

**CITY OF WEST LINN  
HISTORIC RESOURCES ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES**

**Tuesday, August 5, 2008**

Members Present: Charles Awalt, Sandy Carter, Gail Holmes

Members Absent: David Banash, Tom Neff

Staff Present: Tom Soppe, Associate Planner; Bryan Brown, Planning Director

Guests Present: Nick Dunston, Vickie Dunston, John Goetze, Anne Goetze, Charlie Hatch, Laurie Hatch, Nathan Wearick, Pam Yokibitis, Nicholas Yokibitis

Agenda Topics: Centennial webpage guest speaker, Willamette nomination outreach update, consultant update, Grindstones Project update, fire station update

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Holmes called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

**2. MINUTES OF JUNE 3 AND JULY 1, 2008**

A motion was made and approved to approve these minutes.

**3. CENTENNIAL WEBPAGE GUEST SPEAKER**

The speaker was not able to attend, so this item was tabled.

**4. WILLAMETTE NOMINATION OUTREACH UPDATE**

Mr. Soppe reported that Ian Johnson at SHPO has everything he needs for the nomination submittal, and that Mr. Johnson confirmed this to Mr. Soppe. Mr. Soppe reported that SHPO plans to do their mailing to district property owners soon and put notice in the Tidings. Mr. Awalt said that some residents were concerned about the nomination already having been turned in without their input. Mr. Brown and Mr. Soppe said that Ruth Offer and Terry Loriaux needed to get back to them about what input they got as part of the outreach effort. Mr. Brown emphasized that resident outreach was not asked for in a way that would have provided more outreach input before the submittal due to timing issues, and that outreach was done in this short timeframe because HRAB wanted to get the nomination in for the October hearing. Staff emphasize also that the October meeting is when residents have a chance to have a voice to the decision makers. Members expressed concern about how hopefully processes like this will go more smoothly in the future when members and staff are more experienced, and hoped that there would be better communication among members, staff, the community, and consultants in future efforts.

Mr. Awalt said he would have liked to have seen both sides of the commercial block on Willamette Falls Drive included, and he had thought Mr. Johnson had been supportive of this idea. Members discussed the meeting where the currently nominated boundary was settled on with the consultants as the most expansive possible boundary, but members also discussed how it seemed including the north side would be unlikely to kill the nomination in terms of its percentage of contributing properties. There was discussion of how to proceed regarding the concern about the north side of Willamette Falls Drive and whether the nomination hearing should be postponed from fall to spring because of this. It was decided that this should be discussed with Mr. Johnson as a possibility, in the context of whether it would strengthen the nomination and appropriately protect the north side of Willamette Falls Drive. Concerns were also raised as to whether this could be added appropriately with enough information, within the budget for this project.

## **5. CONSULTANT UPDATE**

Mr. Soppe presented copies of the two new proposals, from Andrews History Group and Entrix, as well as the proposal by Libby Provost and Sara Paulson reviewed last month. Members compared the three proposals and weighed the perceived pros and cons of each. Members discussed whether the decision should be postponed until the two absent members had a chance to weigh in, and how their weighing in, if included, should be dealt with since they had not gotten to be part of the discussion at this meeting. HRAB voted 2-1 to proceed with the decision tonight. HRAB then voted 2-1 to select Andrews History Group. Staff agreed to contact the consultants and get the contract done and signed as soon as possible.

## **6. GRINDSTONES PROJECT UPDATE**

Ms. Carter reported that the Grindstones Project members had seen three presentations from three different artists, and that they would be recommending the City Council choose artist John Gibson of Tucson for the Grindstones Project sculpture, which will be at the greenway trailhead in Willamette Park.

## **7. FIRE STATION UPDATE**

Mr. Soppe said that neither fire station design review application had been applied for yet, but that he anticipated these would probably come soon. Members discussed whether the Section 106 process would be needed, at least for the Bolton station due to the presence of the historic landmark house. Staff agreed to talk to SHPO about whether they interpret the Section 106 law to conclude that TVFR should or should not have to go through this process.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Holmes adjourned the meeting at 9:02.

**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF  
AUGUST 5, 2008**

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Doc Date</b>	<b>Document Description</b>	<b>Document Number</b>
5	Proposal for Historic Property Inventory Work	July 31, 2008	Andrews History Group proposal for 2008-9 CLG grant work	080805HRAB01
5	Proposal for Historic Preservation Inventory Work and Conservation District Formation for the City of West Linn	July 31, 2008	Entrix Environmental Consultants proposal for 2008-9 CLG grant work	080805HRAB02
5	Proposal for Historic Preservation Inventory Work	July 2008	Libby Provost and Sara Paulson's proposal for 2008-9 CLG grant work	080805HRAB03
N/A	Willamette Falls Locks and Surrounding Area	2008	Aerial photo map and description of Willamette Falls Locks and surrounding buildings and features	080805HRAB04

MINUTES APPROVED:

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Gail Holmes, Chair

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