JOPLIN | HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
APRIL 16, 2024

The Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Joplin met on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. in the 5th floor study at Joplin City Hall at 602 South Main Street, Joplin, Missouri.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Jill Halbach, Ms. Emily Frankoski, Dr. William Fischer, Ms. Lori Haun, Dr. William Mountz, Ms. Kate Detar and Mr. Jeff Millard.

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Mr. Robert Brueckner and Mr. Greg Huff.

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Thomas Walters and Vicky Copeland represented the City of Joplin.

Items 1. & 2. Meeting Called to Order and Roll Call
Ms. Jill Halbach opened the meeting at 5:00 p.m. and Vicky Copeland called the roll.

DR. WILLIAM FISCHER MOVED, SECONDED BY MS. KATE DETAR TO EXCUSE MR. ROBERT BRUECKNER AND MR. GREG HUFF. MS. JILL HALBACH, MS. EMILY FRANKOSKI, DR. WILLIAM FISCHER, MS. LORI HAUN, DR. WILLIAM MOUNTZ, MS. KATE DETAR AND JEFF MILLARD VOTING "AYE". MOTION CARRIED. (7 IN FAVOR, 2 ABSENT).

Item 3. Approval of Minutes

MS. LORI HAUN MOVED, SECONDED BY MS. KATE DETAR TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE MARCH 19, 2024, HPC MEETING. MS. JILL HALBACH, MS. EMILY FRANKOSKI, DR. WILLIAM FISCHER, MS. LORI HAUN, DR. WILLIAM MOUNTZ, MS. KATE DETAR AND JEFF MILLARD VOTING "AYE". MOTION CARRIED. (7 IN FAVOR, 2 ABSENT).

Item 4. Budget

Mr. Thomas Walters presented the budget with no changes or expenditures to reflect. There were no questions from the Commission.

Item 5. Public Hearings

There were none.

Item 6. Discussion Items

a. Union Depot Update

Ms. Haun stated they had put out a solicitation of interest request that was available on the website. All of the reports they have done, and all the studies and the community input are available on there for potential developers and the packet is on there that details out what they in the state are looking for to move it to the next phase. This will allow prospective developers information on what they want to do, similar projects, access to references, information on the funding process and concept so they are not having to spend the money and the time to do a full proposal at this point. The deadline is the end of May for submittal. They have a committee formed of state and local representatives that will be reviewing those and making recommendations from that. They had an open house last weekend for anyone interested in submitting a proposal.

b. HPC Business for the Year

The Commission talked about Real Estate training. Ms. Halbach stated she had reached out to Elizabeth Rosen with Rosen Preservation; however, she was out of the office for a couple of weeks so it would be at least that long before she would hear anything back. Ms. Halbach stated she and Ms. Haun had a lead and they were looking at someone online. She asked Mr. Walters if he had any update on Mr. Huff's workshop and Mr. Walters stated he would follow up with Mr. Huff. They were supposed to have a meeting on Thursday evening.

Item 7. Old Business

a. Neon Sign Standards Update

Mr. Walters stated the Neon Sign Standards update was approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission and recommended to Council. This item is scheduled to go before the Council the first meeting in May.

Item 8. New Business

Mr. Michael Mayfarth, Engineer at Olsson, 1027 S. Main St. Joplin delivered the Downtown Gateway Presentation. The presentation was for HPC feedback only.

Item 9. Announcements

Ms. Jill Halbach made Library announcements. She also stated that May is Historic Preservation Month and confirmed the proclamation and report would be presented at the Council Meeting on May 20, 2024.

Ms. Emily Frankoski presented a Connect2Culture schedule of upcoming events.

Ms. Lori Haun reminded everyone of the loft tours in June.

Dr. William Fischer announced a MSSU World Music and Cuisine Festival in the Young Gymnasium.

MS. EMILY FRANKOSKI MOVED, SECONDED BY DR. WILLIAM FISCHER TO ADJOURN. MS. JILL HALBACH, MS. EMILY FRANKOSKI, DR. WILLIAM FISCHER, MS. LORI HAUN, DR. WILLIAM MOUNTZ, MS. KATE DETAR AND JEFF MILLARD VOTING "AYE". MOTION CARRIED. (7 IN FAVOR, 2 ABSENT).

Approved _____
Jill Halbach, Chairperson

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Vicky Copeland, Recording Secretary