome. The general goals are effective administration, outreach to community, protect cultural resources, and survey & inventory. The work plan also includes three pages of completed projects. Lamberg explained that the Preservation Planning Committee would invite public involvement, prioritize projects, and refine the goals into a meaningful and strategic preservation action plan.

Markuson expressed gratitude to the audience, thanking the committee members for volunteering for what he anticipates as rewarding work. Casey complimented the Commission and Staff for operating as an executive-level organization.

Incidentally, Campbell will invite the Fort Collins preservation commissioner responsible for their mural standards to meet with the Standards Committee. Mahan voiced his interest on this subject as a business owner in Union Avenue Historic District. Lamberg advised that the Standards and Education Committees will choose projects as prioritized by the Planning Committee.

Campbell comments that the work plan includes several initiatives that support the Mayor's vision for increasing tourism in Pueblo. Cawlfied affirmed the value of heritage tourism, and mentioned her involvement in preserving the historic Schweiger Ranch² as tourist destination after the incorporation of Lone Tree, Colorado. Incidentally, Cawlfied attended the Saving Places conference by Colorado Preservation, Inc.

3. Further Discussion Items

Open Meetings: Campbell asked Kogovsek to clarify how the Commission and Committees can comply with the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA).³ Kogovsek advised that staff post notice at the City Clerk's bulletin board 24-hours in advance of any open meeting where there are three or more Commission members present. And provide a statement in the agenda that provides for reasonable accommodations in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).⁴

Committees Collaborating in the Cloud: Lamberg intends to put on the Internet a dynamic agenda and minutes for ongoing meetings of each committee. This is possible through documents that can be read by the public, but writable only by members of committees. He will work with the City Information Technology Department using the City government's *Microsoft 365* cloud computing software.

² About the Schweiger Ranch <https://schweigerranch.org>

³ Colorado Open Records Act was codified in the Colorado Revised Statutes, sections 24-72-201 to 24-72-309.

⁴ An ADA-compliant agenda might state, "*Individuals requiring special accommodations should notify the chair by noon on the [day of week that is two days] preceding the meeting.*"

Legacy Businesses as Intangible History: Markuson reported that his staff from the County Department of Economic Development and Geographic Information Systems attended the Saving Places Conference by Colorado Preservation, Inc. One topic focused on a historical designation of legacy businesses, a preservation incentive that could involve local code relief and/or tax credits for businesses important to the cultural heritage of a town or city. A legacy business need not operate consistently in the same place of its establishment; its long-term impact on the community is an intangible asset and a basis for historic significance.

Federal Conservation Bill: Campbell noted the impact of the federal reauthorization of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF),⁵ which will enable the federal government to purchase millions of acres of private lands for conservation. This impacts the Frontier Pathways Scenic & Historic Byway⁶ and several historic sites in Pueblo City and County.

4. Announcements

Goodnight Barn Invitational Art Show open until March 8 at the Hope Gallery in the Pueblo Heritage Museum (Campbell).

VI. ADJOURN

Campbell adjourned the meeting at 2:10 p.m.
Minutes respectfully submitted by Lamberg.

⁵ The Land and Water Conservation Fund was reauthorized by Congress by Senate Bill 47. More information: <https://www.doi.gov/lwcf>

⁶ Frontier Pathways Scenic & Historic Byway <https://www.frontierpathways.com>