



**Historical Resources Management Commission  
Hattie Weber Museum – 445 C Street, Davis, California  
Corner of 5<sup>th</sup> and C Streets in Central Park  
Monday, October 21, 2013**

Commissioners Present: Mark Beason (Vice Chair), Karen Clementi, Scott Miltenberger, Richard Rifkin, William Allen Lowry, Linda Zablony-Hurst

Commissioners Absent: Gale Sosnick, Rand Herbert

Council Liaisons Present: None

Staff Present: Ike Njoku, Robert Cain, and Catherine McCort

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**1. Call to Order.** Vice-Chairperson Beason called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**2. Approval of Agenda.**

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

**3. Approval of Minutes.**

Vice Chairperson Beason clarified that the Demolition Ordinance should come before the City Council in December.

**Action: Commissioner Miltenberger moved, seconded by Commissioner Clementi, to approve the minutes of August 19, 2013. The motion passed unanimously (by Commissioners present at the August 19, 2013 meeting).**

**4. Public Communications.**

City Arborist Robert Cain addressed the Commission about the dying walnut tree issue along The Avenue of Trees. He described the One Thousand Cankers Disease that is affecting the trees and explained that the City is working with Tree Davis to create and implement a conservation/preservation plan. He also shared with Commission what those plans are expected to be. He answered questions from the Commission. Commissioner Rifkin provided a brief history of the Avenue of Trees.

**5. Written Communications**

Staff Liaison Njoku circulated the written communication.

**6. Museum Report**

Dennis Dingemans presented the museum report. He reported that 1) there are an increasing number of docents in the museum, 2) that the Museum has been offered a large donation from the Schmeiser family, 3) that the Museum is establishing an oversight committee as required by the Agreement contact between the City and Yolo County Historical Society, and 4) that the Museum has been increasing its advertising.

**7. Staff, Council Liaison, and Commissioner Comments.**

Staff Liaison Njoku announced that the Commission has a new Council Liaison, Rochelle Swanson.

Commissioner Rifkin announced that the Terminal Hotel plaque is installed and that he hopes the Commission will use it as a model for future demolition projects' mitigation measures.

Commissioner Rifkin also told the Commission that all the City Council members that he met with were supportive of the bike path naming plan. He added that he had talked with Maynard Skinner, who felt that the potential naming overemphasized him rather than the council as a whole. Commission Rifkin stated that he added Norm Woodbury to the list of potential street names.

Commissioner Rifkin noted that the first HRMC meeting was in March of 1963, making this year the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Commission.

Commissioner Lowery asked to be updated as to the Davis Archway Project Concept, as he was not at the last meeting. The Commission filled him in on what he missed.

Staff Liaison Njoku added that Helen Thompson is trying to create a neighborhood association for College Park that its goals include re-establishing College Park as a historic district. The Commission briefly discussed this idea, and Vice Chairperson Beason asked Staff Liaison Njoku to put an item on the agenda of a later meeting to discuss this idea.

## 8. **Business Items.**

### A. **Commission Goals/Work Plan Relative to City Council direction**

Staff Liaison Njoku described what the City Manager/City Council want to receive from the Commission. The Commission discussed the City Council's goals and how they relate to the Commission's goals and the status of the 2012-13 goals.

The Commission determined that the previous goal of updating the demolition ordinance has been completed, although not presented to the City Council for adoption; the Commission stated a need to track its progress and advocate for its presentation to Council for adoption.

The Commission also determined that the historical resources survey still needs to be updated and that this should be the Commission's next primary goal. The Commission reflected that several of the goals from last year are still ongoing and can be updated for this year. The Commission discussed the addition of new goals, including applying for CLG grants and establishing partnerships with local agencies and other commissions .

The Commission created a subcommittee of Chairperson Herbert, Commissioners Rifkin and Zablony-Hurst to examine the City Council's goals and draft the Commission's work plan. Staff Liaison Njoku will circulate the draft among the Commissioners and the Commission will discuss the goals in the next meeting.

## 9. **Adjournment.** The next meeting will be **November 18, 2013** at the Hattie Weber Museum(445 C Street) at 7:00 pm)

**Action: Commissioner Miltenberger moved, seconded by Commissioner Zablony-Hurst, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.