

MINUTES
Joint Meeting
Historic Resources Commission
Cultural Commission
Thursday, September 11, 2014 ● 5:30 PM
Community Center Sierra Room, 851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada

Historic Resources Commission Members

Chair – Jed Block Commissioner – Elizabeth Dickey Commissioner – Gregory Hayes Commissioner – Lou Ann Speulda	Vice Chair – Robert Darney Commissioner – Mike Drews Commissioner – Donald Smit
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Cultural Commission Members

Chair – Robert Stansbury Commissioner – Karen Abowd Commissioner – Danielle Cook Commissioner – Jaswinder (Jesse) Singh Dhami	Vice Chair – Elinor Bugli Commissioner – Peter Barton Commissioner – Terri McBride
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Staff

Susan Dorr Pansky, Planning Manager
Vern Krahn, Park Planner
Joseph Ward, Senior Deputy District Attorney
Tamar Warren, Deputy Clerk/Recording Secretary

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A. CALL TO ORDER

- 1) **CARSON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION (5:31:52)** – by Chairperson Block.
- 2) **CARSON CITY CULTURAL COMMISSION (5:31:31)** – by Chairperson Stansbury.

B. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

- 1) **CARSON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION (5:32:40)** – A quorum was present.

Attendee Name	Status	Arrived
Jed Block	Present	
Robert Darney	Present	
Elizabeth Dickey	Absent	
Mike Drews	Present	
Gregory Hayes	Present	
Donald Smit	Present	
Lou Ann Speulda	Present	

2) CARSON CITY CULTURAL COMMISSION (5:32:02) – A quorum was present.

Attendee Name	Status	Arrived
Robert Stansbury	Present	
Elinor Bugli	Present	
Karen Abowd	Present	
Peter Barton	Present	
Danielle Cook	Present	
Terri McBride	Present	
Jaswinder (Jesse) Singh Dhama	Absent	

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

(5:33:06) – Chris Bayer, President, Brewery Arts Center (BAC) Board of Directors, wished to express his support of the historic resources in Carson City, adding “we are blessed with enormous cultural resources”. He also notified the commissions of the acquisition of a low-power FM radio license (KNBC 95.1) by the BAC in October, 2013. Mr. Bayer stated that the radio would publicize all the City’s events, and historic and cultural resources. He encouraged all the organizations to utilize this mechanism to “get the word out”.

D. ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1) CARSON CITY HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION

(5:37:15) – MOTION: I move to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2014 Historic Resources Commission meeting as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Drews
SECONDER:	Hayes
AYES:	Block, Darney, Drews, Hayes, Smit, Speulda
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Dickey

2) CARSON CITY CULTURAL COMMISSION

(5:37:32) – MOTION: I move to approve the minutes of the Tuesday, March 18, 2014 Cultural Commission Meeting as published.

RESULT:	APPROVED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Abowd
SECONDER:	Bugli
AYES:	Stansbury, Bugli, Abowd, Barton, Cook, McBride
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None
ABSENT:	Dhama

E. MODIFICATION OF AGENDA (5:38:05) – None.

F. DISCLOSURES

(5:38:39) – Vice Chairperson Darney disclosed that he had met with Chairperson Block regarding agenda item J-2.

(5:39:04) – Commissioner Drews disclosed that he was a member of the Nevada State Prison Steering Committee (agenda item G-1), and that he had prepared the Public Works Staff Report for agenda item J-3.

(5:39:30) – Chairperson Block disclosed that he had had a conversation with Ed and Cathy Smith regarding agenda item J-1.

(5:39:38) – Commissioner Barton disclosed that he was a member of the Nevada State Prison Steering Committee as well (agenda item G-1), adding that he would abstain from commenting on the item as his office “will probably have something to do with this in the future”.

G. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS:

G-1 HRC-14-029 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ONLY REGARDING THE NEVADA STATE PRISON STEERING COMMITTEE’S FINAL DRAFT OF THEIR REPORT TO THE NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE ENTITLED *THE FUTURE OF THE NEVADA STATE PRISON* PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 356.

(5:40:48) – Ms. Dorr Pansky gave background and presented the agenda materials, noting that this final draft will be provided to the Nevada Legislature in February of 2015. She also introduced Rebecca Palmer from the State Historic Preservation Office and Tom Porada, representing the Nevada State Prison (NSP) Steering Committee.

