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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION AGENDA
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES BUILDING - PLANNING CONFERENCE ROOM
171 N. ROSS ST.
TUESDAY, January 8, 2013 @ 4:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER. Richard Meinert, Chair.
 - a. Approval of Minutes - November 13, 2012
2. CLG REPORT
3. OTHER BUSINESS
4. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATIONS
5. ADJOURNMENT

**CITY OF AUBURN
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

MEETING SUMMARY: NOVEMBER 13, 2012
DSB CONFERENCE ROOM
4:00 PM

ATTENDING MEMBERS: Joel Tremaine, Ann Pearson, Charles Hendrix, Susan Konstant and Thomas Sparrow

MEMBERS ABSENT: Richard Meinert (on phone), Peter Weiss

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Matt Mosley, Senior Planner;

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: None

SUMMARY OF MEETING

ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER

The meeting started at 4:02 p.m. Commissioner Thomas Sparrow, Vice-Chair, opened the meeting and welcomed all of the guests present.

Vice-Chair Sparrow asked if everyone had read the September minutes and if anyone would like to make a motion.

Commissioner Joel Tremaine made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Charles Hendrix seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

ITEM 2: DISCUSSION OF NORTH COLLEGE STREET HISTORIC MARKER

Vice-Chair stated that the next item was discussion on the North College St. historic marker. He asked Mr. Mosley to provide some background information on the marker for the new commissioners.

Mr. Mosley stated that the text and location had been approved through all of the City Departments and the Historic Preservation Commission. He noted that the funds were approved and the check should go out shortly. He also noted that he had discussions with city staff about improving some of the aesthetics around the area.

Commissioner Ann Pearson stated that she had sent in the text to the HCC a few weeks prior. She asked if Mr. Mosley had heard anything back from the commission.

Mr. Mosley stated that he had not heard anything back and thought it may come after money had been submitted to the HCC.

ITEM 3: SOUTH GAY STREET LETTER

Mr. Mosley stated that he had written a rough draft of the letter to send to the developer. Mr. Mosley showed the HPC members a new site plan of the lot with the general locations of the historic homes and the proposed building.

Commissioner Pearson stated that previously people had looked at moving the Ingalls house.

Vice-Chair Sparrow stated that he thought the letter to the developer was well written, but did not feel the resolution to the City Council was appropriate. He did not know if it would be successful and may hinder future works of the HPC. He thought copying the City Council on the letter to the developer may be more appropriate.

Commissioner Tremaine stated that it sounded like there may be some opportunity to move the house.

Mr. Mosley stated that he had some discussions with the developer and their representatives, but did not know if there was enough time to fit within their schedule.

Commissioner Hendrix asked if the stone house could be removed and the Ingalls house be placed in the vacant area.

Vice-Chair Sparrow asked if something could be put in the newspaper letting people know that the house was available. He understood the developer wanting to do the entire project at once, but that some publicity might be able to push someone to move the house. He stated that he was worried a resolution would push someone to demolish the buildings before further action could be taken.

Commissioner Hendrix asked if the Alumni Association might be a good magazine to advertise the building being available.

Mr. Mosley stated that the City had a public relations arm that could help publicize the availability. He noted that he would need to talk to the developer's representatives about the logistics of this.

Commissioner Pearson stated that if the building was in a historic district it could not be demolished.

Vice-Chair Sparrow recapped the action steps of communicating with the developer further through the letter, alerting the press of the availability of the homes and trying to find a way to protect the Ingalls house in another location.

Mr. Mosley stated that he would add another paragraph stating that the HPC was against the loss of the house and hoped to find someone to help move the building.

Vice-Chair Sparrow asked how the commission felt about the resolution to City Council.

Commissioner Tremaine stated that he thought the intent was to get some interest and movement on the issue. He stated that he felt the letter did this without the resolution.

Commissioner Hendrix stated that he did not want to get a negative reaction from the developer because of the resolution.

ITEM 4: ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR

Vice-Chair Sparrow stated that the next item on the agenda was the election of the vice-chair position. He stated that he was not opposed to serving but did not want to overlook anyone else who wanted to the serve.

Commissioner Hendrix nominated Thomas Sparrow for the vice-chair position. Commissioner Tremaine seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

ITEM 4: OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Mosley stated that he hoped to have the Certified Local Government Annual Report to them at their next meeting. He stated that the past year had not been as eventful as the previous year in terms of the number of Certificates of Appropriateness.

Commissioner Pearson also mentioned that Sunnyslope is available for sale. She noted that the owner may be looking to subdivide it, which she did not particularly like.

Commissioner Tremaine asked if it was on the National Register.

Mr. Mosley stated that it was on the register, but that only provided an honorary designation.

Commissioner Tremaine asked if there was anything that could be done on the Depot. He asked if there were any funds that could be applied for to repair it.

Mr. Mosley stated that the City could assist the property owner if they chose to apply for funds. He noted that the only thing the HPC could do is stop the property from being demolished by neglect.

ITEM 6: CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

There was no citizens' communication.

ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Hendrix moved to adjourn at 4:58 p.m. Commissioner Pearson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous 5-0.

Alabama Historical Commission
CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT ANNUAL REPORT

Municipality City of Auburn, AL Year FY 2012 (Oct 1 2011 –Sept 30, 2012)

This form is to be completed by the CLG Contact or Commission Chairman. The local historic preservation commission will be referred to as the HPC. The local historic preservation ordinance will be referred to as the preservation ordinance.

Name and Address of individual completing this form:



City of Auburn

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1. Have any amendments been made to the CLG's preservation ordinance?

Yes No

If yes, submit a copy of the revised ordinance and briefly explain below why the ordinance was changed.

2. Has the HPC adopted any review policies related to interpretation of the preservation ordinance?

Yes No

If yes, please list the topic of the policy, i.e. aluminum siding, demolition, etc.

3. Did the HPC receive an official opinion for the state Attorney General office or state Ethics Commission during FY12?

Yes No

If yes, please attach copy of opinion.

4. List the officers of the HPC for the past year.

Charles "Matt" Mosley, AICP, Senior Planner
James Weaver, Planning Technician

5. Have the rules of procedure for the HPC changed?

Yes No

If yes, attach a copy of the revised rules of procedure.

6. Have the bylaws of the HPC changed?

_____ Yes No

If yes, attach a copy of the revised bylaws.

7. The HPC is required to be represented at one annual training meeting provided or approved by the AHC. Training opportunities provided and/or promoted by AHC during fiscal year 2011 include:

ACE Community Kickoff and Alabama Leadership Network Conference in Montgomery: October 5-6, 2011
Senator Sessions workshop on Preserving Rural Alabama in Florence: November 16, 2011
Turning the Past into Dollars: Economic Development through Preservation & Heritage Tourism: May 9, 2012 in Birmingham; May 10, 2012 in Prattville; May 11, 2012 in Orange Beach
Annual Preservation Conference in Birmingham: May 10-12, 2012
Your Town Alabama workshop in Nauvoo: May 30-June 1, 2012
Rosenwald School Conference in Tuskegee: June 14-16, 2012
Designing After Disaster Workshop in Birmingham: June 19, 2012
NAPC Forum in Norfolk, Virginia: July 19-22, 2012
On-site training provided by AHC staff or other preservation professional

Provide names of HPC or architectural review board members who attended one or more of the workshops. Please provide agenda for meetings not listed above attended by HPC or architectural review board members to fulfill historic preservation training requirement. To document on-site training for the commission provided by AHC staff or other preservation professional, please provide date of training and name(s) of personnel.

8. Is the CLG contact responsible for the operations of the HPC?

Yes _____ No

If no, who is the paid city staff member with these responsibilities?

9. Specify the percentage of time the CLG contact spends on HPC issues.

Twenty percent (20%)

10. What is the regular schedule for HPC meetings? List below any unscheduled meeting dates held during fiscal year 2012.

Regular HPC meetings are held every second Tuesday of the month.

11. Was public notice provided for all regular and special meetings of the HPC?

Yes _____ No

12. Where are the minutes of each meeting kept on file?

In the office of the CLG Contact in the Planning Department and online at www.auburnalabama.org/hpc

13. Did the CLG receive a Historic Preservation Fund grant from the AHC during the past fiscal year under the CLG program?

Yes No

If yes, what was the amount and title of the project?

Training at the National Alliance for Preservation - \$1,200

14. How many properties are recorded in the local inventory? *The local inventory includes properties documented through a historic resources survey, National Register listings and/or Alabama Register listings. These properties are not always designated by local governing authority for regulation. Contact Mary Shell (334-230-2691) if you need assistance compiling this information.*

TOTAL NUMBER LISTED IN INVENTORY 18 resources and three districts

NATIONAL REGISTER		<i>Resource</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>List date</i>
	<i>Individual Resources</i>	Auburn Players Theater	College Street and Thach Avenue	May 22, 1977
		Burton Robert Wilton House	315 East Magnolia (moved to Opelika 7/93)	May 8, 1980
		Cullars Rotation	Woodfield Dr East of US29	April 18, 2003
		Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church	Thach Ave and Auburn Dr	April 21 1975
		Noble Hall	Shelton Mill Rd north of East University	March 24, 1972
		Old Rotation	Auburn University, south of Lem Morrison Dr	Jan 14, 1988
		President's Mansion	277 West Thach Ave, Auburn University	Aug 29, 2003
		Scott-Yarbrough House	101 Debardeleben St.	April 16, 1975
		US Post Office	144 Tichenor Ave	June 21, 1983
		Sunny Slope	1031 S. College St.	March 12, 2009
	<i>Districts</i>	Auburn University Historic District	Auburn University Campus	June 3, 1976
		Old Main and Church Street Historic District	North of Downtown Auburn	Oct 19, 1978

ALABAMA REGISTER		<i>Resource</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>List date</i>
	<i>Individual</i>	Auburn Depot	Mitcham Street	Jan 25, 1977

