



## Historic Preservation Commission Agenda

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

Wednesday May 6, 2020

Virtual Only Meeting

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1. **Roll Call**

2. **Adoption of the Agenda**

3. **Approval of the Minutes**

- a. March 4, 2020

4. **Visitors to be Heard**

5. **Old Business**

- a. CLG Grant Update
- b. Disclaimer Language
- c. Permit Reviews
- d. Update on Clay County Courthouse and/or Thompson House
- e. Educational outreach to historic property owners.

6. **New Business**

- a. Welcome our new Commissioner.
- b. Preserve Iowa Summit 2020

7. **Adjourn**

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**Addressing the Commission:** Persons addressing the Commission shall be recognized. Please raise your hand to be recognized and state your name and address.

**a. Items Not on the Agenda** Members of the public may speak under Visitors to Be Heard on any topic NOT on the agenda. Remarks are limited to 5 minutes and no decision will be made at this time.

**b. Agenda Items:** Public testimony will be taken at the beginning of each agenda item, after the subject has been announced by the Mayor and explained by staff. Any citizen who wishes may speak one time for 5 minutes on each agenda item. Public testimony will then be closed and the topic will be given to the governing body for possible action. At this point, only commission members and staff may discuss the current agenda item unless a commission member moves to allow another person to speak and there is unanimous consent from the commission. Questions from commission members, however, may be directed to the public through the presiding officer at any time.

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Unapproved Minutes  
Historical Preservation Commission  
Wednesday March 4, 2020 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Vermillion Historical Preservation Commission was called to order in the Large Conference Room at City Hall on February 5, 2020 at 9:09 a.m.

1. Roll Call

Present: Susan Keith Gray, Gloria Hensley, William Dendinger Jim Wilson (via phone)

Absent: Dietrik Vanderhill, Ed Gerrish, Cindy Chaney

Staff present: Jose Dominguez (City Engineer), James Purdy (Assistant City Manager), and John Prescott (City Manager)

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Hensley motioned to adopt the agenda with the addition of item 6b. S. University Historic District Funding, second by Dendinger. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of the Minutes

Dendinger moved to adopt the January 8, 2020 minutes with corrections, seconded by Hensley. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Visitors to be Heard

None

5. Old Business

5a. Update on Prentis Park Arches.

City staff has spoken with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), and believes the project will require an 11.1 review. The mason working on the project is proposing to take the columns apart and evaluate ways to restore the original appearance of the columns and arches. The columns themselves are not listed as a contributing factor to Prentis Park's listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The City will be submitting a proposal to the Commission at the next meeting.

5b. Educational outreach to historic property owners.

There was a motion by Hensley to table this item until the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Dendinger. The motion carried unanimously.

6. New Business

6a. VHPC and Public Positions

City staff relayed the position of the City Council on this matter. The position of the Council is that the Vermillion Historic Preservation Commission, as well as other citizen boards, are allowed to take public positions relevant to their purpose as long as some "disclaimer type language" is included with those statements. The "disclaimer type language" will indicate that the position of a Commission is not the official position of the City of Vermillion or the Vermillion City Council.

#### 6b. S. University Historic District Funding

The Commission discussed different approaches to the 2020 SHPO grant application, as well as the use of the grant funds to complete the survey required to create the new S. University Historic District. It was determined that the Commission will request \$2K in grant funds for incidental and operating expenses, \$5K in supplemental grant funds to complete the survey of the new historic district in phases. Dendinger motioned to allow City staff to complete the grant application for the discussed amounts, seconded by Hensley. The motion carried unanimously.

#### 7. Adjourn

Moved by Dendinger to adjourn, seconded by Hensley. Motion carried unanimously. Keith Gray declared the meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.