

Draper Historic Preservation Commission Meeting  
August 20, 2025  
Approved Minutes

Attendance: Annie Bommer, Christa Hutchison, Jason Wiggins, Nancy Nichols, David Hales, Corina Pace, Angie Quinlan, Wendy Atzet, Melissa Day, Elizabeth Allen

Council Liaison:

Staff Liaison: Jennifer Jastremsky

Absent: Jordan Putnam, Marsha Vawdrey

Guests: Deena Williams, Kirk Huffaker, Lynne Orgill

Start Time: 6:06pm

1. Welcome and Roll Call

The Historic Preservation Commission meeting began with introductions of the new chair and vice-chair members Annie Bommer and Christa Hutchinson. A new Commission member, Elizabeth Allen, was also introduced.

2. Approval of previous meeting minutes.

2.a Approval of June 18, 2025 Minutes

Annie asked if everyone had read the minutes and if there were any changes. Seeing none, Angie Quinlan made a motion to approve the minutes as is. Melissa Day seconded the motion. The minutes were approved on a 7-0 vote.

	Yes	No	Absent
Annie Bommer	X		
Christa Hutchison	X		
Jason Wiggins	X		
Jordan Putnam			X
Nancy Nichols	X		
David Hales			X
Corina Pace	X		
Angie Quinlan	X		
Wendy Atzet	X		
Melissa Day	X		
Elizabeth Allan	X		

3. Agenda Items

David Hales joined the meeting

3.a Reconnaissance Level Survey

#### - Tier 1 Reconnaissance Level Survey Final Document Review

Kirk Huffaker, with Kirk Huffaker Preservation Strategies, presented the final results of the Reconnaissance Level Survey, which included completed maps, survey data, and field worksheets. The survey focused on areas around the TRAX stations and was 100% complete, with all previously labeled "other" or "unknown" items now identified and incorporated into the final report. Data did not change for the draft report. Jennifer had emailed the final report previously to Commission members.

Kirk focused on reviewing survey data for two areas: Kimball's Lane and the Town Center. The discussion covered construction materials, architectural styles, and historical periods for each area. Key findings included that brick remains the primary construction material in Kimball's Lane, with 85% of structures being one-story and primarily from the World War II era. In the Town Center, there was more diversity in architectural styles and construction dates, with a strong presence of early 20th-century bungalows and a higher proportion of eligible buildings for potential National Register District consideration. The team also discussed recommendations for further research, including possible intensive level surveys and thematically centered tours. Kirk said 11900 south, where the Savage family mostly lived, had the most that could be designated historic.

The meeting focused on discussing potential historic preservation efforts in Draper, particularly post-World War II architecture. Commission members suggested conducting intensive-level surveys and highlighted the importance of educating the public about newer historic buildings, noting that younger generations show interest in this period. They also discussed the need to balance redevelopment with preserving historic structures, especially in areas like the Town Center. The Commission agreed to review existing surveys, consider funding for new ones, and explore opportunities to list significant properties on the National Register. They also suggested a Kimball's area new walking tour, a historic district for the Town Center area and adding additional World War II resources on the city's tours and website. Jennifer said she would resend Kirk's report. Wendy Atzet wanted to know if there were any good materials for World War II tours and Kirk said Denver had some great ones. David Hales was wondering how an earthquake would affect all of the brick structures in the city.

#### - Tier 2 Reconnaissance Level Survey Bid

The Commission discussed and approved a bid for a Tier 2 Reconnaissance Level Survey covering the remainder of the city from the north boundary to Highland Drive, excluding station area plan areas. They thought it would make sense to continue with the same consultant. The survey, which will cost just under \$10,000 with an additional \$5,000 from the City, will begin in the fall with field work starting in the spring and final reviews scheduled for July through September. Jennifer confirmed that while the work will be completed in the current fiscal year, billing will occur in the next budget cycle. Annie expressed enthusiasm about the project's educational and documentation value.

Angie made a motion to accept the bid from Kirk Huffaker Preservation Strategies for the Tier 2 Reconnaissance Level Survey. Davide Hales seconded the motion. The motion passed on a vote of 8-0

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Annie Bommer	X		
Christa Hutchison	X		
Jason Wiggins	X		
Jordan Putnam			X
Nancy Nichols	X		
David Hales	X		
Corina Pace	X		
Angie Quinlan	X		
Wendy Atzet	X		
Melissa Day	X		
Elizabeth Allan	X		

### 3.b Draper Days Walking Tour Recap

The Draper Days walking tour was a success with increased attendance compared to previous years, drawing large crowds and positive feedback. Most people hadn't been from the past tours. The Commission discussed improvements for future tours, including better advertising such as putting a sign on 300 E., extending the event duration and holding it from 6-8 pm instead, advising the home owners far ahead of time whose houses we would stand in front of, making it clear they are outside the homes, maybe have a house or two that we can go inside and potentially adding more homes like the Sorenson House and Fitzgerald Cabin. They discussed possibly having the tours be in the area by the Stewart Home or Kimballs Lane area. They also considered reaching out to Preservation Utah and the Draper Historical Society, who has had inside home tours in the past, for guidance on opening private residences to the public.

