

Historic Preservation Board Meeting
Minutes – November 5, 2019

Board Members Present: Troy Reynolds, Priscilla Mangnall, Ron Parron, Jody Motz, and Greg Gnesios

Board Members Not Present: Brandon Stam, Mikhail Blosser

Others in Attendance: Landon Hawes, Senior Planner; Kristen Ashbeck, Principal Planner

1. Call to Order/Announcements

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm at City Hall.

2. Approval of Minutes

Jody Motz moved to approve minutes of the August 6, 2019 meeting with corrections. Greg Gnesios seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by a vote of 5-0.

3. Discussion Items

Revision of North 7th Street Residential Historic District Standards and Guidelines Regarding Demolition

Landon Hawes and Kristen Ashbeck explained that the current historic district standards regarding demolition of accessory structures require City Council to be the final review body for any accessory structure demolition. Staff's position is that this is an excessive level of oversight for such a small request. Additionally, the application requirements for such demolitions are onerous for the typical citizen to meet.

Staff presented two options for resolving this issue. The Historic Preservation Board selected option 2, which would authorize staff to make a determination of historic nature for a particular demolition application. Demolition of non-historic accessory structures would be reviewed by staff, while demolition of historic accessory structures would be reviewed by the Historic Preservation Board.

The Board directed staff to draft a letter presenting a draft amendment to the North 7th Street Residential Historic District Standards that would implement these changes. This letter will be reviewed by the Board, then sent to property owners.

4. Updates

Work on the Grand Junction Story Map is proceeding. CMU students are sending in PowerPoint slides to Christ Dombkowski, GIS Analyst, who is assembling them into a story map. A draft of this Story Map will be produced by the December meeting of the Board; it is hoped that this will be reviewed by Board members soon before or soon

after the December meeting.

The 2020 City Calendar has incorporated text and photos regarding historic structures and events in Grand Junction. A draft will be available soon.

5. Other Business

None

6. Adjournment

Troy Reynolds made a motion to adjourn. Jody Motz seconded, and the motion passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM.