

Historical Resources Management Commission Hattie Weber Museum – 445 C Street, Davis, California Corner of 5th and C Streets in Central Park Monday, July 20, 2015

Commissioners Present: Rand Herbert (Chair), Scott Miltenberger, Richard Rifkin, William

Allen Lowry, Karen Clementi, David Hickman

Commissioners Absent: Mark Beason (Vice Chair) and Jonathon Howard (Alternate)

Council Liaisons Present: None

Staff Present: Ike Njoku, Catherine McCort

1. Call to Order.

Chairperson Herbert called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda.

The Commission fixed a typographical error in the agenda before acting on it.

Action: Commissioner Miltenberger moved, seconded by Commissioner Clementi, to approve the agenda as edited. The motion passed unanimously

3. Approval of Minutes.

Action: Commissioner Miltenberger moved, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, to approve the minutes of May 18th. The motion passed unanimously.

Action: Commissioner Clementi moved, seconded by Commissioner Miltenberger, to approve the minutes of May 30th. The motion passed by 5-0-1; Commissioner Lowry abstained since he was present at the special May 30, 2015, meeting.

4. Public Communications.

None

5. Written Communications

Staff Liaison Njoku circulated the written communications.

6. Museum Report

Director Dennis Dingemans presented the Hattie Weber Museum Report. He provided the Commission with an overview of the past year, including the museum's attendance, docents, fund raising efforts, and exhibit rotations. He also reported that on July 21, 2015, the consulting architect Ty Smalley will deliver the WPA building plans with all the requested changes, and that the historical society will then approach the City regarding any potential changes to be made to the new plans.

7. Staff, Council Liaison, and Commissioner Comments None

8. Public Meeting.

A. 213 and 215-217 C Street Historical Resources Analysis (HRA) Determination

Staff Liaison Njoku presented the staff report, including its findings that the buildings do not have historical significance to be eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, the California Register of Historic Resources, or the Davis Register or Historic Resources as a Landmark or as a Merit Resource.

Dana Supernowicz, who prepared the Historical Resources Analysis report of the property, described the property and its history to the Commission.

The Commission asked Mr. Supernowicz to make clear in his report why the A.R. Pedder built house at 213 C Street is not significant, while other similar Pedder houses in Davis referenced in his report are found to be contributors to the potential Old North Conservation District.

Mr. Supernowicz explained that the setting and continuity that exist in the Old North Conservation District do not exist where 213 C Street is located, and that the building had been modified through additions, resulting in his conclusion that the building is not a contributor. Also, Mr. Supernowicz agreed that he would clarify those points in the Historical Resource Analysis.

Proponent John Peauroi commented that he intends to purchase the property, but does not want to do so if there is a barrier to development. He would like the status of the property clarified. He also reported that he is currently working on a proposal for a mixed use building at the location.

Action: Commissioner Rifkin moved, seconded by Commissioner Hickman, that the historical resources analysis report provided for the buildings at 213 and 215-217 C Street is adequate and acceptable, subject to the above clarification, and to accept its findings and conclusion that from an individual basis, the buildings on the two properties are not eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, the California Register of Historic Resources, the Davis Register of Historic Resources as a Landmark, or a Merit Resource. The motion passed unanimously.

Action: Commissioner Rifkin moved, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that given the information provided in the HRA report as clarified, the properties do not have local significance for CEQA purposes to warrant detailed environmental review pursuant to Section 15064.5(a)(4) of CEQA Guidelines. The motion passed unanimously.

B. **622** E Street Historical Resources Survey Documentation (DPR 523) Correction. Steve Penniman and Stacy Parker submitted a report documenting inaccuracies in the in the City's 2003 Survey of Historical Resources description of the house at 622 E Street,

and requested a revision of the documentation as part of the current citywide inventory of historical resources and update project.

The Commission thanked the property owners for the documentation they provided and added that this new information should be included in the current survey update project.

9. Business Items

A. Commission Discussion of Progress on the Conservation Overlay District Update

The Commissioners reported on the progress they each have made on their assigned areas, and agreed that a target date for each Commissioner to finish their assigned area should by July 27, 2015.

10. Adjournment.

The next meeting will be August 17, 2015, at the Hattie Weber Museum (445 C Street) at 7:00 PM.

Action: Commissioner Miltenberger moved, seconded by Commissioner Hickman, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.