### 3.c 2025/2026 Budget

The Commission discussed the Fiscal Year 25-26 budget, with a focus on National Register nominations and related expenses. The group reviewed a proposed budget with the last invoice for the Tier 1 Reconnaissance Level Survey of \$1,500, and \$10,000 for the Tier 2 Reconnaissance Level Survey work. The Commission also discussed the cost to put the Isaac Stewart Home on the National Register, getting the plaque for Enniss Auto, creating a video tour, and potentially adding a World War II section and walking tour pamphlets. All that is listed takes them over the budget. They discussed the Reconnaissance Level Survey timeline as some of the work for the Tier 2 survey will be billed in the following budget cycle and will not come out of this fiscal year's budget. That should bring the Commission within budget for the year.

David Hales said he needs more display containers for the walking tour pamphlets. The Commission agreed to order either more display containers for \$30 each. Angie made a motion to approve purchasing eight more display containers. Corina Pace seconded the motion. The motion passed on an 8-0 vote.

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Jason Wiggins	X		
Jordan Putnam			X
Nancy Nichols	X		
David Hales	X		
Corina Pace	X		
Angie Quinlan	X		
Wendy Atzet	X		
Melissa Day	X		
Elizabeth Allan	X		

### 3.d National Register Nomination

#### - Chapel by the Wayside Nomination

The group learned that the Chapel by the Wayside at the former Utah State Prison site is being considered for National Register listing by the Utah State Historic Preservation Office, with a decision expected on September 18, 2025.

#### - 1696 E Pioneer Rd

Deena Williams, who lives at 1696 East Pioneer Road, presented her 1929 historic home to the Commission. She expressed concern about preserving its original features as a historical jewel and discussed potential historic designation, which would provide access to grants and tax credits for restoration work. The Commission members explained that while National Register status doesn't prevent modifications, it could help with funding and attract buyers interested in preserving historic properties. They asked her if she would be open to letting them do a video tour of the house, which Deena welcomed.

#### - Enniss Auto Plaque Language

Annie reported that the Enniss Auto plaque language was finalized and ready for approval by the group, with plans to proceed with purchasing the plaque. Jennifer will get with Utah State Historic Preservation Office on the plaque. Corina made a motion to approve the language and purchase the plaque. Christa seconded the motion and the motion passed on an 8-0 vote.,

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Jason Wiggins	X		
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Nancy Nichols	X		
David Hales	X		
Corina Pace	X		
Angie Quinlan	X		
Wendy Atzet	X		
Melissa Day	X		
Elizabeth Allan	X		

- Joseph F. Heward House- 12801 S Boulter St.  
The Commission did not discuss the Joseph F. Heward House.

### 3.e Widow Maker Plaque and Crowd Source History

Jason mentioned the need to discuss mounting the plaque and potentially organizing an event with original racers, pending city limitations and support from Linda Peterson, Draper City Communications Director. He has some things to share and will send an email and put on the next agenda.

### 3.f Walking Tour Brochures

David shared updates on the distribution of walking tour brochures. He has not placed in any new places but just been refurbishing the ones they were in before. Every place has been receptive, the best being at the Draper Public Library. He plans to place them in local schools.

### 3.g Walk-through Video Tour of Historic Homes

The Commission did not discuss this item and asked for it to be moved the following month.

### 3.h Draper Ethnic and Minority History Research

David stated he had nothing to report on this item.

### 3.i Galena Soo'nkahni Preserve Website Page

Wendy discussed plans for a website page about the historical Galena Soo'nkahni Preserve site. She emailed out a draft to Commission members and wants to get a review from Utah State Historic Preservation Office and other entities. She proposed to get new photography and work with the Draper Communications team to create content focusing on the site's Native American history. Jennifer said she will work with the photographer to go out and get pictures. David wants that refers to it so that people know it's there.

### 3.j Peoples of Weber County Festival

Nancy gave an overview of the festival that she had attended last month.

### 3.k America250

Wendy said Utah State has kicked off the 250-year celebration on July 4th with an event at the Utah State Capitol with Marie Osmond. The Commission discussed opportunities to participate in America 250 celebrations such as America's potluck, Walk250 with Wendy suggesting ways to incorporate local history and community engagement and get ideas from them. She requested that everyone think about it and keep it on the agenda for next month.

### 4. Review Action Items for Next Meeting

- a. Jennifer to send out RLS report again
- b. Jennifer to work on Tier 2 RLS request
- c. Angie to get walking tour signs
- d. Jennifer to look into Widowmaker plaque ceremony
- e. Wendy- get outside entity review of Galena Soo'nkahni website language
- f. Jennifer to get photography of preserve,
- g. Jennifer America 250 on agenda next month
- h. Nancy and Jason meet to discuss video tours,
- i. Enniss Auto plaque ordering

### 5. Adjournment

Motion: Angie

End Time: 7:27pm