



City of Columbia, Missouri

Meeting Minutes

Historic Preservation Commission

Tuesday, June 6, 2023

7:00 PM

Regular Meeting

Conference Room 1B

City Hall

701 E. Broadway

I. CALL TO ORDER

Stephen Bybee - Chair, Melissa Hagen - Vice-Chair, Meg Ross - Acting Secretary

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by the Chair.

Present: 4 - Melissa Hagen, Stephen Bybee, Meg Ross and Tyler Travers

Absent: 3 - Heather Richenberger, Tanner Ott and Benjamin Schwarz

II. INTRODUCTIONS

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Ross moved to approve the agenda as distributed.

Commissioner Travers seconds and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Ross moved to approve the agenda as distributed.

Commissioner Travers seconds and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

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Attachments: [HPC MINUTES 05022023](#)

V. STAFF REPORTS

Staff Liaison Rusty Palmer reported that there has been no call for public comments on the Urban Conservation Overlay study for the central neighborhoods as of yet.

Mr. Palmer also notified the Commission that Commissioner Hagen had made a request with the City Clerk to move into the Real Estate Investor role on the Commission in order to free up a lay-person seat. Due to the lack of interested qualified applicants for our credentialed seats, this move will hopefully facilitate the filling of the vacant position.

VI. DEMOLITION PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Mr. Palmer presented the demolition permit application materials for 1412 Lowe Street, 303 Benton Street, 1309 Worley Street, and 913 & 1001 Range Line Street to the Commission for their review.

Commissioner Bybee noted that 1001 Range Line is likely the last remaining Dutch Colonial structure in the North-Central Columbia neighborhood, and he indicate that he would reach out to the owner (Columbia College) for a chance to visit the property and potentially salvage some materials before the demolition.

Commissioner Hagen moved to close review of the applications.

Commissioner Ross seconded and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

1412 Lowe Street

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303 Benton Street

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1309 Worley Street

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913 & 1001 Range Line Street

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[913 Range Line St](#)
[1001 Range Line St ASSESSOR](#)
[1001 Range Line St](#)
[913 & 1001 Range Line St APP](#)

100 Austin Avenue

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VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Annual Most Notable Properties Schedule

Commissioner Bybee indicated that he would like to re-establish a regular schedule for the Most Notable Properties program, commencing in August with accepting applications through the end of November. Voting would take place at the January meeting each year, and the event would be held in late May.

He also suggested that Commissioners look to diversify the applicant pool to include landscapes, landmarks, events, etc... not just structures.

B. Most Notable Properties Publication

This item was tabled until Commissioner Ott is able to attend for discussion of his vision for the project.

C. Importance of Commissioner Engagement

Commissioner Bybee discussed the importance of Commissioner engagement in events and meetings held by the Commission, and asked what types of activities would increase engagement and participation among Commissioners and members of the public. HE estimated that each Commissioner should commit to 3-5 hours per month outside of our normal meeting times to help with projects and events.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. BillionGraves Project - Publicizing

Liaison Palmer noted that he would be taking part in the Billion Graves project on June 25th by photographing and transcribing his family gravesites. He reminded Commissioners to please help spread the word for the project as we near the day of the event.

B. Alsbaugh Property Photos

Commissioner Bybee reported on his recent visit to the property with staff members from Parks & Recreation, and he shared photos from the visit.

IX. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, MEMBERS AND STAFF

Commissioner Bybee discussed the ongoing challenges with the Commission's architectural salvage efforts. He indicated that there is a lack of storage space for new items, and limited time to undertake new salvage projects.

He asked that the Commission consider their goals for the salvaged materials for discussion at a future meeting. He also suggested that a partnership with the CoMo Preservation group may be worth discussing with them in the near future.

Mr. Palmer reminded the Commission to keep reviewing their duties and responsibilities, indicating that more discussion will take place as the preservation planning process begins.

Mr. Bybee also reported some preliminary findings on the property at 1611 University Avenue, which may indicate that the property once belonged to a member of the Knight Family, who owned Knight's Drugstore. He plans to do more research on the property as time permits.

X. NEXT MEETING DATE

Commissioners discussed potentially moving their July meeting to Wednesday the 5th, due to the holiday. Mr. Palmer made note and indicated that he would work with Event Services to secure a meeting room and confirm the date.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Hagen moved to adjourn.

Commissioner Ross seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

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