

City of Davis Historical Resources Management Commission

Meeting Minutes Monday, May 16, 2022

Commissioners Present: Lindsay Busse, David Hickman, Jordan Jacobs, Scott Miltenberger (Vice-chairperson), Erin Autry Montgomery (Chairperson), Ning Wan, Marcus Marino Commissioner(s) Absent: Arianna Laleh Council Liaison(s) Present:Josh Chapman Staff Present: Ike Njoku, Planner & Historical Resources Manager

1. Call to Order & Roll Call.

Chairperson Montgomery called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m., and took roll call. Commissioner Wan had zoom issues and joined during deliberations on Item 6, while Commission Laleh had an excused absent due to family emergency.

2. Approval of Agenda.

Action: Hickman moved, seconded by Miltenberger to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Comment.

None.

4. Consent Calendar A. April 18 Meeting Minutes approval.

Action: Jacobs moved, seconded by Miltenberger to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Museum Report.

Co-Director Merrily DuPree introduced herself and Co-Director John Cain (not present at the meeting) and provided the Hattie Weber Museum report. She started with the closing of the museum due to Covid-19 from January. 14 to July 13, 2020, and again from January 7 to March 12, 2022. In February of 1921, Director Dennis Dingemans retired, and she and Mr. Cain became co-directors. She described recent exhibits on such topics as Davisville's 19th-century wheat boom, Davisites' pronunciation of local place names, and the three Japanese-American students at Davis High School in 1941, who were sent with their families to internment camps after the bombing of Pearl Harbor. A discussion of the internment exhibit is currently being shown on DCTV. She informed the Commission about the completion of the remodeling of the WPA restroom building to a storage facility for the museum, thanking the various individuals and entities that made it possible, including City Council and HRMC. The museum staff is currently working on a new "County Fair

Museum," at the fairgrounds that will contain exhibits provided by historical groups from throughout the county.

6. Public Meeting Items.

A. 1410 Clara Lane Historical Resources Designation.

Chairperson Montgomery introduced the item. Commissioner Hickman presented the report, and Staff Liaison Njoku added to the presentation. Chairperson Montgomery open the public hearing and closed it when there was no one speaking on the item. Commissioners were invited to speak on the project, and Commissioner Hickman provided additional clarifications of the designation process.

Commissioner Marino moved staff recommendations, and seconded by Vicechairperson Miltenberger as follows:

- 1. Determine that the proposed designation of 1410 Clara Lane as an historical resource in the Davis Register of Historical Resources is Categorically Exempt per Section 15331 of the CEQA Guidelines as a preservation effort in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Treatment of Historic Properties; and
- 2. Introduce the attached Ordinance that designates 1410 Clara Lane as a Merit Resource in the Davis Register of Historical Resources.

The motion passed as follows:

Ayes:Busse, Hickman, Jacobs, Miltenberger, Montgomery, Wan, MarinoNoes:NoneAbsent:Laleh

B. 238 G Street Historical Designation

Chairperson Montgomery introduced the item. Commissioner Hickman presented the report, and Staff Liaison Njoku added to the presentation. Chairperson Montgomery open the public hearing and closed it when there was no one speaking on the item. Commissioners were invited to speak on the project, and Commissioner Hickman provided additional clarifications of the designation process.

Commissioner Marino moved staff recommendations, and seconded by Commissioner Busse as follows:

1. Determine that the proposed designation of 238 G Street as an historical resource in the Davis Register of Historical Resources is Categorically Exempt per Section 15331 of the CEQA Guidelines as a preservation effort in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Treatment of Historic Properties; and

2. Introduce the attached Ordinance that designates 238 G Street as a Merit Resource in the Davis Register of Historical Resources.

The motion passed as follows:

Ayes:Busse, Hickman, Jacobs, Miltenberger, Montgomery, Wan, MarinoNoes:NoneAbsent:Laleh

7. Business Items.

A. **HRMC Workplan Update.** Chairperson Montgomery introduced the item, and suggested that Commissioners avoid Brown Action by sending edits, suggestions and comments directly to Staff Liaison Njoku for consolidation and future meeting discussion. She added that given no joint Commission and Council meeting this year, there is no urgency but it would be useful to have the Commission goals in place. Njoku suggested that the Commission could consider appointing an adhoc committee to draft and consolidate the workplan. Chairperson Montgomery wonders if there are potential conflicts of some Commissioners, including herself could impede forming an adhoc subcommittee. Vice-chairperson Miltenberger volunteered and so did Commissioners Busse and Marino to be the ad-hoc subcommittee.

Njoku informed the Commission that historical consultant Mike Garavaglia had expressed concern regarding delay in receiving feedback on his draft College Park Design Guidelines. The Commission and Council Liaison Chapman deliberated on the concern about the delay in providing the consultant with comments on the College Park Design Guidelines by staff due to lack of staffing. It was agreed by consensus that the City Council and city staff management should be consulted to seek solutions.

Chairperson Montgomery explained that there is a need to update the ad-hoc subcommittee table and for Commissioners to consider volunteering for any subcommittee. She outlines what we currently have as shown on the table below.

Ad-hoc Subcommittees	
HRMC Development	Hickman & Miltenberger
University Estates	Miltenberger & Wan
Village Homes	Hickman, Wan & Marino
College Park Management Plan	Miltenberger & Montgomery
WPA Markings & Building	Miltenberger & Laleh
Downtown Plan Update	Hickman, Jacobs; & Miltenberger
Hattie Weber Museum	Busse & Jacobs
Commission Workplan	Busse, Marino & Miltenberger

Vie-chairperson Miltenberger stated that with his term expiring this year, it might be helpful if other Commissioners set up.

8. Brief Announcements from Staff, Commissioners and Liaisons.

There were no announcements.

9. Adjourn.

The next meeting will be on Monday, May 16, 2022. The location is yet to be determined, but start times remains 7:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by Miltenberger and seconded by Hickman. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.