

Columbus Historic Landmarks and Preservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 28, 2024
161 North Dickason Boulevard

The meeting was called to order by Chair Ruth Hermanson at 3:00 p.m.

Attendance: Commissioners Ulrich, Altschwager, Hermanson, Elling, Kaland, Nichols and Gilbertson. Recreation Director Meyers, Economic Development Director Mike Kornmann and Mayor Hammer were also present.

Notice of open meeting: Chair Hermanson noted that the meeting agenda had been posted and distributed per State Statutes.

Approve agenda: Motion by Nichols, second by Altschwager to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve minutes from the Regular Meeting July 24, 2024: Motion by Kaland, second by Gilbertson, to approve the meeting minutes of July 24, 2024 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's report: Commissioner Altschwager presented the report as of August 18, 2024

- Susan Stare Auditorium Fund (CD)		\$ 19,148.88
- Water Tower Fund	253474	\$ 10,585.22
- Mary Poser/ Former Columbus Auditorium Corporation	2502700 (CD)	\$ 32,307.87
- RestHaven Improvement	255362	\$ 85,682.20
- Façade Improvement Fund	255707	\$ 131.86
- Columbus Pavilion ADA Accessibility Fund	250968	\$ 4,000.89
- CHLPC Account	187450	\$ 33,756.26

Motion by Elling, second by Nichols to accept the Treasurer's report dated August 18, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Elling, second by Nichols, to approve payment of \$60.00 to Columbus American Legion for meals at the August concert. Payment to come from Account 255362. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nichols, second by Gilbertson, to approve payment of \$586.15 to Minuteman Press for signage. Payment to come from Account 255362. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nichols, second by Gilbertson, to approve payment of \$1,748.30 to Roberts Manufacturing, for historic district medallion posts. Payment to come from Account 187450. Motion carried unanimously. [remainder of \$4,748.30 invoice to come from City New Projects account]

Summer Concert Series 2024: The September meeting to include a summary of financials for the season.

Local Landmarks Designation and Local Designated Districts: No action. Various members may study this process and situation in Columbus for recommendations on an action plan at a future meeting.

Fundraising status for Resthaven: ED Director Kornmann reported that the Resthaven project is not on the current draft of near-term Capital Improvement Projects. The group agreed that subcommittee

members may start talking with individual donors using the project cost list prepared by McKee Construction.

Grants: The group agreed not to pursue a WEDC Community Renewal Grant for amphitheater development at a community park.

Medallion Markings for Historic Districts: The City Public Works Department will be installing these in the spring of 2025.

2024 Wine Walk: Commissioner Nichols questioned whether the CHLPC would be interested in sponsoring and staffing a site along the November 30 wine walk. The group agreed that they would not be able to staff a stand-alone site but may work with the Columbus Historical Society at their location.

CHLPC Façade Improvement Fund: Motion by Ulrich, second by Altschwager to transfer this money (\$131.86) from the current CHLPC account to the Resthaven Improvement Account (#255362) and close the CHLPC Façade Improvement account. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Next meeting date WEDNESDAY, September 25, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

Motion by Altschwager, second by Gilbertson to adjourn at 5:35 p.m. Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Henry J. Elling, CHLPC Secretary