

MINUTES OF
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

February 12, 1992
City Council Chambers

Roll Call - The following Commissioners were present: Pat May, Elroy King, Dave Kammerman, Eric Gleason, Gladys Seufert, and Ken Farner.

Absent - Colleen Schafroth

Staff present: Scott Keillor and Kay Prouty.

Guest: John Will and Don Carpenter, Civic Renovation Committee

Minutes - Commissioner May moved to approve the minutes of the January 22nd meeting and Commissioner Gleason seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion

Jude Davis, 420 East Scenic Drive, request to consider lighting the Pioneer Cemetery because of vandalism.

Jude Davis said she purchased the house at 420 East Scenic Drive in March 1991 and her home has been broken into twice since the date of purchase. Jude explained she had PUD install a yard light at her residence and the vandalism has stopped. Jude said her property borders Pioneer Cemetery and she has noticed several head stones have been turned over recently. Jude said there are a lot of kids crossing the cemetery. Jude also said the cemetery is very dark and there is a lot of activity in the cemetery at night.

Jude Davis said she had requested an estimate from PUD for lighting the cemetery. PUD estimated that to light the cemetery into all corners it would take four poles and an estimated monthly cost of \$62.00. Jude said she would be willing to try to get sponsors to assist in paying for the monthly billing.

Scott Keillor said Pioneer Cemetery is a local landmark and it is appropriate for Historical Landmarks Commission to go to City Council to request help from the City to help pay for the lighting and maintenance of the cemetery.

Elroy King asked if the lights would bother the neighborhood. He said possibly an effort should be made to get the residence from that neighborhood involved in the project of lighting Pioneer Cemetery.

Scott said that he would go to the PUD Office and check into

lighting the cemetery. Scott suggested that the Commission should all visit the cemetery and then a public hearing could be held in March. The neighbors would all be notified of the hearing date and the request for lighting of Pioneer Cemetery. Possibly at that time we could get the neighbors involved. Scott said it is important to follow all the steps before presenting the request for assistance from the City to the City Council.

Satellite Dish proposed atop City Hall for Fire Department

Scott explained the Fire Department, represented by Bob Palmer had requested permission to place a satellite dish on top of City Hall to be used for training of firemen. Scott said the request did not need Commission approval but asked if any Commissioner had any comments or concerns about placing the dish. Scott said that Bob Palmer had assured him the dish was not visible from the street. Also the dish will be mounted with ballast instead of being bolted to the building.

There were no objections from the Commission.

Nomination of the French House, 515 Liberty, to the National Registry of Historic Properties.

The Commission members agreed by consensus to support a proposal to nominate the French House to the National Registry of Historic Properties. The Commission noted some problems with some of the historical data in the nomination form.

Pat May said in Section 8 page 4 in the first paragraph, the assertion that the French & Company Bank closure resulted when "a run caused heavy withdrawals that depleted their available resources below the legal limit" was an error. Pat said she remembers that the closure of the bank was caused by the loss of the market for apples in England.

Scott Keillor suggested we should have documentation to show that there are in fact errors in the information of the registration form for the French House to legitimize any such comments to SHPO.

Elroy King said he approved of the nomination of the French House to the National Register of Historic Places.

Scott said he would write a letter to SHPO with approval from the Historic Landmarks Commission for the Nomination of the French House to the National Register. Scott said he would express the Commissions concerns about possible errors in the information about the History of the building.

WORKSHOP

Scott said it is important the Local Historic Landmarks Commission make application to be certified by the state. Scott

said being certified by the state gives the Local Historic Landmark Commission more opportunity to receive grants.

Scott asked that all the Commission members need to submit their resume by February 21st. He will then get all the information together and submit a request to the state for the Local Historic Landmarks to become certified. After all the paperwork is submitted then we would be able to apply for 1993 funds.

GOAL SETTING/RE-EVALUATION

Scott reviewed the goals set by the Commission on June 27, 1990 and asked if the Commission had any comments or changes for 1992.

The following changes were suggested:

Short Term Goals

Change #1 to read "Hold a hearing to light Pioneer Cemetery, and express concerns about the lack of maintenance at the cemetery".

Make #3 "Get historic district signage on freeway" a long term goal.

Delete #5 "Meet the Planning Director at the next regular meeting".

Long Term Goals

Add the words "and Comprehensive Plan" to #2 to read "Bring local historic list and Comprehensive Plan up to date".

DEPARTMENT REPORT

Pat May asked why there was a delay in making a decision on the 6th Street By-Pass.

Scott Keillor said a decision will be made on the 18th of February by the City Council.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Scott Keillor
Associate Planner

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Short Term Goals

1. Hold a hearing to light Pioneer Cemetery and express lack of maintenance at the Pioneer Cemetery.
2. Become a local certified government.
3. Establish working relationship with the Visitor and Convention Bureau.
4. Appear before City Council and stress the importance of the historic resource to the community.

Long Term Goals

1. Designate Central Business District as a local historic district.
2. Bring local historic list and Comprehensive plan up to date.
3. Designate Trevitts Addition as local and National Historic District.
4. Review Fourth Street for protection status.
5. Ordinance update.
6. Get historic district signage on freeway.

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