

# Historic Preservation Board



## *Minutes*

**Location:** Lower Level Council Chambers – 57 E First Street

**Date:** March 5, 2019 **Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Greg Marek, Chair  
Brandon Benzing, Vice-Chair  
Janice Gennevois  
Laura Schaffer-Metcalf Ed.D.  
Milgros Zingoni  
Jeri Meeks  
Benjamin Ayers

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Nana Appiah  
Rebecca Gorton  
Deyannie Gilmore  
Veronica Gonzalez  
Jeff McVay

**GUESTS:**

Vic Linoff  
Matt Klyszeiko  
David Davis  
Carl Duke

1. Call Meeting to Order.

Chair Marek called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. Approval of the minutes from the February 5, 2019 Board meeting.

Board member Zingoni motioned to approve the February 5, 2019 minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Board member Schaffer-Metcalf.

Vote: 5-0 (Vice Chair Benzing, Board members Gennevois, late)

AYES – Marek, Schaffer-Metcalf, Meeks, Zingoni and Ayers

NAYS - None

3. Items from citizens present.\*

None

4. Hear and discuss the 1<sup>st</sup> streetscape project located in Right of Way of 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, between Mesa Drive and Lesuer within the Temple Historic District.

Jeff McVay, Downtown Transformation Manager, provided the Board with an update. Mr. McVay stated this project is being evaluated and there has been no confirmed design yet. The Board will continue to be updated and informed as the project moves forward.

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David Davis, architect for City Creek Reserve, presented a conceptual streetscape design for 1st Avenue that included palm trees lining both sides of the street. The Board had concerns about using palm trees since these trees are not consistent with the trees found in the historic district. The trees and landscaping materials should be representative of when the neighborhood was created. Mr. Davis said he would take the Board's comments under advisement.

5. Hear and discuss the proposal for the redevelopment of Phase 2 (5 parcels) located at the southeast corner of Main Street and Mesa Drive of the Temple Historic District.

David Davis and Carl Duke presented an update of Phase 2 of the Temple Historic District to the Board. Mr. Duke and Mr. Davis included elevations of the proposed redevelopment project and answered questions from the board. There was discussion about the landscape plans and the plant materials to be used. The Historic Preservation Board expressed concern of the appropriateness of some of the plant and tree materials.

6. Hear an update and discuss the City's request for proposal (RFP) for the development of "Site 17" located in the vacant land south of University Drive and west of Mesa Drive (north of the Glenwood Wilbur Historic District).

Jeff McVay, Downtown Transformation Manager, gave an overview to the Board on the project. Mr. McVay stated the consultants are developing three conceptual master plans which will be presented to the City Council in the next few months. There was discussion on which of the three plans best meet the interest of the adjacent historic districts. The Historic Preservation Board directed the Chair, Greg Marek, to write a letter to the Mayor and City Council detailing the Board's comments and concerns about the Transform 17 preliminary plans.

7. Hear and discuss an update and discuss the downtown Façade Improvement Project

Mr. McVay updated the Board on status of the projects. He also discussed the cost has exceeded budget on some of the projects including the Nile.

8. Receive a presentation and discuss the City's Quality Design Guidelines.

Staff member Veronica Gonzalez gave a presentation on the City's Quality Design Guidelines along with the consultant, Matt Klyszeiko with Michael Baker International.

9. Receive an update of the Historic Preservation Officer position.

Planning Director Nana Appiah informed the Board of the start date in which the Historic Preservation Officer Kate Singleton will start March 18, 2019. She will be welcomed at the next Board Meeting scheduled April 2, 2019.

10. Receive an update on 2018-2019 student writing contest awards including presentation of awards to Council.

Chair Marek stated the Historic Preservation Awards were presented at the Council meeting and there were pictures taken with Council and awards winners.

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11. Hear reports from Board Members and staff on museums, exhibits, committees and/or events related to historic preservation.

Boardmember Meeks updated the Board on the Grand Re-Opening at the Old Lehi School held on February 9.

12. Future agenda items.

The Board requested an update on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Streetscape and updates of the Mesa and Main Street project.

13. Adjournment.

Boardmember Schaffer-Metcalf motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 pm. The motion was seconded by Boardmember Milagros.

Vote: 7-0

AYES – Marek, Benzing, Gennevois, Schaffer-Metcalf, Zingoni, Meeks and Ayers

NAYS – None

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