

CAC **Public Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, March 28, 2023

2:30 p.m.

New City Hall: Second Floor Assembly Room 206 N. 5th Street

Call to Order/ Roll Call 2:30 pm

Present: CCI Liaison Tom Pratum, Beth Lindsay, Don Reordan, Vice Chair Dianne Helmer, and Chair Beverly Smith

Absent: Michael Thornton

Staff Present: Planning Director Foster, Planning Technician Oliver

Introductions and Review of Agenda

Review of Minutes from March 14, 2023 approved as submitted

Public Comment: None

Chapter 2 Re-Review of Draft Tables and Text Revisions:

James Schireman is down in the office right now working on these texts and tables. When looking at the city of Ashland's Wireless communication Standards, it is very complicated language and we don't want that for ours. Staff will continue to work on this.

We discussed the MF Zone, landscaping, open spaces, and parking requirements within the zone, staff will work on this language. We also moved the fence tables to the fence standards section to keep this information all in one place.

We took another look at our zoning map and discussed the boundary lines and their meanings. Ian thought perhaps another field trip or walking tour could be taken to better understand the black boundary line. It's identified as the downtown historic district which caused confusion during the last round because it made it seem like we were limiting HARC's jurisdiction to just everything inside that boundary, but that is just a special overlay component to the Historic Core, and it's intended to replace the core enhancement overlay which is what we currently call it, which has a broader reach if you look at the map.

Chapter 5 Historic Standards

We discussed the following- We plan on recruiting a Rare Student to help update our Landmark Inventory.

Commission Duties of the Historic and Architecture Review Commission. We may move this section somewhere else that makes more sense.

Eligible/Significant, Historic Integrity, the Historic Preservation Officer, who is the Planning Director.

Local Landmark registry

Demolition by neglect on resource structures

These resource cards on historic landmarks are available in our office

Local Landmark Registry language which mostly comes from the State Historic Preservation Office.

Designation Review criteria

Alterations to Landmarks and new construction is HARC's review, and the State has given us as well as the entire country guidelines to follow

The period of significance

Rehabilitation to a Landmark Resource/Relocation

Even though we are trying to get rid of the word “compatible” in the residential non-historic context, the word “compatible” will remain in this section and it will be used as a very specific tool in the Historic Core, the one area where we can have subjective criteria. We should have some specifics so it’s not so broad as a commission could interpret whatever to be compatible, because if they were to make that finding, it’s very difficult to overturn in a LUBA case. The more specific we can get, the better.

We discussed creating an organizational chart to help residents understand what the steps are in making changes if possible, to a National Landmark

Please keep reading ahead, and let us know if you have any questions or thoughts on it as we keep plugging away.

The Next CAC meeting will be April 11, 2023 at 2:30PM

Adjourn: 4:07 pm


Beverly Smith, Chair of the CAC


Diane Oliver, Building/Planning Technician

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