



Approved Minutes  
**Historic Preservation Board – Special Meeting**  
 (Approved on Jan. 23, 2014. Motion made by Dane Astle and seconded by Bernard Dawson).

**Date:** December 12, 2013

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Location:** 57 E. Frist Street, Lower Level Council Chambers

Members Present	Members Absent	Staff Present	Guests
Clara Ziervogel, Chair Bernard Dawson Dane Astle Michelle Dahlke James Taylor	Wendy Mack-Allred, Vice Chair Pamela Young	John Wesley Julie Smiley	Linda Spencer – Resident Virginia Rogers – Resident Donna Benge; Resident Haydee Dawson; Resident Vic Linoff; Mesa Preservation Foundation

**1) Call meeting to order**

Chair Ziervogel called the meeting order at 6:00 p.m.

**2) Approval of the September 26 and October 26, 2013 minutes**

Board Action: The September 26, 2013 minutes were unanimously approved with no changes. First Motion made by Board member Taylor, and seconded by Board member Astle. Motion carried 5-0.

Board Action: The October 26, 2013 minutes were unanimously approved with no changes. First Motion made by Board member Astle, and seconded by Board member Taylor. Motion carried 5-0.

**3) Discuss status of efforts to establish historic district(s) or landmark(s) for:**

**a. 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and Pasadena/1<sup>st</sup> Methodist Church**

Mr. Wesley provided a handout outlining the SHPO work that Vice Chair (VC) Mack-Allred has assisted with the First United Methodist Church. He noted that more documentation is needed before moving forward with the national nomination.

**b. Washington Park-Escobedo**

This item was not discussed.

**c. Downtown**

This item was not discussed.

**d. Westside/Clark**

This item was not discussed.

**e. Sherwood**

This item was not discussed.

**f. Buckhorn Baths**

Chair Ziervogel noted how well the City's website is being updated on the property status, and how the Brownfield's Grant information is now displayed at the property site.

**4) Update on the historic highway signage for former US Highways 60, 70, 80, and 89 on Main Street**

This item was reviewed and discussed.

Mrs. Dawson noted the sign application has been accepted, and to anticipate the money to be dispersed in February. She will provide more information at the January meeting. Ms. Benge noted once the money is received the signs could be printed and installed. She also noted that Phoenix and Tempe have expressed interest for the historic signage in their areas.

Mrs. Dawson requested any other possible applications be submitted to her no later than the week of December 23, 2013 to ensure the January 28, 2014 deadlines are met. Also, VC Mack-Allred has submitted the application for the Pasadena area survey. Mrs. Dawson will email staff a list of the applied applications for record.

**5) Update on the proposed Interpretive Historic Panels – Light Rail Stations**

This item was reviewed and discussed.

Mr. Linoff gave an update noting the preliminary design work continues with Valley Metro. A timetable has been established for the Historic Preservation Foundation to provide the final images and text for approval beginning in February through May starting with the Sycamore panel.

Chair Ziervogel mentioned that Valley Metro has provided some flexibility on the panel layouts for each stop throughout this process. Also noting, Mesa will be the first to include the QR Codes that will be linked to the Mesa Historical Museum for more information.

Board member Taylor asked if the panels have any certain standards set by Valley Metro. Mr. Linoff responded noting Valley Metro does have some conservative constraints; however Mesa will differ by having a postcard theme reoccurring throughout all the panels.

**6) Review submissions for the 2013-2014 student writing contest and determine process for selecting winners**

This item was reviewed and discussed.

Three essay submissions were received. Board member Dahlke noted the lack of submissions and suggested to begin advertising in the spring, and possibly limiting to specific classes.

The Board brainstormed ideas for future contests at which Board member Dahlke noted she will contact the schools Social Studies coordinators for help.

The Board agreed to distribute the essays for review, and to judge the essays at the January meeting. Chair Ziervogel would like to have the students attend the February or March Council meeting, and requested full Board participation at the meeting. The assigned essays are as follows:

Board member Dahlke – A new name  
Board member Dawson – Falcon Field's dream  
Board member Taylor – Will it ever end  
Board member Astle – review all three submissions

**7) Review, discuss and provide comments on the draft General Plan 2040**

This item was reviewed and discussed.

Mr. Wesley gave an update and discussed some highlighted revisions to the General Plan. The goal is to have the update on the November 2014 public ballot. Mr. Wesley asked the Board to provide their input now before the plan goes final as the comments are currently only at the Boards level.

The Board discussed, commented and provided suggestions. One idea discussed for consideration was the creation of a Conservation District, and could there be any possible protections without having to become a historic district. Mr. Linoff suggested naming a Conservation District a Heritage Resource Neighborhood or Area. Another idea was to have the application process roll up to a historic and/or national district. Mr. Wesley will take these considerations forward for review and possibly incorporating into a Zoning Ordinance if necessary.

**8) Dollar and Sense – A Preservation Primer presentation by Vic Linoff**

This item was reviewed and discussed.

Mr. Linoff provided a Power Point presentation that reviewed the various styles of homes throughout Mesa, criteria/requirements needed in order to achieve district status, as well as evaluation and designation processes.

An open discussion took place amongst the group. Chair Ziervogel asked Board members Astle and Taylor to prepare a concise presentation for the Board using some of the materials from Mr. Linoff's and Board member Young's presentations. Board member Taylor requested this item be revisited for further review/discussion at the January meeting.

**9) Updates on Museums, Exhibits, Committees and Events related to Historic Preservation**

This item was not discussed.

**10) Board Member comments, questions, and future agenda items**

This item was reviewed and discussed.

It was agreed to add agenda item of a Downtown presentation by David Short, and an update from Mrs. Dawson on the historic sign application status.

Chair Ziervogel welcomed and thanked the guests for attending the meeting.

**11) Adjournment**

Chair Ziervogel adjourned the meeting at 7:45 pm.

First Motion made by Board member Dawson, and seconded by Board member Taylor.  
Motion carried 5-0.

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