

**MINUTES
CITY OF AMES
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

Date: August 8, 2016	Kim Hanna, Chairperson	2019
	Jason Dietzenbach, Vice Chairperson	2018
Call to Order: 7:00 PM	Matt Donovan	2017
	Roberta Vann	2017
Place: Ames City Hall Council Chambers	Peter Hallock	2018
	Lisa Hovis	2018
Adjournment: 7:12 PM	*Ted Grevstad-Nordbrock	2019
	[*Absent]	

CALL TO ORDER: Kim Hanna, Chairperson, called the August 8, 2016 Historic Preservation Commission meeting to order at 7:00 PM

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION: (Dietzenbach/Hallock) to approve the August 8, 2016 meeting agenda

MOTION PASSED: (6-0)

APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 13, 2016 MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION: (Donovan/Dietzenbach) to approve the June 13, 2016 meeting minutes

MOTION PASSED: (6-0)

PUBLIC FORUM: There were no public comments.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSIONERS

Ray Anderson, Staff Liaison, provided general information on the *2016 Preserve Iowa Summit*, scheduled for September 15-17, 2016, in Davenport, Iowa. He reviewed City funds that became available on July 1, 2016. Half of this \$2,000 annual budget is intended for training activities. *Preserve Iowa Summit* fees, travel expenses, options for sending Commission members, and City reimbursement were reviewed. Several other training opportunities were noted. The City's designation as a Certified Local Government requires a Commission member and/or staff to attend a qualifying training function annually to maintain CLG status, Mr. Anderson explained.

Kim Hanna asked if commissioners would be able to attend the *2016 Preserve Iowa Summit*. Peter Hallock, Roberta Vann, and Kim Hanna could not attend. Matt Donovan said if he could attend, he would be representing the Department of Transportation—this would count toward the CLG requirement, Mr. Anderson noted. Jason Dietzenbach and Lisa Hovis expressed interest in attending and indicated they would check their schedules and make commitments in time to take advantage of the early bird registration deadline on August 15, 2016. Mr. Anderson said the City would pay their registration fees and reimburse for mileage expenses.

COMMISSION COMMENTS: Peter Hallock was contacted via email as President of the Ames Historic Old Town Neighborhood Association by a resident who was confused about re-siding or repainting a house located within the Old Town District. The resident had heard from a neighbor that those sorts of changes required permission from the neighborhood association board. Mr. Hallock explained that home owners in the District have to apply to the City when considering new siding, but not to repaint. Mr. Anderson indicated he had heard from a property owner who mentioned siding and painting, among other things. Mr. Hallock asked if at future meetings there could be a regular staff report on alteration requests processed by staff. This reporting would enable the Commission to know if requests are being handled administratively by staff or if nothing is going on in the district during the intervals between Commission meetings.

Jason Dietzenbach provided updates on several items. (1) To date nearly 3,000 historic building plaque walking tour brochures were distributed at City Hall, the Ames Public Library, the Ames Historical Society, the ISU Welcome Center, and the Ames Convention and Visitors Bureau. The Main Street Cultural District is also distributing brochures. (2) A website is being developed featuring an interactive map of the Main Street District. Eventually the site will include historic building information extending beyond the space/character limitations of the building plaques. (3) Discussions began with the Public Arts Commission regarding trailhead marker plaques for the east and west ends of Main Street, including budget information for a funding request for the next fiscal year.

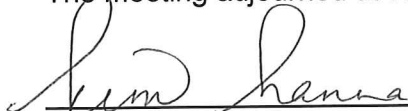
STAFF COMMENTS: Mr. Anderson indicated he would coordinate *Preserve Iowa Summit* plans with Jason Dietzenbach and Lisa Hovis prior to the early bird registration deadline. At future Commission meetings staff will provide updates on administrative approval items (e.g. fences, shingle replacement). Mr. Anderson cited recent garage demolition and construction discussion, but staff did not yet have formal applications that would come to the Commission for review.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

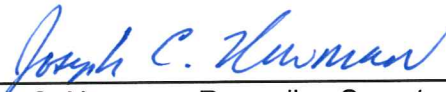
MOTION: (Hovis/Vann) to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION PASSED: (6-0)

The meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM.



Kim Hanna, Chairperson
Historic Preservation Commission



Joseph C. Newman, Recording Secretary
Department of Planning & Housing