

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Minutes for May 19, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers, Municipal Building
911 N. 7th Avenue, Pocatello, ID

The meeting began at 6:00 PM

AGENDA ITEM #1: ROLL CALL AND DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND EX-PARTE CONTACT

Disclose who was talked to, the basic substance of the conversation, and whether the conversation had any influence. Disclose if there is anything personally or professionally that would not allow an impartial or unbiased decision. Disclose if a site visit was done, location(s) of the visit, and what was seen.

PRESENT: Jacquee Alvord, Ruta Casabianca, Donald Elston, Elizabeth Fore, and Nick Nielson.

EXCUSED: Latecia Herzog and Marty Vizcarra.

STAFF: Jim Anglesey, Councilwoman Leeuwrik, and Aceline McCulla.

No members had any conflict of interest or concerns.

AGENDA ITEM #2: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Commission may wish to approve the meeting minutes from May 5, 2021.

It was moved by **J. Alvord** and seconded by **D. Elston** to approve the meeting minutes, as written, from May 5, 2021. Those in favor: Alvord, Casabianca, Elston, Fore, Nielson. Unanimous. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #3: ELECT CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

This time has been set aside for the Commission to elect a new Chair and Vice Chair

Alvord nominated Marty Vizcarra as the Chair.

It was moved by **J. Alvord** and seconded by **E. Fore** to appoint **M. Vizcarra** as HPC Chair. Those in favor: Alvord, Casabianca, Elston, Fore, Nielson. Unanimous. Motion carried.

The Commission discussed the Chair responsibilities and then it was moved by **E. Fore** and seconded by **D. Elston** to re-open the nominations for the Chair. Discussion ensued.

Alvord nominated **M. Vizcarra** and **R. Casabianca** to appoint M. Vizcarra as HPC Chair, upon Vizcarra acceptance of the appointment. Those in favor: Alvord, Casabianca, Elston, Fore, Nielson. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Alvord nominated Elizabeth Fore as Vice Chair.

It was moved by **J. Alvord** and seconded by **D. Elston** to appoint Elizabeth Fore as HPC Vice Chair. Those in favor: Alvord, Casabianca, Elston, Fore, Nielson. Unanimous. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #4: CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS

4A. Angeline Underwood has submitted an application for a certificate of appropriateness for wall, window and door signage at 243 W. Center Street, known as the Taxi Cab building.

Angeline Underwood, the applicant stated she owns two food trucks and wants to move into this location. The signs BRICK 243 will be painted and the lower signage will be vinyl decals.

It was moved by **D. Elston** and seconded by **J. Alvord** to approve the request by Angeline Underwood for the window signage at 243 W. Center Street as presented, and to authorize Chair Nielson to sign the Certificate of Appropriateness. Those in favor: Alvord, Casabianca, Elston, Fore, and Nielson. Unanimous. Motion carried.

4B. Josh Pohlman of Sixes, LLC has submitted a request seeking the Commission's approval for a new mural art program in the Downtown Historic District.

Josh Pohlman of SIXES LLC stated this is a community diversity event for artists to create murals in the downtown area. This will assist with graffiti abatement. There are guidelines the artist and businesses will need to follow.

Anglesey stated the HPC would approve the four locations requested, not the artwork.

Marty Daniels works at the New Horizons Center, who talked about youth issues and how they are using graffiti abatement to educate and teach youth to use their abilities in a positive arena.

Kaitlin Johnson asked that the HPC approve any locations that business owners want to participate without coming back for approval before the HPC.

Anglesey verified the four locations listed in the staff report are okay. No other locations have been verified or approved at this time. **Nielson** clarified that staff would need to get the location information and get approval from staff before painting would happen.

It was moved by **D. Elston** and seconded by **E. Fore** to approve the request by SIXES LLC to approve the art mural program guidelines and the mural locations listed on page one (1) of the staff report, and as more locations become available, the new locations will be presented to staff for approval, and if any location has issues, it will come before to the HPC for approval, and to authorize Chair Nielson to sign the Certificate of Appropriateness. Those in favor: Alvord, Casabianca, Elston, Fore, and Nielson. Unanimous. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM 5: AMERICAN WWII HERITAGE CITY PROGRAM

The Commission may wish to discuss the potential of nominating Pocatello as a candidate for the WWII Heritage City designation through the National Park Service.

Anglesey gave a summary of the program, included in the agenda packet and if the City should be designated as a World War II Heritage City.

It was moved by **R. Casabianca** and seconded by **J. Alvord** to submit the application for the WWII Heritage City designation for the City of Pocatello.

Fore volunteered to be the lead for the application process for the WWII Heritage City designation through the National Park Service application process.

It was moved by **E. Fore** and seconded by **D. Elston** to approve Fore to be the lead in the application process to nominate the City of Pocatello for the WWII Heritage City designation. Those in favor: Alvord, Casabianca, Elston, Fore, and Nielson. Unanimous. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM 6: BRADY CHAPEL CENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

The Commission may wish to discuss any items regarding the campaign plan.

Casabianca needs help with the grant application, she needs someone with historical background and knowledge to help write the questions on the historic components for the application questions. Members will send Casabianca the information they have on the cemetery and the chapel.

Memorial Day 31st Shifts

Herzog 11-4

Elston 11-4

Alvord 11-2

Casabianca 11-2

Leeuwrik 2-4

Fore 2-4

With no other business, it was moved by **J. Alvord** and seconded by **D. Elston** to close the meeting at 7:59 PM. Those in favor: Alvord, Casabianca, Elston, Fore, and Nielson. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Submitted by: *Aceline McCulla*
Aceline McCulla, Secretary

Approved on: *June 2, 2021*