



CLARK COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES

Meeting Held: December 4, 2012

Member Present:	Andy Gregg, Eric Lanciault, David Fenton, Steve Kaiser, Doug Wilson
Members Excused:	
Staff Present:	Jan Bader and Jon Wagner, City of Vancouver
Volunteers:	
Guests:	Seanette Corkill, George Golden, Ryan Zygar, Mike True

I. Work Session

Jan Bader reminded the Commission that their articles for the 2012 Preservation Post are due by Friday, December 7th.

The January meeting of the Commission is scheduled to fall on New Year's Day. Neither City nor County staff knew of any business that would need to come before the Commission in January so the Commission agreed to skip the meeting and meet next at their regularly scheduled February 5th date.

Jan reminded the Commission that they had unspent outreach and education funding for 2012. After discussion, the Commission agreed to sponsor the Clark County Historic Museum's 2013 Walking Tours and lecture series. The lecture series sponsorship was on the condition that the Commission be allowed to plan two of the lectures. The members discussed a possible panel presentation on architecture with Don Cassidy, the architect for the old Vancouver downtown library. Jan will follow up with Susan Tissot at the Museum to see if she would be interested in this partnership.

II. Roll Call & Introductions – Eric Lanciault, David Fenton, Steve Kaiser, Doug Wilson and Andy Gregg.

III. November 6, 2012 Minutes Approved:

Doug Wilson noted that the minutes did not include the recommendations that the Commission made on the Slocum House. He asked that that section be brought back as unfinished business next month so that the recommendations could be included. Andy Gregg said he could provide some assistance from his notes. It was moved by Doug Wilson and seconded by David Fenton to approve the minutes of November 6, 2012 with the one correction as recommended. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Public Comment – None

V. City Liaison Report - None

VI. New Business & Announcements

Andy Gregg noted that he had signed and mail the historic register certificate for the Camas American Legion Hall.

Academy Building

Mike True, CFO/COO for the Fort Vancouver Trust gave a briefing on the Trust's efforts to purchase the Academy Building. The Trust is doing a capital campaign to raise \$10.6 million for the purchase and initial renovations of the Academy. The goal of the purchase is to preserve the historic structures on the property and to provide additional opportunities to tell the story of Mother Joseph, the Sisters of Providence and the Academy's rich history. In addition to the Academy building, the grounds include the laundry, boiler plant, smoke stake and gymnasium. There is also a more modern (70's era) building that operates as a restaurant. The grounds are just under 7 acres and in addition to preserving the historic buildings, the Trust hopes to develop the property so that it contributes to the revitalization of downtown.

105 & 109 Main Street, 106 E. Evergreen (Vancouver Historic Overlay District)

Designer Seanette Corkill and property owner George Golden presented conceptual plans for the façade and lighting renovations for the "L" shaped building that includes 105 & 109 Main and 106 E. Evergreen. The Commission had a brief discussion about the proposed changes – which are all not material – and also about the need for the Commission to review these types of cosmetic changes. Jon Wagner noted that these buildings are inside the Main Street Overlay district and are therefore subject to the Commissions review. Eric Lanciault moved, Steve Kaiser seconded support for the conceptual plans, motion passed unanimously. The Commission asked the applicants to come back at the February with more detail about the cornices and façade material.

VII. Greely Building (Clark County Heritage Register)

Ryan Zygar from Tamarack Construction presented update plans for the building (attached) and requested revisions to the certificate of appropriateness. While the majority of the windows will not be replaced in this phase of construction, the Commission did request that the windows be preserved or at least replaced with period appropriate materials. David Fenton moved and Eric Lanciault seconded approving the revisions to the certificate of appropriateness. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. New Business & Announcements (Part 2)

Doug Wilson recently talked to Rob Freed, former chair of the Commission. Now that the Clark County Poor Farm is on its way to a listing on the National Register, Rob recommended that the County consider putting it on the local register as well. The Commission was supportive of that idea and will discuss the request with Jacqui Kamp.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.