



Minutes

Historic Preservation Commission

Monday, September 22, 2025

5:30 PM

Small Conference Room, City Hall

1. **HYBRID MEETING DETAILS**

25-00775 Please click the link to join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88111913944>
Webinar ID: 881 1191 3944
Or Telephone: (253) 205 0468; or (253) 215 8782; or (346) 248 7799

2. **ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm.

*Present: Summer O'Neill, acting as Chair; Mike Chapman, Chair; Jerame Moore; Angela Stephenson; Reed Hadley
Excused: Gena Graham;
Unexcused: Rick Johnson;
Staff: Nick Little, CD Director; Irene Rutikanga, Planner; Justin Brown, Parks & Rec Director; Peter Brickey, Parks;
Nancy Vandehey, Admin
Guests: Liz Borders, The Broader Strokes Project*

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

25-00776 **MINUTES FROM MARCH 24, 2025
NO MEETING HELD IN APRIL, MAY, JUNE, JULY or AUGUST**
The minutes passed as presented.

4. **CONSTITUENT COMMENTS**

5. **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

6. **WORKSHOP**

25-00777 **CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS CA 2025-3 THE MERK MURAL AT 1339
COMMERCE AVE
RECOMMENDED ACTION:
RECEIVE PRESENTATION AND CONSIDER UNDER NEW BUSINESS**

There was a brief clarification by Nick Little as to the scope of HPC's decision today. Discussion included the FDC sign and pipes being unable to be painted and the design of the mural. The design of the mural is not in the scope of approval.

Reed Hadley made a motion to move forward for a final decision under New Business, seconded by Angela Stephenson. This passed with a 4-1 vote, with the no vote from Jerame Moore.

25-00886 CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS CA 2025-4 JAPANESE GARDEN FENCING AT LAKE SACAJAWEA
RECOMMENDED ACTION: RECEIVE PRESENTATION AND CONSIDER UNDER NEW BUSINESS

Peter Brickey, from Parks, shared a presentation on the need to update the fencing at the Japanese garden. Discussion included the gate location and maintenance of the fence from 25 years ago. And the maintenance schedule would be pressure washing and checking for stability. Justin Brown provided some background information on the current design of the fencing panels and the rot that happens due to the notched interlocking design.

Reed Hadley made a motion to move forward to New Business with this item, seconded by Jerame Moore. This passed unanimously.

7. OLD BUSINESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

25-00778 CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS CA THE MERK MURAL AT 1339 COMMERCE AVE
RECOMMENDED ACTION: MOTION TO APPROVE THE MERK MURAL AT 1339 COMMERCE AVE
(ATTACHMENTS IN THE WORKSHOP ITEM)

With no further discussion, Angela Stephenson made a motion to approve, seconded by Reed Hadley. This passed with a 4-1 vote, with the no vote from Jerame Moore.

25-00887 CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS CA JAPANESE GARDEN FENCING AT LAKE SACAJAWEA
RECOMMENDED ACTION: MOTION FOR APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH CEDAR SPLIT RAIL FENCING
(ATTACHMENTS IN THE WORKSHOP ITEM)

With no further discussion, Angela Stephenson made a motion to approve, seconded by Jerame Moore. This passed unanimously.

25-00888 URBAN FOREST DISEASE TREATMENT PLAN – INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION
RECOMMENDED ACTION:
THIS ITEM IS FOR INFORMATION ONLY. NO ACTION IS REQUESTED FROM THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION AT THIS TIME.

Justin Brown shared a presentation on Dutch Elm disease and Emerald Ash Borer. This is shared as informational only due to the number of potentially affected trees at Lake Sacajawea in our historic district.

9. REPORTS

10. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 pm.