



HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 6:00 PM
Council Chambers at City Hall Building

Minutes

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Ron Jones, Max Mitchell, Elizabeth Robertson, DaLayn Bing

OTHERS PRESENT: Community Services Director John Bradley

WELCOME

Minutes approved October 2025. Motion by Committee Member Mitchell and seconded by Committee Robertson.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Welcome new board member DaLayn Bing. She is a lifelong resident of Santaquin and excited to serve the community. She has recently retired from 32 years working at the Mt View Hospital. Both of her parents were very involved in the Santaquin community.
2. Future Historic Book Options:
 - a. Committee is taking a break now from a new book but interested in a future edition.
 - b. Director Bradley will look for funding options for \$2,000 to print another book in the next 18 months. CLG grant and City funding are the two best options
 - c. Discussed different locations and options for another book. Will add those to existing list that Committee Member Davis has started.
 - d. Will get the group together in a work meeting in early February to start work again.
 - e. Committee Member Bing recommended showcasing the locations in the new book during Orchard Days. Perhaps volunteers could be at locations to tell history of those locations.
3. My Home Town Santaquin is a service organization new in Santaquin. This group might be willing to provide service for the Hudson Home, which is one of the older homes in Santaquin. Committee member Mitchell will check with My Home Town to get on the list for future service projects.
4. Continued the discussion of providing plaques at various historic locations that are either still standing or are no longer standing. Permission from homeowners would need to be secured and a contract MOU created by City Attorney. Different designs and prices were discussed. Director Bradley will see if there is additional funding for future plaques.
 - a. Discussed example of Story Walk plaques in Payson. Would like something more permanent that is sealed close for weather.
 - b. Discussed using the example of trail signs at Prospector view. They could be designed very nice and it is more affordable. Director Bradley to email the committee a picture example of trail signs.
5. America 250 Celebration will take place in 2026. Committee Member Robertson attended the recent planning meeting and shared some potential projects:

Potential community program ideas included:

- a. Art Show as part of 2026 Orchard Days (theme based)
- b. Essay Contest as part of 2026 Orchard Days (theme based)
- c. Quilt show as part of 2026 Orchard Days (theme based)
- d. Parade as part of 2026 Orchard Days (theme based)

- e. Walk 250 Utah Challenge culminating by July 2026
- f. Museum-Research descendants of the Revolutionary War
- g. Recognize all the service given-root beer floats. Partner with My Hometown Santaquin.
- h. Elementary Schools/ youth involvement with the Art and Essay contests.
- i. Discussed it might be a challenge to paint a mural in city hall in that short of time
- j. Committee Member Mitchell mentioned it would be interesting if we could include the Father Escalante travels of 1776 in Utah Valley as part of the celebration.

City Council has passed a resolution and the America 250 planning Committee will have at least \$1500 to use from a State Grant. The next planning meeting is in March and results can be shared in the April meeting.

- 6. Director Bradley gave a copy of a Salem City Tour packet to committee members. He recently attended a tour and had a great time learning of the city history. This is something we can discuss in next meeting and utilize potentially with Orchard Days.

COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES, QUESTIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS

NEXT MEETING

- 5. Thursday, April 16, 2026

ADJOURNMENT

Committee Member Robertson motioned to adjourn the meeting and Committee Member Mitchell seconded the motion.

ATTEST:

Committee Chair

Meeting Recorder