

Columbus Historic Landmarks and Preservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 26, 2025
105 North Dickason Boulevard

The meeting was called to order by Chair Ruth Hermanson at 4:05 p.m.

Attendance: Commissioners Altschwager, Hermanson, Elling and Gilbertson. Commissioners Kaland and Ulrich were excused. Dave Bennett, Brian Nagle 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 Gilbertson, second by Altschwager to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Minutes of January 22: Motion by Altschwager, second by Gilbertson to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's report: as of February 19, 2025:

- Susan Stare Auditorium Fund (CD)		\$ 19,148.88
- Water Tower Fund	253474	\$ 10,625.02
- Mary Poser/ Former Columbus Auditorium Corporation	2502700 (CD)	\$ 32,307.87
- RestHaven Improvement	255362	\$105,111.01
- Façade Improvement Fund	255707	closed by action of commission
- Columbus Pavilion ADA Accessibility Fund	250968	\$ 4,015.93
- CHLPC Account	187450	\$ 32,567.71

Motion by Elling, second by Gilbertson to approve as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Summer Concert Series Performance Contracts: Postponed to the March CHLPC meeting.

Chamber of Commerce Sponsorship of Summer Concert Series: No information from Chamber at this time.

Advertising for Summer Concert Series: Banners will be available end of May. Mr. Bennett identified opportunities for digital advertising.

Vibrant Spaces Grant: April, 2025 release date of awards. Timeline for completion, if awarded, is December 31, 2026.

City Tourism Grant applications: Motion by Gilbertson, second by Altschwager, to apply for a \$1,000 tourism grant for the Summer Concert Series. Elling will complete the online application form.

Designating historic sites and structures:

Commissioners reviewed materials submitted by Mr. Bennett for designation of City Hall. The group agreed to review and discuss further at the March meeting.

Motion by Elling, second by Altschwager to adjourn at 5:15 p.m. Carried Unanimously.

NEXT MEETING: March 25, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Henry J. Elling, CHLPC Secretary