JOPLIN | HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2026

The Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Joplin met Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 5:00PM in the Council Chambers, located at Joplin City Hall.

The following commission members were present: Mr. Millard, Ms. Detar, Dr. Mountz, Dr. Fischer, Dr. Reid-Adams, Ms. Haun, and Ms. Provin.

The following commission members were absent: Mr. Huff and Mr. Brueckner.

Thomas Walters represented the City of Joplin.

1. **Meeting Called to Order**
   Dr. Mountz called the meeting to order of the Historic Preservation Commission at 5:00PM.

2. **Roll Call**
   Mr. Kellstadt called the roll.

   MS. DETAR MADE A MOTION TO EXCUSE ALL ABSENT COMMISION MEMBERS. THIS MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. REID-ADAMS. MOTION CARRIED. (7 IN FAVOR, 0 IN OPPOSITION, 2 ABSENT)

3. **Approval of Minutes**
   DR. REID-ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MARCH 17, 2026, MEETING MINUTES OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION AS AMENDED. THIS MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. FISCHER, MOTION CARRIED. (7 IN FAVOR, 0 IN OPPOSITION, 2 ABSENT)

4. **Budget**

Mr. Walters reported that there is a contract signed with Urbana Preservation and Planning for Phase I of North Heights. The first expenditure will be approximately $8,600 which is about 50 percent of the total project.

5. **Public Hearings**

None

6. **Discussion Items**

a. **Memorial Hall**

The initial board meeting is planned for next week. The first public meeting was held a few weeks ago and there were about 40 people in attendance. The bill for the lodging tax increase in the legislature is now in the State Senate. Waiting on a Senate vote.

b. **North Heights Survey Phase I and II Update**

Phase II deadline for submittals is in the middle of May. Phase I is under contract. The first meeting will be during the first week in June.

c. **May Preservation Symposium**

Historic Preservation Commissioners who plan on attending will be responsible for the $25 attendance fee. The fee includes breakfast and lunch. Joplin will be receiving an acknowledgement for 40 years as a CLG.

d. **Parks Survey**

Dr. Mountz indicated that he plans to provide a progress update in June.

e. **Local Landmark Designation – 612 W. E Street**

A certificate of appropriateness has been issued for the building.

f. **State Preservation Conference**

September 14 – 16 in Lebanon, MO. The plan is to attend the State Preservation Conference instead of Missouri Main Street.

g. **Proclamation**

The mayor will give a proclamation that May is Historic Preservation Month.

7. **Old Business**

None

8. **New Business**

None

9. **Announcements**

The survey for the downtown historic district public meeting will be held on May 12 at 4:00 pm.

Adjournment

DR. FISCHER MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE APRIL 21, 2026, MEETING OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION. THIS MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MS. DETAR. MOTION CARRIED. (7 IN FAVOR, 0 IN OPPOSITION, 2 ABSENT)

Approved William T. Mott
Chairperson

Approved Eric Kellstadt
Recording Secretary