

MINUTES
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
January 5, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Duane Baumgartner, Mike Bender, Jean Kessloff, Ken Loeschke, Norman Nelson, John Wagner

OTHERS PRESENT: John Brewer, Kevin Smith, Rich Dunkelberger, Michelle Dennis, Karen Bulman, Sharlene Mitchell

Call to Order

Loeschke called the meeting to order at 7:34 a.m.

829-823 Quincy Street (09CM002)

Smith briefly addressed the installation of exterior access doors in both 823 and 829 Quincy Street noting that KT Connections owns both properties and will remodel the interior of the 823 Quincy Street property.

Bender moved to recommend a finding that the installation of exterior access doors in both 823 and 829 Quincy Street will have no adverse affect on historic property. Kessloff seconded the motion.

In response to a question from Wagner, Smith addressed the security and fire safety issues related to the Quincy Street properties.

The motion to recommend a finding that the installation of exterior access doors in both 823 and 829 Quincy Street will have no adverse affect on historic property carried unanimously.

Downtown Historic District (09CM001)

Brewer indicated that the goals and purpose of Destination Rapid City is to promote downtown Rapid City and to facilitate the downtown area as a pedestrian friendly destination. Brewer provided a detailed presentation regarding the kiosk locations, construction and display materials and dimensions. Brewer indicated that the project will also require City Council and Planning Commission approval as the kiosk will be located in the public right-of-way.

The Commission suggested that the following materials be incorporated into the "You Are Hear" map: the enamel sign locations, the pedestrian corridor across Omaha Street to the Civic Center, the Journey Museum location, and the locations of the Walking Tour Brochures.

Loeschke addressed the user friendly issues that would be addressed by the Chamber of Commerce and Destination Rapid City utilizing the same map layout. Discussion followed regarding the web updates being undertaken by the City of Rapid City, the Chamber of Commerce and Destination Rapid City; the goal to provide clear information on the kiosk map; and the location of the kiosk to avoid competition with the sight triangles and presidential statues. Brewer indicated that the kiosk will not be utilized for brochure distribution.

Discussion followed regarding the kiosk dimensions and site locations. In response to a question from Bender, Brewer addressed the design of the support base taking into consideration snow removal and ADA issues.

Discussion followed regarding the finial design and expanding the kiosk project to include the trolley routes and the Mt Rushmore Road area.

In response to a question from Bender, Brewer indicated that the display graphics and directory would be updated on an annual basis. Discussion followed regarding locating a kiosk at the mid-block pedestrian crossing on Omaha Street.

Discussion followed regarding the final kiosk design including dimensions, color, fade resistance properties of the colors, and design of the decorative finial. Brewer reviewed the detailed site locations for the six kiosks (see attached).

Bender moved to recommend a finding that the installation of six (6) information kiosks in the Downtown Historic District will have no adverse affect on historic property with the following stipulations:

- 1. that the kiosk color be tarnished green;**
- 2. that the finial be a round ball with a decorative scroll; and,**
- 3. that the kiosk locations be amended as identified by the attached site locations.**

Nelson seconded the motion.

In response to a question from Nelson, Bender indicated that the application would only require further review if there were substantial changes to the current design.

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carried unanimously.

Minutes

Baumgartner moved, Bender seconded and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2008 meeting.

Home Show

Kessloff addressed the Pennington County Court House preservation project noting the materials the Court House has offered for use during the Home Show weekend. Kessloff recommended that the booth theme be "buildings saved". Bender suggested including the Windsor Block and the Pink House in the display. The Committee voiced support for the utilization of the Court House display materials.

Baumgartner moved, Bender seconded and carried unanimously to designate Kessloff as a representative for the Historic Preservation Commission to the Pennington County Court House Preservation Committee and to designate Kessloff's time on the Pennington County Court House Preservation Committee as match time for the CLG grant.

Hotel Alex Johnson

Dunkelberger indicated that renovation of the Hotel Alex Johnson would begin in the fall noting that a future project will restore the store front windows to the Landmark Restaurant location. Discussion followed regarding the interior renovations. Dunkelberger indicated that he would

like the designer to meet with the Commission noting that the designer would be available on January 19, 2009.

Historic Preservation Ordinance Committee

In response to a question from Loeschke, Bulman indicated that the Committee will reconvene following City Council confirmation of the new members.

Other Business

Loeschke recommended that the election of officers be continued to the January 16, 2009 meeting.

Adjourn

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:13 a.m.