Mr. Porada, Vice President of the NSP Preservation Society and a member of the NSP Steering Committee, presented the report, incorporated into the record and noted that it was available on www.nspps.org.

(5:55:20) – Commissioner Cook suggested replacing the proposed hotel with artist lofts in order to receive art grants. Mr. Porada stated that they had many suggestions that they were considering, including preserving the “jail cell artwork”.

(5:57:22) – Commissioner Smit inquired about the generation of building improvement funds. Mr. Porada noted the State would assign organizations to maintain their lands once the Nevada Department of Corrections leaves the facility. He also expected to rely on private investors in the future. There were several suggestions of partnerships with organizations.

(6:02:18) – Chairperson Block inquired about grants and donations due to the Preservation Society’s nonprofit status and was informed they were being considered.

(6:05:40) – Commissioner McBride inquired about the timeframe in which the execution chamber would no longer be used, and Mr. Porada clarified that the Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC) would have to follow the law and comply. Discussion ensued regarding the City’s ability to sustain another cultural entity with the Brewery Arts Center staff losing their jobs recently. Chairperson Block encouraged private donations and he thanked Mr. Porada and his organization for all their hard work.

(6:12:15) – Commissioner Drews announced that a National Register nomination was in the works for NSP.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (6:15:32) – None.

I. ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT FOR ONLY THE CARSON CITY CULTURAL COMMISSION

(6:16:38) – MOTION: Commissioner Abowd moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McBride. The Cultural Commission adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

(6:24:07) – Chairperson Block called to order the Historic Resources Commission. A quorum was present.

J. PUBLIC HEARING MATTERS – PART 2

J-1. HRC-14-072 FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: TO APPROVE A REQUEST FROM ED AND CATHY SMITH TO CONSTRUCT AN ADDITION WITH ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS BETWEEN THE EXISTING HOUSE AND GARAGE ON PROPERTY ZONED SINGLE FAMILY 6,000 (SF6), LOCATED AT 701 ELIZABETH STREET, APN 003-273-04.

(6:24:44) – Ms. Dorr Pansky presented the agenda materials, incorporated into the record, accompanied by photographs of the property. She also noted that Staff was recommending approval with conditions of approval outlined in the Staff Report, incorporated into the record.

(6:28:57) – Ed Smith noted that a larger kitchen and the need for a pantry were the reasons for the remodel.

(6:29:32) – Mr. Smith also clarified for Commissioner Hayes that everything new in the exterior would match the existing ones. Discussion ensued regarding the material to be used for the shutters.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (6:32:00) – None.

(6:32:07) – MOTION: I move to approve HRC-14-072, a request from property owners Ed and Cathy Smith to construct an addition with associated improvements (front door and shutters, as proposed) between the existing house and garage on property zone Single Family 6,000, located at 701 Elizabeth Street, APN 003-273-04, based on the findings and conditions of approval outlined in the Staff Report, the Standards and Guidelines of for Rehabilitation, the Carson City Historic District Guidelines and consistent with Historic Resources Commission Policies.

RESULT:	APPROVED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Drews
SECONDER:	Hayes
AYES:	Block, Darney, Drews, Hayes, Smit, Speulda
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Dickey

J-2. HRC-14-073 FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: TO APPROVE A REQUEST FROM JED BLOCK (PROPERTY OWNER: CURRY MUSSER PROCTOR AND GREEN, LLC) TO REMOVE THE EXISTING STEEPLE COVER AND RETURN THE STEEPLE TO ITS ORIGINAL CONDITION ON PROPERTY ZONED DOWNTOWN MIXED USE (DT-MU), LOCATED AT 112 N. CURRY STREET, APN 003-215-02.

(6:33:31) – Chairperson Block noted that he was the applicant and the property owner for this agenda item and recused himself from the Commission. Vice Chairperson Darney Chaired the meeting for this item.

(6:34:26) – Ms. Dorr Pansky presented photographs and the agenda materials, incorporated into the record. She also recommended approval based on the attached recommended conditions of approval.

