

MINUTES of a Meeting of the **HISTORIC PLACES ADVISORY COMMITTEE**, held on Thursday, June 1st, 2023
at 12:00 p.m., City Hall Meeting Room 447, with the following in attendance:

HPAC MEMBERS: George Kuhl (Chair), Andrea Cuellar, Stephen Deppisch and Miranda Grol (Via Zoom)
CITY OF LETHBRIDGE: Ross Kilgour and Cidnee Lorenz (Recorder)

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m.

2. ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

"The City of Lethbridge acknowledges that we are gathered on the lands of the Blackfoot people of the Canadian Plains and pays respect to the Blackfoot people, past, present and future while recognizing and respecting their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship to the land. The City of Lethbridge is also home to the Metis Nation of Alberta, Region III."

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

S. Deppisch moved that the agenda be approved with the following amendments:

- 5. h. China Town Park
- 6. c. Exhibition Park Pavilions

CARRIED

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

A. Cuellar moved that the April 28th, 2023, minutes be approved.

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

- a. Whitney Block (411 – 3rd Ave. S.) – Site Visit – The current site visit will need to be rescheduled and a new Doodle Poll will be sent to the committee.
- b. Urban Core Property Improvements Grant Review - R. Kilgour will speak with C. Scheit regarding the possibility of a brochure being put together and circulated to building owners.
- c. HPAC Status and Terms of Reference - The Planning Manager is working with the City Solicitor to determine next steps.
- d. Oliver Block Ribbon Plaque Update – The plaque has been ordered and should be delivered soon.
- e. SOS McKillop Church (2329 15th Ave. S.) - R. Kilgour will review the draft SOS in detail and make suggestions. Any committee suggestions can be forwarded to R. Kilgour.
- f. Manie Opera Society Demolition Update - City Council directed Administration to issue a heritage Intervention Approval effective June 13th, 2023.
- g. Applied Studies Students – Submission Update:
 - G. Kuhl suggested students could identify other properties and develop preliminary Statements of Significance.
 - R. Kilgour will speak with C. Scheit to see if her or her staff might have capacity to take on a student/s in the fall.
- h. Chinatown Park:
 - The Urban Revitalization Manager hopes to hire a consultant to design a park this year.
 - A. Cuellar moved that the Chinatown Plaque be installed in front of the Chinese Free Masons building on the sidewalk.

CARRIED

6. AGENDA ITEMS:

- a. HPAC Vacancy for Indigenous Person Update:
 - There is an applicant and if the opportunity for interview arises that would be welcomed.
 - S. Deppisch will reply to City Clerk's email providing his feedback.
- b. HPAC Skills Matrix:
 - The description of the required skills from the proposed updated Terms of Reference will be put into the matrix. R. Kilgour will make the changes and circulate to the committee for review.
- c. Exhibition Park Pavilions:
 - The committee can aid Council if it is determined that the buildings are of some sort of historical value.
 - G. Kuhl will follow-up with Councillor Crowson.

7. NEXT MEETING DATE:

- C. Lorenz will send out a Doodle Poll for late June (26-29) meeting date and site inspection at Whitney Block.

8. COMMITTEE MEMBER ROUND TABLE:

- The Globe and Mail article on site plaques was forwarded to the committee. C. Lorenz will add "Plaque Discussion" to the next agenda.
- Meeting Stipend – R. Kilgour will investigate.
- The committee would like to consider having a joint meeting with the Reconciliation Lethbridge Advisory Committee to discuss overlapping interests.
- Bentley Block – R. Kilgour will check-in to see what is holding up activity.

ACTION:	<p>R. KILGOUR:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Urban Core Property Improvements Grant - Speak with C. Scheit regarding a possible brochure being put together and circulated to building owners.• Bentley Block – Check-in to see what is holding up activity.• HPAC Status and Terms of Reference – Provide update at next meeting.• Oliver Block Ribbon Plaque - Provide update.• SOS McKillop Church (2329 15th Ave. S.) - Review the draft SOS in detail and make suggestions.• Applied Studies Students – Speak with C. Scheit to see if her or her staff might have capacity to take on a student/s in the fall.• China Town Plaque – Have plaque installed in front of the Chinese Free Masons building.• HPAC Skills Matrix - Make the changes and circulate to the committee for review.• Meeting Stipend – Investigate. <p>G. KUHL - Exhibition Park Pavilions - Follow-up with Councillor Crowson.</p> <p>S. DEPPISCH - Reply to City Clerk's email providing feedback.</p> <p>C. LORENZ:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Send out Doodle Poll for June/July meeting and Whitney Block site visit dates.• Add "Plaque Discussion" to the next agenda.
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10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:13 p.m.