

LANDMARKS AND HERITAGE ADVISORY BOARD

August 27, 2020 Meeting Minutes

ZOOM Meeting

6000 Main Street SW

Lakewood, WA 98499

"The mission of the City of Lakewood Landmarks and Heritage Advisory Board is to preserve, protect and promote the unique heritage and historic resources of the City of Lakewood"

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Mr. Glen Spieth, Chair.

MEETING PROTOCOL

Roll Call

Landmarks & Heritage Advisory Board Members Present: Glen Spieth, Bill Elder, Joan Cooley, and Beth Campbell

Landmarks & Heritage Advisory Board Members Excused: None

Landmarks & Heritage Advisory Board Members Absent: None

Council Liaison to LHAB is Councilmember John Simpson (not present)

Staff Present: Courtney Brunell, Planning Manager

Acceptance/Changes to Agenda

No changes were made to the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on February 27, 2020 were approved as written by voice vote, M/S/C Elder/Campbell. Motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously, 4-0.

Announcements

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

REPORTS BY HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER OR STAFF

Preparing for the Remainder of 2020

Ms. Courtney Brunell informed board members she is taking leave to return in March 2021. Mr. Ramon Rodriguez, Associate Planner, was introduced stating he would attend meetings in the interim as lead staff person. Mr. Rodriguez will assist the group to continue work on current 2020 work plan items as well as help in developing the 2021 work plan.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Historic Street Signs Program

Ms. Courtney Brunell provided picture examples of the new brown street name signs designating historic roadways throughout Lakewood. A map was shared indicating the affected roads and intersections. Two street names will remain the same (as they are currently) due to the fact no other historic names were found during research attempts. The new street names are as follows:

Bridgeport Way SW – will remain the same name with no historic name

Motor Avenue SW – will remain the same name with no historic name

Hipkins Road – will be shown as Prairie Road

Lakeview Avenue SW - (and the 4 intersections of Lakeview & 100th St SW, 100th & Gravelly Lk Dr SW and Gravelly & Steilacoom Blvd) will all be shown as Old Tacoma Speedway (to show the original racetrack)

Pacific Highway SW – will be shown as Historic Highway 99

Steilacoom Blvd SW - will be shown as Byrd Mill Road

Lakewood is currently under contract with Pierce County for signal technician work and has arranged for installation of the 64 historic street name signs to be installed in the spring and summer of 2021.

Ms. Brunell shared a streamlined 2021 Preservation Grant cycle schedule then proposed that the board apply for the next grant to cover costs of installation as the resolution approval appropriating funds is set for March 2021.

NEW BUSINESS

City Council LHAB Joint Meeting on Monday September 14, 2020 at 7:00 PM

LHAB board members meet with Council once a year to update their progress on current work plan items as well as discuss and receive input on next year's ideas.

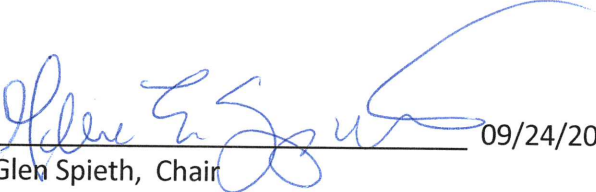
Ms. Brunell reviewed with members the status of each of the nine 2020 work plan items as follows:

- Implement a historic streets recognition program.
Signs have been ordered, currently being stored at City facilities. Board is applying for a second grant to fund installation of signs in 2021.
- Continue work with Clover Park School District to incorporate local Lakewood History into the Curriculum.
Board has interest in developing a pop-up museum once school is attended in person. Staff is unable to connect with Clover Park School District and discuss curriculum due to Covid-19.
- Research grant opportunities to fund additional historic markers throughout the City of Lakewood.
Current focus is on applying for funding to complete the historic streets recognition program.
- Update the Lakewood Historical Touring Map to include historic streets identified through the recognition program.
Board discussed in January and February. Will resume discussion and update map once the signs have been installed.
- Work with Pretty Gritty Tours to develop a walking tour program for the City of Lakewood.
Project on hold at this time.

- Develop frequently asked questions (FAQs) to be published on the LHAB website.
Board will compile a list of questions and answers during the 4th quarter of 2020. Ramon Rodriguez will organize posting onto the City website.
- Explore the use of the Community Landmark designation for the Colonial Center, Western State Hospital, Rhodesleigh House, Villa Carmen (Madera), the Flett House, Little Church on the Prairie, Thornewood Castle, Mueller-Harkins Hangar, Tacoma Country and Golf Club, the "H" Barn at Fort Steilacoom Park, and the Alan Liddle House.
Discussions have been occurring with Thornewood Castle owners, they may be interested in becoming a designated Lakewood Landmark. This is another potential focus for 4th quarter 2020. Members plan to reach out to different properties and discuss the landmark designation.
- Recruitment of new members to serve on the LHAB.
Board is continuously seeking recruits.
- Actively engage with the City of Lakewood Youth Council.
There is interest in having LHAB co-host a meeting to discuss Lakewood history with Youth Council. A Youth Council liaison will be assigned to the board and encouraged to participate.

Next Meeting The regular monthly meeting is set for Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 6:00 PM.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

 09/24/2020
Glen Spieth, Chair
Landmarks & Heritage Advisory Board

 09/24/2020
Karen Devereaux, Recording Secretary to the
Landmarks & Heritage Advisory Board