



City of Longview

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Minutes

Historic Preservation Commission

Wednesday, May 27, 2015

5:30 PM

City Hall Small Conference Room

1. Roll Call

Doris Disbrow brought the meeting to order at 5:35 pm. Gary Nordin, Tom Anderson, Jonell Kenagy, were present. Cam Hanna was a late arrival. Ms. Kenagy departed at 7:30 pm. Bill Kasch was excused. Abe Ott was absent. Also present was Spencer, a freshman at Mark Morris and Ivona Kininmonth, project engineer.

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2. Approval of Minutes

The group reviewed the minutes: strike duplicate statement about awning. Mikayla Bragg is misspelled. Mr. Nordin made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections. Mr. Anderson seconded. The motion carried.

3. Constituent Comments

4. Board Member Comments

Mr. Nordin commented that Abe Ott gave a great presentation at the Cowlitz Museum on his masters thesis project. Doris Disbrow was pleased by the turnout at the events planned for HPC month. 30 plus people attended the tour of the Post Office. 10- 12 people made the walking tour of downtown Longview. The postmistress expressed interest in having the post office listed on the local historic register.

Doris Disbrow commented that the City Council would have to vote on a name change for RA Long Park. Doris and Gary have talked with council members and found no enthusiasm for a name change.

Jonell Kenagy attended an open house at Jacki Evan's home and found it amazing.

5. Reports

Reports from Staff

Staff reported that progress is being made on finding a firm to complete the

grant funded project for the Old West Side neighborhood. Doris Disbrow added that she had talked with several people at City Hall and learned that the staff time allocation for the HPC is only 1%. She is hoping her next meeting with the Assistant City Manager will be a chance to ask for more funding for the program and more staff time. Mr. Hanna encouraged her.

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Doris Disbrow noted that without the poster contest we missed the chance for engagement with the parents of the students as well as the students.

Project Longview

The Project Longview did not meet.

6. Unfinished Business

Placeholder for: RA Long Park improvements Cert. of Appropriateness

Ivona Kininmonth gave a presentation for a certificate of approval for improvements at RA Long Park.

The plaza will have stormwater features which are required: pervious pavers, in red.

With funding the project will replace 3 of the old green street lights. Grass pavers will be installed in high traffic areas.

Notes on the finish of the concrete: the engineering department has tried to find a matching tool for the original sidewalk scoring pattern. So far they have been unsuccessful but may be able to order the right tool. In a test pour they found the original style of concrete is not replicable today.

Ivona also detailed how concrete pads leading to old crossings are to be removed to deter crossing.

Mr. Hanna asked if there would be landscaping around the new electrical box. Ivona said that could be done.

Mr. Hanna asked if the RA Long bust/statue would need to break up the library plaza. Could a spread footing be used or an earthen form? Ivona said a Sono Tube may be able to be used. Possible to remove the panels and replace them with the streets departments sidewalk sucker device.

The project is slated to start after Squirrel fest. Ivona asked the group about the color of a fountain liner. Mr. Hanna felt it needs review and asked for an example picture. Is epoxy an option? To avoid vandalism? Also to be proposed at a later meeting: lighting layout and intensity in the fountain.

Staff noted the trees in the park are not being removed as part of this project even though it was recommended in the Master Plan. That aspect has been left up to the parks Department to implement.

A motion was made by Cam Hanna to approve the project with the exception of separate certificates for the finish of the sidewalks, lighting layout and fountain pool liner color and material. Mr. Anderson seconded. The motion passed.

7. **New Business****CA 2015-4 REQUEST TO REPLACE WINDOWS ON HISTORIC GRAFF HOUSE 1639 21ST AVE**

Doris Disbrow, owner of the Graff House proposes to replace the white vinyl windows installed in her home with historically compatible Fibrex wood windows over a two year period. The project is intended to qualify for Special Valuation.

Recommended Action: Motion to approve, approve with conditions or deny the application.

Attachments: [CA 2015-4 and attachments](#)

Ms. Disbrow turned over the chair to Cam Hanna. Ms. Disbrow requested feedback on her application for a certificate of appropriateness to replace the windows in her home with Fibrex wood windows. Mr. Hanna asked about the timing of the special valuation request; whether the work would be done within the 2 year time frame. Another question about overlap of the existing and new special valuations for her home was raised. After consideration, the members of the HPC heard a motion from Gary Nordin to approve CA 2015-4. The motion carried with Doris Disbrow abstaining.

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9. **Adjournment**

Jonell Kenagy shared her appreciation for articles run in the newspaper on Longview's history.

Tom Anderson made a motion to adjourn at 6:45 pm