JOPLIN | HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2025

The Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Joplin met Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 5:00PM in the 5th floor Council Chambers, located at Joplin City Hall.

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

The following commission member was absent: Mr. Huff, Ms. Haun, 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 to order at 5:00PM.

2. **Roll Call**

   Mr. Walters called the roll.

   DR. FISCHER MADE A MOTION TO EXCUSE ALL ABSENT COMMISION MEMBERS. THIS MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MS. DETAR. MOTION CARRIED. (6 IN FAVOR, 0 IN OPPOSITION, 3 ABSENT)

3. **Approval of Minutes**

   DR. REID-ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 21, 2025, MEETING MINUTES OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION. THIS MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. FISCHER. MOTION CARRIED. (6 IN FAVOR, 0 IN OPPOSITION, 3 ABSENT)

4. **Budget**

   Mr. Walters presented the budget. Mr. Walters explained This was the new budget and first month under the fiscal year.

5. **Public Hearings**

713 S Main: Dr. Mountz read the public hearing procedures, and Mr. Walters delivered the staff report. The applicant is requesting a new façade. The existing façade was previously reviewed and approved in 2019. The building has no remaining features to be protected, and only the shell of the first floor remain of a three part commercial resource of the original building. Contemporary façade in a traditional storefront configuration is permitted. Applicant is requesting materials that are not typical, but also do not create a false sense of historicness, and entryway and storefront window configuration will remain unchanged. Staff recommends approval.

MS. DETAR MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 713 S. MAIN STREET. THIS MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. REID-ADAMS. MOTION CARRIED. (6 IN FAVOR, 0 IN OPPOSITION, 3 ABSENT)

6. **Discussion Items**

   A. **Memorial Hall**

   Dr. Mountz introduced a guest, Clifford Wertz, to present a presentation given to Council a the previous meeting on a proposal to rehabilitate Memorial Hall.

7. **Old Business**

8. **New Business**

   A. **November goals setting**

   Commission held their annual review of Commission Goals for projects over the next year. New proposals submitted by Dr. Reid-Adams and Ms. Haun were added to the master list. Dr. Fisher added a walking tour project at the meeting. The totality of the goals were reviewed and prioritized to be adopted as the 2026 goals.

9. **Announcements**

The Chair announced the intend to having a social gathering of the Commission over the holidays in downtown or some other possible location.

Adjournment

MS. DETAR MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE NOVEMBER 18, 2025, MEETING OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION. THIS MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. REID-ADAMS. MOTION CARRIED. (6 IN FAVOR, 0 IN OPPOSITION, 3 ABSENT)

Approved _____
Chairperson

Approved _____
Recording Secretary