

1 **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (HPC) MINUTES**

2 Wednesday, February 7th, 2024, 6:00 pm

3 Providence City Office Building, 164 North Gateway Dr., Providence Ut

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5 **Call to Order:** Howard Christenson

6 **Chair Roll Call of Commission Members:** Pat Perry, Gail Trowbridge, Howard Christenson & Wes Bitters.

7 **Pledge of Allegiance:** Howard Christenson

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9 **Approval of Minutes:** The Historic Preservation Commission will consider approval of the minutes for
10 December 6th, 2023. **(MINUTES)**

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12 • Howard Christenson called for the approval of the minutes of the last meeting.

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14 **Motion to approve the minutes of December 6th, 2023 – Wes Bitters. 2nd – Pat Perry.**

15 **Vote:**

16 **Yea- Pat Perry, Gail Trowbridge, Howard Christenson & Wes Bitters.**

17 **Nay-**

18 **Abstained-**

19 **Absent- Gordon Allred.**

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21 **Motion passes, minutes approved.**

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23 **Item No. 1: 2024 Budget:** The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) will discuss their budget and possible
24 future projects for the coming year.

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26 • Howard Christenson called item 1 and asked if Skarlet Bankhead could explain the budget sheet.
- 27 • Mrs. Bankhead reviewed with the HPC the budget sheet that broke down their budget which showed
- 28 what they have used their budget on in the last few years. Commented on the increase on the budget
- 29 over the years due to the increase in cost for the plaques and pedestals. Also noted other projects that
- 30 their budget was used for such as the Canal exhibit, their website, which has now been incorporated into
- 31 the city's website, and miscellaneous expenditures and reimbursements.
- 32 • Mrs. Bankhead reviewed with the HPC their current budget and remaining balance and asked about their
- 33 budget for next year.
- 34 • HPC commented on their current plaques and their costs and the two new plaques they want to do in the
- 35 coming fiscal year. They reviewed the current cost of the plaques they are putting up this year and
- 36 propose a budget for next year in the amount of \$12,000, which should cover the cost of the new plaques
- 37 for Edgewood Hall and Baseball.
- 38 • Wes Bitters commented on the cost of the pedestals and suggested that they Baseball plaque be mounted
- 39 to the back stop to save money and to avoid any safety issues, as that has been a concern with other
- 40 plaques. Parties discussed alternate ways to display the plaque. Brent Speth (City Council Member)
- 41 suggested mounting it to the sidewalk in front of the backstop to make sure its secure. Parties
- 42 commented on making sure it would be secure and kept safe. HPC will discuss how to mount the plaque
- 43 when the time comes.
- 44 • HPC asked about moving forward with starting on the two new plaques as they take a while to get
- 45 processed. Staff recommended waiting until the City Council approved their budget as they didn't know
- 46 for sure if they would get the requested amount, were confident they would get the requested amount,
- 47 but advised that they should still wait until its official.

- HPC will ask the City Council for a budget of \$12,000 to complete the two new plaques in the coming fiscal year.

Item No. 2: Continued discussion of the Edgewood Hall and Softball Markers: The Historic Preservation

Commission will continue discussion and may take action on moving forward with 2 new historical markers regarding Edgewood Hall and the history of Softball in the City.

- Howard Christenson called item 2 and asked for any comments, questions, or edits. Noted that they have been working and refining the wording for a while now. Parties discussed the photos that were being used and commented on how clean or detailed they were. Commented that the photos really enhance the overall write up.
- Wes Bitters asked if the commercial names should remain in the write up. Howard responded that they would leave the commercial or sponsors in the write up as they know for sure they were involved, what won't be in the write up are the names of the women's softball players as they didn't know for sure who all was in the picture.
- Wes Bitters commented on the Edgewood Hall pictures and how the area may look very different in the coming years due to development. Glad they can see what it looked like back then and be able to show it in this plaque.

Motion to approve the write ups for Edgewood Hall and Providence Baseball & Softball Park. – Pat Perry. 2nd – Gail Trowbridge.

Vote:

Yea- Pat Perry, Gail Trowbridge, Howard Christenson & Wes Bitters.

Nay-

Abstained-

Absent- Gordon Allred.

Motion passes, write ups approved.

Item No. 3: Installation update on the Farming and Fruit Way Markers: The Historic Preservation Commission

will review and give an update on the installation of the 2 new plaques – Farming & Fruit Way.

- Howard Christenson called item 3 and gave an update stating that he has the plaques and that he is just waiting for some good weather to be able to get them set. HPC commented on making sure he gets the help he needs to get them set as they are heavy.
- Wes Bitters showed appreciation on behalf of the HPC to Brent Speth, City Council Member, for being present and showing support at these meetings.

Minutes approved by vote of the Historic Preservation Commission on day of 2024.

Howard Christenson, Chair

Ty Cameron, City Recorder