

Historic Preservation Board

Date: October 30, 2017

Special Work Session

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Municipal Building, The View – 55 N. Center Street

Members Present	Members Absent	Staff Present	Guests
Laura Schaffer-Metcalfe, Ed.D., Chair Greg Marek Louise Swann Janice Gennevois, Vice-Chair Milagros Zingoni Brandon Benzing	Annalisa Alvrus, Ph.D.	Kim Steadman Lauren Allsopp Rebecca Gorton	Vic Linoff

1. Call meeting to order

Chair Schaffer-Metcalfe called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

- 2. Updates from the *workgroups* for restoring the position of a dedicated, full-time Historic Preservation Officer:
 - a. Education *Workgroup*: to go out and convey the message
 - b. Advisory Workgroup: to get together

Chair Schaffer-Metcalfe reviewed the purpose of the Special Work Session by stating the idea is to bring forward a presentation to the City Council to restore a full time HPO. Ms. Schaffer-Metcalfe stated the Education *Workgroup* is tasked to go out and convey the message that a *HPO* is necessary, and; the Advisory *Workgroup* is responsible for getting the information together to present to Council and the community. This was put together as sub-*workgroups* and the findings were discussed. Chair Schaffer-Metcalfe stated her main concern is to be heard by written and documented feedback from all members of this Board.

Discussion continued to draft a written document that is clear, concise and to the point to present to Council. Boardmember Zongini suggested comparing surrounding cities by including a visual graph showing comparing surrounding cities that have similar Historic Preservation departments.

The members inquired if Mr. Vic Linoff had any advice. Mr. Linoff suggested:

- 1) Compare surrounding cities that have Certified Local Government (CLG) status
- 2) Include what the Preservation brings to the City in terms of economic growth and marketing

An outline of goals was further discussed agreed upon. This subject will be included in the November 7, 2017 agenda.

3. Adjournment

First Motion made by Chair Schaffer-Metcalfe to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 pm and seconded by Board member Swann. Motion carried 6-0. (Boardmember Alvrus, absent)

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