

**AURORA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, June 9, 2020**  
**6:30 p.m.**



**Webex Virtual Meeting**  
**Aurora, CO**

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**Present:** Chair Gordon Tucker, Vice Chair Elizabeth Hamilton, Secretary Lynne Evans, Michael Lockwood, Courtney Morehouse, Barbara Henk, Amy Bailey, Chris Geddes, Megan Berens, Michael Ackman, and Charlie Peters

**Staff:** Drake Brownfield, Scott Williams, Jacob McDonald

**Guests:** Todd Discher, David Goss, Todd McMahan

### **I. Call to Order**

A quorum being present, Chair Gordon Tucker called the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC or Commission) meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The minutes from the HPC regular meeting on May 12, 2020 were approved via motion.

Commissioner Hamilton moved that the regular HPC meeting be suspended for a public hearing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ackman and passed unanimously by voice vote.

The regular HPC meeting was suspended at 6:34.

### **II. Public Hearing on the approval of the 1557 N. Dallas Street Landmark Nomination**

The Public Hearing on the approval of the landmark nomination of 1557 North Dallas Street was called to order at 6:34 p.m. Historic Preservation Specialist Drake Brownfield presented the nomination.

Commissioner Geddes moved to approve the landmark nomination of 1557 North Dallas Street. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Morehouse and passed unanimously by voice vote.

A motion to adjourn the Public Hearing and resume the Regular June 9, 2020 HPC meeting was made by Commissioner Morehouse. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Henk. The motion passed by voice vote.

The Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

The Regular June 9, 2020 HPC meeting resumed at 6:55 p.m.

### **III. Staff Report**

Historic Preservation Specialist Drake Brownfield gave his report to the Commission

**Section 106 reviews:** No historic properties affected.

**Landmark Brochures:** Landmark brochures which include the newest landmarks have been printed.

**Royal Villa Cottage Court HABS Level II Assessment:** The Royal Villa Cottage Court building is located on the southwest corner of Peoria Street and Colfax Avenue, 12030 E. Colfax. It was originally a 260-unit building. Historic Preservation Specialist Drake Brownfield has had no response from the developer. Drake will contact the developer and ask that Commissioners Tucker and Geddes be allowed to do a HABS Assessment on the property.

**Loafing Shed:** The final inspection was conducted and passed. Historic Preservation Specialist Drake Brownfield will file the final paperwork for the SHF grant with the state. There is still some ADA concrete work to be completed on the north side of the building.

**Coal Creek School:** The flooring project was inspected, and a list of corrections was developed. The city will be addressing the corrections. An alarm system has been installed.

**Gully House:** The new storm windows have been installed.

**Newspaper Digitization Project:** No update.

**Budget:** The current budget is \$5,160.05.

#### IV. Old Business

**Lowry 880:** Commissioner Geddes is working on the interpretive signage. Signage might cost between \$6,000.00 and \$8,000.00. Funding sources need to be explored.

**Oral History Project:** No update.

**Fox Grant:** The grant was approved on April 20<sup>th</sup> and the contract mailed to History Colorado. The contract is being processed and the city has two years to complete the project because of Covid-19

**Subcommittee Reports: Designation Subcommittee:** HPC Commissioners were given a copy of the Cultural Heritage site nomination for the Mission Viejo site **ahead of tonight's vote.**

**KOA Project update:** The project is progressing. The concrete base for the fountain has been poured.

**Site Plan Report:** Commissioner Lockwood and Commissioner Ackman will present at the next HPC meeting.

**Mission Viejo Cultural Heritage site:** David Goss and Tom McMahon presented the Cultural Heritage site information. Commissioner Geddes made a motion to designate Mission Viejo as a Cultural Heritage site. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ackman and passes by unanimously by a voice vote. **Mission Viejo Neighborhood was thus designated a Cultural Heritage Site.**

#### V. New Business: None

#### Items for the August 11, 2020 meeting will include:

- Update on 1557 Landmark nomination approval from City Council
- Update on Red Cross Project
- Update on Lowry Building 880 interpretive signage
- Update on the Coal Creek COA
- Update on the Loafing Shed
- Update on Oral History
- Update KOA project
- Update on Fire Station #5

- Update on the Fox Grant
- Update on the Aurora Newspaper Digitization Project
- Update on the Royal Villa Motor Court HABS Assessment
- Subcommittees reports: Events
- Site Plan report: Commissioners Lockwood & Ackman
- Report on Wards meetings

**Snacks for August: Chris Geddes**


**August Site Plan Report: Original Aurora Region Group 1 & 2 Commissioners Lockwood & Ackman**

**VI. Adjournment:**

The Commission adjourned its meeting at 7:39 p.m.

Submitted by: Lynne Evans

Date: June 24, 2020

Approved by:  Date: 08/11/2020

**As amended**