

COTTAGE GROVE
HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION

August 5, 2019 – Meeting Minutes

7:00pm, Council Chambers – City Hall

CALL TO ORDER

Cathy Bellevita (Chair) called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall

ROLL CALL

Recording Secretary – Shauna Neigh called the roll.

The following were:

Present: Vice Chair Lloyd Williams, Danny Solesbee, Cari King and Tara Sue Hughart

Absent: None

Staff Present: City Planner Amanda Ferguson and Recording Secretary Shauna Neigh

News Media: None

[CB] Cathy Bellevita wanted to be sure she could objectively vote on the Preservation Plan update due to her involvement with the Friends of Mt. David and being she is named in the updated Preservation Plan.

[AF] The application before you is a legislative application. It is not quasi-judicial, the ex-parte standards do not apply. What you are doing tonight is making a recommendation to the City Council whether or not to adopt it. When they move forward with it, it will then become legislative. Legally we are ok.

[CB] Do you as the Historic Landmarks Commission have any opinions on whether or not I should recuse myself from voting?

[LW] We are all involved in various parts of the creation, no problems.

ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

CITY OF COTTAGE GROVE – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT (CPA 2-19) TO ADOPT HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN UPDATE.

Applicant is seeking to amend the Cottage Grove Comprehensive Plan Land Use Diagram to adopt the Historic Preservation Plan Update as a refinement plan.

Relevant Criteria: 14.41.500.H Decision Making Criteria. Applicant: City of Cottage Grove, 400 Main Street, Cottage Grove OR 97424

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING at 7:05 P.M.

[AF] This is a legislative application I am bringing forward for your recommendation to Council on whether or not you would approve this Preservation Plan Update. We've spent about the last 6 months with a committee of all our preservation partners creating this update. This is the 5 year update of the 2014 Preservation Plan that was adopted by Council. If you remember the 2014 plan this one looks remarkably similar. We as a committee spent our time on the recommendations and goals that are in the document to bring them up to date and address our next 5 years of goals. I think we should all be happy with the success of the original document. Its unusual in planning to have so many of these things actually get done in 5 years. Its nice to need to make this update due to the success in meeting or are actively working on a majority of the original goals. The success of our historical partnerships has been great. Staff asks this update be recommended to Council.

IN FAVOR

None

IN OPPOSITION

None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

[LW] Comments on how smooth the process was and the plan was easy to read and in the proper order. It was a joy to read.

Commission agreed.

[CB] I think this plan represents a maturity of this process in Cottage Grove. The first time we had to fill in the blanks and huge thanks to Partners in History for bring us all to the table. In the very impressive list of accomplishments I did not see a mention of the Calapooya/McFarland Cemetery interpretative sign and I don't know if that should have been included.

The Museum has their sign too. Amanda will add those to the Council draft.

We will need to correct the spelling of Opal Whitley

The Veley House spelling was checked and will be correct in documentation.

Danny asked how often this should be revised. Amanda added every 5 years, it is a shorter range plan.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SOLESBEE TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT (CPA 2-19) TO ADOPT HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN UPDATE TO THE COTTAGE GROVE CITY COUNCIL.

VOTE ON THE MOTION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

| VOTE | Commissioner BELLAVITA | Commissioner WILLIAMS | Commissioner HUGHART | Commissioner SOLESBEE | Commissioner KING |
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| AYES | X | X | X | X | X |
| NAYES | | | | | |
| ABSTAIN | | | | | |

ADJOURNMENT – 7:31 pm