MINUTES OF THE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
September 10, 2015
Hatton Hall at the Governor Benjamin B. Moer Housw Campus
34 E. 7th Street, Tempe, AZ 85281
6:00 PM

Commission Present:
Andrea Gregory, Chair
Scott Solliday, Vice Chair
Ira Bennett
Anne Billsbarrow
Chuck Buss
Kori Turner

City Staff Present
Hunter Hansen
Billy Kiser, HPO Intern
Jared Smith, Tempe History Museum
John Larsen Southard, Historic Preservation Officer
Cerelia Torres, Intern
Mark Vinson, FAIA / AICP, City Architect

Commission Absent:
Charlie Lee
Lauren Proper
Brenda Shears

Public Present
Alyssa Gerszewski
Karyn Gittis
Vic Linoff
Joe Nucci

Chair Gregory called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm

1. Call to Audience:
   • No Reply

2. CONSIDERATION OF MEETING MINUTES: 08/13/2015

Commissioner Billsbarrow moved the Commission to approve the August 13, 2015 minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Solliday and passed with a vote of 5-0.

3. Presentation on Tempe Butte water tank rehabilitation plan – Ken Snow
   • Andrew Romance, PE, an employee of Dibble Engineering, substituted for Ken Snow
   • Overview of water tank rehabilitation project
   • Proposed 4-foot swale has been removed from the proposal, per input from SRP-MIC and GRIC
   • "Geotechnical curtain" to be used as a control mechanism for falling rocks
   • Water tank overflow discharge piping has also been redesigned

4. Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation update – Karyn Gittis
   • Overview of THPF history and mission
   • Description of Eisendrath House rehabilitation project
   • Explanation of new uses for repurposed Eisendrath House, which is slated to open November 20th

5. Apache and Alameda Character Areas progress update – Hunter Hansen
   • Overview of Character Area (CA) planning process
   • Historic preservation (HP) being integrated into character-defining-feature planning
   • Overview of previous CA workshops, activities, and attendees
• Timeline for CA completion (final plans to be released in December)
• Place-making: emphasis on customizing and localizing each CA
• Place-making is being approached through an emphasis on local history
• Apache CA - #1 priority, as determined by residents, was historic preservation
• Explanation of flood irrigation as an historic context
• Description of redesign plans for Old 8th Street
• Victory Acres overview
• Alameda CA: historic preservation in first tier of importance among residents
• Date Palm Manor is currently the only historic district in Alameda CA
• Overview of next steps in CA planning; Hansen to present at HPC again in November
• Request for HPC input on CA planning process, within the context of preservation goals and the HP plan
• HPC feedback to be provided via email to HPO staff
• Historic eligible (HE) properties can be shown on maps; CAs can be an avenue for future historic districts
• CAs will need to be revisited periodically in the future – perhaps at ten-year intervals

6. Project updates on Eisendrath House, Hayden House, Hayden Flour Mill, and Valor on 8th

• Eisendrath House – city has preliminary certificate of occupancy, grand opening slated for November
• Hayden House – overview of proceedings with development project and compliance with guidelines
• Discussion of current security measures at Hayden House; HPO surveys vandalism and deterioration daily
• Flour Mill – development agreement not yet executed
• Valor on 8th – new veteran housing project next to Elias-Rodriguez – HPO to issue Certificate of No Effect
• No response yet from property owners regarding de-listing of the Pedro Escalante House

7. HPO Intern Program Updates

• Introduction of Cerelia Torres
• Overview of recent work by Daniel Vinson

8. Chair / Staff Updates

• Tomlinson Estates design guidelines meeting September 23 at 7:00 pm at the Knights of Pythias Hall
• No update on Ocotillo Power Plant project, which has been delayed
• Tempe Neighborhood Services pursuing a greening project and low-cost rehabilitation in Victory Acres
• University Village – City Council approved a PAD that calls for demolishing 1962 Al Beadle-designed apartment complex currently onsite
• SRP-MIC hosting cultural sensitivity training on September 15
• Overview of a meeting and site visit at Tempe Butte between HPO, GRIC, and SRP-MIC

Chair Gregory adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Prepared by:  Billy Kiser, HPO Intern
Reviewed by:  John Larsen Southard, Senior Planner / Historic Preservation Officer

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Andrea Gregory, Chair