



**Historical Resources Management Commission
Hattie Weber Museum – 445 C Street, Davis, California
Corner of 5th and C Streets in Central Park
Monday, February 25, 2013**

Commissioners Present: Rand Herbert (Chair), Mark Beason (Vice Chair), Richard Rifkin, Linda Zabloutny-Hurst, Karen Clementi, Scott Miltenberger, William Allen Lowry (Alternate), Gale Sosnick

Commissioners Absent: None

Council Liaisons Present: None

Staff Present: Ike Njoku and Catherine McCort

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

2. Approval of Agenda

Action: Commissioner Miltenberger, seconded by Commissioner Zabloutny-Hurst, to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairperson Herbert noted for the record that new Commissioners Lowey and Sosnick had already been sworn in.

3. Approval of Minutes.

Action: Vice Chairperson Beason moved, seconded by Commissioner Miltenberger, to approve the minutes of January 28, 2013 with a minor edit. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Herbert, Beason, Rifkin, Zabloutny-Hurst

NOES: None

ABSTENTIONS: Clementi, Miltenberger, Lowry

4. Public Communications. None

5. Written Communications. Staff Liaison Njoku circulated written communications among the Commissioners.

6. Museum Report. Museum Director Dennis Dingemans presented the museum report. He reported that the museum is expecting high attendance at the annual Pig Day on Saturday March 2, 2013; that the museum assisted a consultant researching the history of the Pi Beta Phi fraternity house; and that the City Council has not yet taken any action on the WPA restrooms building.

7. Staff, Council Liaison, and Commissioner, Comments. Chairperson Herbert introduced new commissioners Lowry and Sosnick, and asked them to introduce themselves; noting that Commissioner Sosnick had been with the Commission previously.

Commission Rifkin updated the Commission about the Terminal Hotel sign project he is working on with John Lofland. He circulated a draft of the design and took comments from commissioners.

8. Public Hearing.

A. Planning Application #13-05; Certificate of Appropriateness #2-13 and Design Review #1-13 – Renovation of Two Education Buildings on the Landmark Property Located at 412 C Street, Davis Community Church

Staff Liaison Njoku presented the staff report.

Chairperson Herbert reported that City staff showed him a draft of the proposal for comments, and that he met on-site with the project applicant. Other Commissioners reported that they had separately taken on-site tours of the subject site as well.

Mary Stephens-DeWall spoke on behalf of the Church, and described the proposed project, the goals of the proposed improvements, and the history of the renovations of the church.

Wendy Haws provided addition background for the proposal relative to the church's children's ministry and described the church's fact finding process in assessing needs. She further described the various uses of the buildings under consideration, and explained the planned uses of the improved buildings.

The Church's chair of buildings and grounds, Carl Ranking, described the need for improved security, and how the proposed project will address security issues.

Community member Don Morrill said that he and all the partners of the Parkview Place project support the proposed changes to the buildings.

Community member Eric Doud asked that the Commission consider and discuss the use of vinyl windows in the proposed project.

The Commission asked questions of City staff and of the project proponent, discussed the historical evaluation, the project, and provided comments.

Action: **Commissioner Zablotty-Hurst moved, seconded by Commissioner Miltenberger, to determine that the Historical Resources Analysis (HRA) update report prepared for the Landmark property at 412 C Street adequately accessed the historical significance of the subsidiary buildings on the property; to accept the report's conclusion that these buildings have not gained historical significance on their own; and that the proposed changes would not adversely affect the Landmark property and building.**

The motion passed unanimously.

Action: Commissioner Clementi moved, seconded by Commissioner Miltenberger, the approve Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) #2-13 that allows the exterior improvements to be made to the two education buildings on the Landmark property, subject to the findings and conditions attached to this report.

The motion passed unanimously.

Action: Commissioner Zablotty-Hurst moved, seconded by Commissioner Miltenberger, to affirm the staff approval of the Design Review #1-13 that permits the proposed interior and exterior changes to the one-story concrete block education buildings located at the corner of Fourth and D Street (i.e. the East Building), and between the East Building and the Sanctuary (i.e. the North Building), subject to the findings and conditions attached to this report. The Commission accepts that City staff and the applicant will have flexibility in terms of window design, roof material, and color, within a reasonable range, so long as the project retains the mass, scale, and footprint as presented in the staff report and it follows substantially the presentation of proposed changes in the staff report.

The motion passed unanimously.

9. Business Items.

A. 2012-14 Goals/Work Plan Relative to Demolition Ordinance. Subcommittee recommendation to be discussed by the Commission

Commissioner Beason presented the subcommittee's recommendation. He described the proposed changes to the demolition ordinance and why those changes are needed.

Staff Liaison Njoku also provided additional input on the proposed changes.

The Commission discussed the proposed changes and decided that the subcommittee of Vice chairperson Beason and Commissioner Miltenberger should create a draft ordinance with the changes discussed and bring it before the Commission at a future meeting.

The Commission also discussed the purview of the Commission, and the laws that pertain to the Commission and to the City of Davis as a Certified Local Government.

10. Adjournment. The next meeting will be Monday, March 18, 2013 at the Hattie Weber Museum (445 C Street) at 7:00 pm.

Action: Commissioner Sosnick moved, seconded by Commissioner Miltenberger, to adjourn the meeting.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjured at 9:00 p.m.