

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES
CITY OF PEORIA, ARIZONA
DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES BUILDING
JUNE 19, 2019**

A **Meeting** of the Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Peoria, Arizona, convened at 9875 N. 85th Avenue, Peoria, AZ in open and public session at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Vice-Chair Shelby Duplessis, Secretary Mike Fusco, Commissioners Lauren Allsopp, Karen Garbe, Linda Spencer and Mary Lou McNeill

Members Absent: Chair Mike Heath

Staff Present: Chris Jacques – Planning Director, Lorie Dever – Planning Manager, David Benton – Assistant City Attorney, Cody Gleason – Senior Planner, Amanda Beck – Planner and Della Ernest – Executive Assistant.

Opening Statement: The Opening Statement was dispensed with by Vice-Chair Duplessis

Roll Call: Read by Della Ernest

Call for speaker request forms.

Audience: none

Note: The order in which items appear in the minutes is not necessarily the order in which they were discussed in the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed with a “C” are considered to be routine by the Historic Preservation Commission, and were enacted by one motion.

1C **DISPOSITION OF ABSENCE:** Discussion and possible action to approve the absence of Commissioners Shelby Duplessis, Karen Garbe, and Linda Spencer from the Historic Preservation Commission meeting held on April 17, 2019.

2C **MINUTES:** Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission meeting held on April 17, 2019.

COMMISSION ACTION: Secretary Fusco moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Spencer and upon vote, passed 6-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS:

3R **Peoria Jail House National Register Nomination**

Staff briefing and possible discussion regarding the status of the Peoria Jail House National Register Nomination.

Ms. Amanda Beck presented to the Commission, an overview of the draft report prepared by the city's consultant Logan Simpson Design. Staff asked about the existence of any supporting documentation that the Consultant could utilize to supplement the report.

COMMISSION COMMENTS:

Secretary Fusco offered a few names of residents and city employees that could have additional information on the Peoria Jail House's history.

Commissioner Garbe confirmed that there are photographs, audio interviews and other records inside the Peoria Historical Museum related to the Jail House.

Commissioner Spencer stated there are also diaries/journals inside the museum.

Commissioner Allsopp stated that if there are limited or poor quality photographs of the building, it would be counted against the nomination. It is recommended that additional visual evidence be provided illustrating the evolution of the building's exterior, such as through photographs documenting the original cover/texture of the building. Commissioner Allsopp also indicated a few grammatically/typos to be corrected.

Commissioner Fusco asked what happens to the nomination if it does not make the National Register.

Mr. Jacques stated we could get state or local recognition.

4R **PlanPeoria2040: Study Session**

Staff briefing and possible discussion regarding the City's ongoing efforts to update the Peoria General Plan.

Ms. Lorie Dever presented to the Commission the following items:

- Role of General Plan in Historic Preservation
- Scope and Schedule of Work
- Results of Open Houses
- Themes and General Layout
- Review of Draft Goals

Mr. Chris Jacques presented to the Commission, the City Council Livability Initiative and how it overlaps with some of the General Plan topics/themes.

COMMISSION COMMENTS:

Commissioner McNeil asked if the goals and policies within the General Plan is binding.

Ms. Dever stated that when the city receives a development case, it is reviewed against those goals and policies. If there is an amendment to the general plan, or a change

requested to the zoning district, it is up to the applicant to demonstrate how the proposal is in keeping with the intent of the General Plan, and why the change is better than the existing condition.

Secretary Fusco commented that his concern is the city is focusing on expansion and not focusing on preserving existing portions of the city.

Commissioner Spencer asked the dates of the General Plan open house.

Ms. Dever stated the dates are tentative but looking at mid to late August.

Secretary Fusco commented that he'd like to see a hospital and university in the city.

Vice-Chair Duplessis commented that she'd be happy with a hospital or university located in the west valley if not in Peoria.

Commissioner Spencer commented that when she visits Rio Vista, she feels like she is part of the community.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC (NON-AGENDA ITEMS): None

UPDATES FROM STAFF:

Mr. Jacques informed the Commission that the July 11, 2019 meeting is cancelled and we will have a special meeting on August 7th.

REPORTS FROM HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION:

Commissioner Allsopp thanked staff for the hard work on the General Plan Update.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Historic Preservation Commission, the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Mike Heath, Chair

Date Signed