



MINUTES
HISTORICAL PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
May 22, 2025

Place: Ponderosa Conference Room, 2nd Floor Orem City Hall

At 6:09 p.m.: Olivia Johnson, Chair called the meeting to order.

Attendees: Britni Laidler, Crystal Muhlestein, Devin Peirce, Olivia Johnson Historic Preservation Advisory Commission members; Grant Allen, Senior Planner;

Those excused: Historic Preservation Advisory Commission member Lon Bowen, City Council Member, Chris Killpack

1. Quick updates:

- a. The commission reviewed ideas about the Annual Report to the City Council. Additionally, updated the Commission on the Cabin Project and status of the cabin restoration.
- b. Potential June tours include Nielsen's Grove and the Lindon cabin (Britni can secure access). A historic preservation consultant will conduct a late June site visit. Grant Allen proposed a June 19th virtual meeting with the consultant, followed by a tour of the Lindon cabin. The consultant also seeks to attend a June meeting to discuss survey operations.
- c. Grant Allen proposed a work meeting to catalog the existing historic preservation files, compare them to the SHPO pin map, and identify items needing scanning. This could be incorporated into a future meeting as a work session.
- d. The commission discussed examples of digital signage and lockable traditional display options for showcasing artifacts and digital content, potentially in collaboration with the museum. They hope to involve different city departments to potentially share costs and displays. A successful initial display could lead to applying for another grant, possibly jointly with another department like the museum. Members also discussed finding historic artwork during the move and wanting to create a program for displaying it throughout the building, possibly like a public museum.
- e. Minutes: Olivia Johnson motioned to approve January 16th, 2025 minutes with the noted changes, of correcting Lindon, Britni Laidler seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Olivia Johnson motioned to approve March 27, 2025 minutes. Crystal Muhlestein seconded. Motion passed unanimously..

2. Historic Survey Update

- a. The commission discussed gathering existing city data and surveys for the historic preservation consultant, noting the current challenge of accessing boxed-up materials. They mentioned the consultant's suggestion for community participation in the survey process and proposed using social media to educate residents about the upcoming historic survey and invite them to share historic photos and stories. It was emphasized keeping the language accessible to a broad audience. They also

1 raised the possibility of commission members assisting with the site groundwork of
2 the survey.

- 3 3. Grant Allen and the commission discussed potential locations for the digital and traditional
4 displays in the building, including in front of the chambers, a corner near the 311 entrance,
5 and under the stairs.

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7 **Motion to Adjourn:** Olivia Johnson moved to adjourn and Crystal Muhlestein seconded the motion. The
8 motion passed unanimously.

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10 **Adjourned:** 6:42 p.m.

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12 Approved: 12/18/2025
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