	<i>Resources</i>			
		Auburn University Fisheries Research Units (Lower Ponds)	AL Hwy 147 just beyond Saugahatchee Creek	Feb 15, 1977
		Baptist Hill Cemetery	Dean and Old Mill Rds	Jan 12, 1994
		Burton Robert Wilton House	315 East Magnolia (moved to Opelika 7/93)	Jan 29, 1980
		Halliday-Cary-Pick House	360 N College Street	June 19, 1976
		Lane House (Auburn Women's Club)	712 Sanders Street	Dec 19, 1991
		"Old Nancy"	Mell Street, Auburn University	April 14, 1978
		Pine Hill Cemetery	Armstrong Street	Jan 31, 1978
		"Pinetucket" (Foster Home)	747 Wire Road	May 25, 1977
		Sunny Slope	1031 South College Street	August 2008

		<i>Resource</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>List date</i>
LOCAL	<i>Districts</i>	North College Historic District	North College Street, North Gay Street, Drake Avenue, Mitcham Avenue, Bragg Avenue, Warrior Court	March 21, 2006

15. How many of the total number of properties on the local inventory were added during fiscal year 2012.

AMOUNT ADDED 0

16. How many sites in your community are documented on Alabama Archaeological site forms? How many were completed during the past year? *These site forms are used by professional archaeologists to document prehistoric and historic sites. The University of Alabama's Office of Archaeological Research at Moundville maintains these records. This office can provide number of sites recorded in your municipality. Contact Information: Eugene M. Futato, ASSF Coordinator, 205-371-2266 or email efutato@bama.ua.edu. Since a fee is now being charged for this information, please submit this information every three years to keep you commission aware of the number of sites indentified in your area. You can contact Mary Shell to determine when you last provided this information.*

TOTAL NUMBER SITE FORMS 20

AMOUNT COMPLETED FY12 _____ 0 _____

17. Is the historic properties inventory accessible to the public?

Yes No

18. Where is the inventory kept on file?

In the office of the CLG Contact in the Planning Department. With regard to the local register, we also have an interactive map at <http://www.auburnalabama.org/hpc/>

19. How many landmarks and/or districts did the HPC **recommend to the local governing body to be designated** as historic properties with required review of future work on properties for compliance with local design guidelines?

AMOUNT DESIGNATED _____ 0 _____

20. How many of these did the **local governing body designate** as historic properties through local ordinance?

AMOUNT DESIGNATED _____ 0 _____

Attach the **city council ordinance designating** the landmark(s) and/or district(s) and a map with local historic district or landmark boundaries.

21. Were applicants for local designation provided written notification of the local governing body's decision?

N/A Yes No

22. Where is this document filed?

N/A

23. Did the HPC submit any National Register nominations to the AHC during the past year?

Yes No

Attach the title page of all National Register nominations submitted to the AHC during the past year.

24. Did the HPC obtain the professional assistance of individual(s) outside its membership to review any National Register nominations?

Yes No

If so, list the name of the individual(s) and the property where their assistance was needed.

25. Did the HPC include information on properties nominated to the National Register during FY12 on their meeting agenda(s) in order to receive public input and provide comments to the AHC on the nomination? *CLGs are required to officially comment on National Register nominations and provide the AHC's Survey and Registration Division with meeting minutes to document the comments before the nomination can be reviewed by the State National Register Review Board and submitted to the National Park Service for official listing within the National Register.*

Yes No

26. Where is the documentation kept on file?

N/A

27. Has the HPC or Architectural Review Board adopted general design standards?

Yes No

If the standards were developed or revised within this fiscal year, submit a copy with this annual report.

28. How many applications for Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) were submitted to the Commission or Board during the past year?

Three (3)

29. How many applications for Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) were denied by the Commission or Board during the past year?

Zero (0)

30. How many denied applications were appealed?

N/A

31. What were the estimated expenditures for development of the approved projects during the past year? *This information can typically be obtained from the building permits for these projects or the information can be collected on the COA application.*

\$20,000

32. Does the CLG keep a record of all applications for COA and requests for approval of routine maintenance?

Yes No

33. Has an expedited procedure for approval of routine maintenance to historically designated properties been adopted by the CLG?

Yes No

If yes, attach a copy if not previously submitted.

How many expedited COAs were issued?

Three (3)

34. Has the CLG participated in any federal historic preservation tax credit projects during the past year?

Yes No If yes, attach a list of projects.

35. Describe below any historic preservation education programs conducted by the CLG during the past year.

N/A

36. Did the CLG develop any comprehensive preservation planning documents such as the formulation of architectural or preservation guidelines or preservation management plans?

Yes No

If yes, attach a copy.

37. Provide the following attachments:

A copy of the annual report submitted by the HPC to the local governing body

An up-to-date list of HPC members and, if applicable, Architectural Review Board members. If your members will allow us to maintain their email addresses, we will include them on information about training opportunities. This is voluntary and can be provided with this report or on an individual basis.

Resumes of any new HPC or architectural review board members appointed during FY12.

Chairman, Historic Preservation Commission

Date

CLG Contact

Date

REVIEWED BY:

Date