

City of Greeley, Colorado
HISTORIC PRESRVATION COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS
November 15, 2021

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Chair Brunswig called the remote meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. via the City's Zoom platform.

The hearing clerk called the roll.

PRESENT

Chair Bob Brunswig
Commissioner Doran Azari
Commissioner Sean Jaehn
Commissioner Jacob Melish
Commissioner Dan Podell

ABSENT

Commissioner Christen DePetro
Commissioner Laura Sattler

Chair Brunswig welcomed Sean Jaehn to the Commission. Commissioner DePetro joined the meeting at 4:02 p.m.

3. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Kellums indicated that there were no additions or corrections to the agenda and the agenda was approved as presented.

4. Approval of August 16, 2021 Minutes

Commissioner Azari moved to approve the minutes dated August 16, 2021. Commissioner Melish seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

5. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Commissioner Azari nominated Bob Brunswig to continue as Chair of the Commission. Commissioner DePetro seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. (Chair Brunswig abstained.)

Commissioner Azari nominated Christen DePetro to continue as Vice-Chair of the Commission. Commissioner Melish seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

6. Report from Historic Greeley, Inc.

Rebecca Brunswig, 1700 Montview Boulevard, addressed the Commission on behalf of Historic Greeley Inc. She advised that a new sign had been installed at the Southard-Gillespie House. Ms. Brunswig advised that a Christmas tea would be held at the Southard-Gillespie House on December 4th. She noted that the event was sold out and that they are considering making it an annual event.

7. Adoption of Historic Resources Survey Plan

Ms. Kellums provided a brief background of the Historic Resources Survey Plan ("Plan") and its purpose. She advised that the Plan is for the area east of 35th Avenue and that a copy of the Plan is posted on the City website. She noted a memo in the packet with a recommended motion to adopt the Plan and establish it as an official guiding document.

Commissioner Azari extended his appreciation to those involved with development of the Plan. Commissioner Azari moved to adopt and implement the Greeley Historic Resources Survey Plan, completed by Logan Simpson and approved by History Colorado State Historical Fund, August 2021. Commissioner Podell seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

8. Commission Member Reports

Commissioner Azari reported attending six classes, one of which was a class on Basic Preservation Engineering for the Non-Engineer held in Aurora at the History Museum and the nearby Delaney Homestead Historic District. He also attended several online classes, two discussing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and three other online courses. Commissioner Azari summarized the key takeaways from each of the courses.

Chair Brunswig reminded commissioners of the Saving Places conference to be held February 7-9, 2022. He advised that there will be in-person sessions on February 7 and 8 with a majority of sessions on February 9 being held on Zoom. He encouraged all commissioners to consider attending and noted the valuable information presented by Colorado Preservation Inc. Ms. Kellums reported that scholarships are available and asked commissioners to let her know if they plan to attend. She advised that scholarship recipients would be required to provide a written report of the session(s) attended.

Chair Brunswig reported that the Historic Preservation Archeological Agency in Colorado recently created a new position and hired an Associate Curator of African American History and Cultural Heritage who will oversee the program. One of the first tasks of the new curator is to write a planning grant for the National Trust for Historic Preservation in order to prepare a proposal for the Black Heritage Trail Program for Colorado. Chair Brunswig noted that the new curator is also chairing a panel at the Saving Places conference to facilitate a discussion of the long-term plan for a Historic Byways Program. He described the ongoing restoration of the two standing buildings at Dearfield and stated that two legislators recently put in legislation to the National Park Service to perform a feasibility study for creating a national historic site at Dearfield.

9. Staff Report

Ms. Kellums reported that a designation hearing will be held at the next meeting on December 6 and advised that at least five members must be present. She provided more information about topics to be presented at the Saving Places conference. Ms. Kellums added that part of the conference will include a session called Saving Places on the Road with educational opportunities and tours in San Luis, Colorado, on August 5 and 6.

10. Adjournment

With no further business before the Commission, Chair Brunswig adjourned the meeting at 4:36 p.m.

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Bob Brunswig, Chair

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Elizabeth Kellums, Secretary