(6:38:35) – Commissioner Drews received confirmation from the applicant that he was amenable to the conditions of approval; however, he requested that upon the removal of the steeple, he wished to restore the roof to “whatever it was” historically. Vice Chairperson Darney believed that the original roof was under the steeple. Discussion ensued.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (6:44:02) – None.

(6:44:11) – MOTION: I move to approve HRC-14-073, a request from Jed Block (property owner: Curry Musser Proctor and Green, LLC) to remove the existing steeple cover and return the steeple to its original condition on property zoned Downtown Mixed-Use (DT-MU), located at 112 N. Curry Street, APN 003-215-02, based on the findings and conditions of approval outlined in the Staff Report, the Standards and Guidelines for Rehabilitation, the Carson City Historic District Guidelines and consistent with the Historic Resources Commission Policies.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Hayes
SECONDER:	Drews
AYES:	Darney, Drews, Hayes, Smit, Speulda
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Dickey

(6:45:35) – Chairperson Block rejoined the Commission.

J-3. HRC-14-056 FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM THE CARSON CITY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT FOR HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT REHABILITATION/UPGRADES, SEWER LINE REPLACEMENT AND STORM WATER IMPROVEMENTS AS REQUIRED FOR FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECTS UNDER SECTION 106 OF THE NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT OF 1966.

(6:46:12) – Commissioner Drews recused himself from the Commission and offered to answer questions regarding the item.

(6:46:22) – Ms. Pansky introduced the agenda items, incorporated into the record, and recommended approval. She also introduced Tom Grundy, Carson City Public Works Project Manager and Mike Drews, Consultant.

(6:52:11) – Vice Chairperson Darney received confirmation from Mr. Grundy that the basin behind the Railroad Museum would be cleaned out by using an excavator and not a bulldozer. Mr. Grundy also confirmed that the open ditch area on West Washington, between Ormsby and Saratoga Streets, would be filled in with drainage. He also noted that this was a five-year project.

There were no public comments.

(6:44:11) – MOTION: I move to approve HRC-14-056, a request from the Carson City Public Works Department for Historic Resources Commission approval of the proposed wastewater treatment plant rehabilitation/upgrades, sewer line replacement and storm water improvements based on the findings and conditions of approval outlined in the staff report, as required for federally funded projects under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and consistent with Chapter 18.06 of the Carson City Municipal Code and with Historic Resources Commission Policies and deletion of items 5 and 6.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Smit
SECONDER:	Hayes
AYES:	Block, Darney, Hayes, Smit, Speulda
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Dickey

J-4. HRC-14-074 FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION REGARDING AN UPDATE OF THE 2014 HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND GRANT AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO SELECT A PROJECT FOR THE 2015 HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND GRANT APPLICATION.

(6:58:13) – Ms. Dorr Pansky presented the Staff Report, incorporated into the record, and noted that the consultant is working towards the 2014 grant submittal deadline of October 1, 2014. She listed the potential projects for 2015 as well, also incorporated into the record. Discussion ensued regarding the importance of the Nevada State Prison Historic Structures Report, and Vice Chairperson Darney wished to keep the Kings Canyon Cultural Resources Inventory up front as well.

(7:05:43) – MOTION: I move to recommend that Staff submit a 2015 Historic Preservation Fund Grant application for the Nevada State Prison Historic Structures Report project on behalf of Carson City, a Certified Local Government.

RESULT:	APPROVED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Drews
SECONDER:	Smit
AYES:	Block, Darney, Drews, Hayes, Smit, Speulda
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Dickey

K. STAFF REPORTS

K-1 PLANNING DIVISION STAFF REPORT TO THE HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION.

(7:06:17) – Ms. Dorr Pansky announced that Herman Bauer’s eight-unit project Special Use Permit approved by the Planning Commission had been appealed to the heard by the Board of Supervisors on October 2, 2014; therefore, his appearance before this Commission had been rescheduled for the November HRC meeting.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS/COMMENTS.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

L. PUBLIC COMMENTS (7:07:35) – None.

M. ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT (7:08:06) – Commissioner Hayes moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Smit. The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

The Minutes of the September 11, 2014 Carson City Historic Resources Commission/Cultural Commission meeting are so approved this 9th day of October, 2014.

JED BLOCK, Chair