



CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

2021 ANNUAL REPORT

INTRODUCTION

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The Historic Preservation Board (HPB) was established to enhance the community's local historic resources and promote the public health, safety, prosperity and welfare through the protection and preservation of the City's architectural, historic, and cultural heritage. This report provides an overview of activities and highlights of program activities that the Board and staff to the Board have accomplished during 2021.

BOARD MEMBERS

Mikhail Blosser

Greg Gnesios

Priscilla Mangnall

Jody Motz

Ron Parron

Troy Reynolds (Chair)

Vida Jaber

Councilman Randall Reitz (Council Liaison)

PRIMARY DUTIES

The Board's primary duties are to:

- 1) Establish a City Register listing designated structures, sites and districts; and
- 2) Provide educational opportunities to increase public appreciation of Grand Junction's unique heritage.

The Board also reviews proposed alterations to designated sites as necessary. It is comprised of five to seven members appointed by City Council.

Community Development staff organizes and helps manage Board activities including the Historic Preservation Board's monthly meetings. In addition, staff addresses historic preservation interests in the community, helps address and provide information to the general public and reviews development projects, as necessary.

2021 PROJECTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Historic Preservation Board meets monthly on the first Tuesday of the month to conduct regular business or for special meetings as needed to review development proposals. The discussion below summarizes general projects, activities and accomplishments of the Board as well as highlights some of the larger projects in which the Board has been involved.

BOARD AND STAFF GENERAL ACTIVITIES

During 2021, general operations and activities of staff and the Board included:

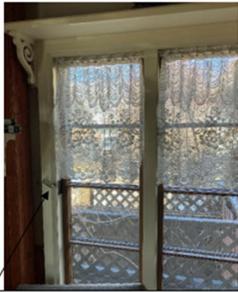
- There were two terms that expired in 2021 which were replaced with two new members as of December 31, 2021. The DDA representative was also replaced with a community member during 2021. Troy Reynolds was selected as chair for 2021.
- Staff regularly responded to inquiries by the public via phone, email or counter visits regarding Historic Preservation.
- On behalf of the Board and with comment from the Board as needed, staff responded to requests for comment on federal- or state-related capital projects or other projects requiring Section 106 or other environmental review (e.g., communications facilities) for potential impact on historic resources.
- Staff completed historic preservation review as part of the required Environmental Review for all Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) activities funded for the 2021 Program Year.
- Staff completed an annual report to History Colorado/State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) of the environmental reviews conducted July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021 per the City and State's Programmatic Agreement that is renewed every five years had been renewed in 2020.
- Other projects as highlighted on the following pages.

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These windows to be replaced.

Side of the house, facing North. This part of the house is not original, it was added around 1968, so these windows are not original. Currently, this space is filled with two wood awning windows that are hung vertically. It would be replaced with either two casement windows or one double hung window. We will know the best course of action once we tear into the window. Either way, the trim will be maintained and the color will match.



Inside. Since the window is an awning window, the mechanism is located halfway up the window on the side, instead of at the bottom like an actual casement window. This has put undue stress on the mechanism and the window, affecting its operation. Also, the snap-in screens are starting to splinter apart in multiple places.



CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS REVIEWS

Staff reviewed and made recommendation to the Board on four applications at four different properties for Certificates of Appropriateness. Applying the North Seventh Street Historic Residential District Guidelines and Standards, the proposals were approved for modifications to the properties including entry and window replacement, new fencing and landscaping and roof replacement on two properties.



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GIS STORY MAP

Staff, the Board, the City GIS Division and an independent study student from the Fall 2019 CMU Public History Class continued to develop text and identify images to complete a GIS Story Map regarding local history and historic figures and sites.

The map will be made available to the general public in 2022.



HISTORIC DESIGNATIONS

Staff and the Board worked with the owner of the home located at 1155 Grand Avenue to designate the property in the City Register of Historic Structures, Sites and Districts. Upon recommendation by the Historic Preservation Board, City Council approved historic designation of the property in October 2021.

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GUIDELINES AND STANDARDS CODE AMENDMENT

Property owners within the Lincoln Park Historic District expressed the desire to create design guidelines and standards for their newly formed District. The Board and Staff assisted District representatives in this effort. The guidelines and standards were considered by the Planning Commission in March 2021, but more public input was recommended before the request could be recommended for approval to City Council. Thus, the District residents are continuing to work on the proposal which may be resubmitted to the City for formal adoption in 2022.



HISTORIC DISTRICT SIGNAGE

City Community Development Staff, in conjunction with the City Traffic Division, worked with the Original Mile Keith's Addition Historic District located on Main Street and Rood Avenue between 9th and 13th Streets to place identification signs in the District similar to signage in the Lincoln Park and North 7th Street Historic Districts.

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DOWNTOWN HISTORIC SHADE STRUCTURE

The 1962 Operation Foresight / Downtown Shopping Park project included enhancements such as “modern” shade structures. The Board has been working with the property owner where one structure still exists to possibly move it to a downtown location.