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Historic Resources Advisory Committee Agenda

March 12, 2025 at 5:00pm

Downtown Library Large Meeting Room

MEETING MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gillette called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM.

B. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge the Áak'w Kwaan and T'aaku Kwaan as the original owners and inhabitants of the City & Borough of Juneau. We are grateful to be here in your ancestral homeland as we come to you from areas of Alaska and beyond. We are thankful that you have permitted us to live here and make this land our home. Gunalchéesh.

C. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present: Gary Gillette, Dorene Lorenz, Cheryl Jebe, Shannon Crossley, and Steve Winker.

Committee members present via zoom: Robin Brenner

Committee members absent: Jerrick Hope-Lang

Staff present: Scott Ciambor, CDD Planning Manager

Members of the public present: Keith McPencow

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Gillette motioned that the agenda be approved after moving item 5. Dotson Landing Cabin before HRAC Ord. to allow member of the public to engage without staying through entire meeting, Ms. Lorenz seconded the motion. Motion approved. 6-0 .

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. January 23, 2025 and February 5, 2025 minutes Vice-Chair Lorenz motioned to be approved with unanimous consent

F. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

G. AGENDA TOPICS

2. New Business:

1. Committee discussed discovery of one-room cabin on CBJ land by Amalga Harbor by member of the public, Mr. McPencow. The cabin is historic and has been surveyed on the existing plat. Discussed using it as a weekend cabin, signage, light maintenance to maintain longevity of structure. Roof is starting to deteriorate and next few years critical to saving structure. Public member guessed it's about 10'x16' or 8'x12', called the "Little Old Lady Cabin" and may have been on Smith Family property before being transferred to CBJ.



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2. Section 106: Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities is conducting a section 106 for a proposed roundabout in the Mendenhall Valley Suburbs. HRAC given opportunity to comment and review work, and committee did not find information in report or the APE boundary we would advise to be addressed.

3. HRAC Ordinance: Chair Gillette discussed the proposed changes to HRAC's charter under Chair Ella Adkison and how the committee is recommending to strike "Cooperating and consulting with the assembly, the historic district commission, the community development department and the state historic commission on matters concerning historical districts and historic, prehistoric and archaeological preservation in the City and Borough;" from the HRAC charter. Members discussed how this is the core of HRAC, and how CBJ Planning Department and the Mayor's Office are not qualified to consult for the Assembly and outside entities on historic preservation matters, and that HRAC has a dedicated group of volunteers that fill that role well. Members also discussed how striking this may effect Juneau's CLG status, potentially eliminating Juneau from qualifying for SOA funding for preservation efforts. (Removing Juneau from the group of Certified Local Governments that work with the State of Alaska on preservation matters.) Secretary Crossley motions for Chair Gillette to write a letter to the assembly to advocate they do not strike HRAC's role to consult and cooperate with the City and Borough Assembly.

H. COMMITTEE MEMBER / LIAISON COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

CBJ planning department has assigned Scott Ciambor as our liaison, the department moved Mr. Courtney to long range planning and they are hopefully hiring two more planners in the very near future.

Vice-Chair Lorenz has been appointed the chair of the Alaska State Commission for Human Rights and spoke about a graphic novel and playing cards they have commissioned to highlight stories of Alaskan Civil Rights activism.

I. NEXT MEETING DATE – April 2, 2025

J. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Brenner motioned that the committee at 6:12 PM adjourn the March 12, 2025, HRAC meeting. Motion approved.

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