

**OREGON STATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION
MEETING MINUTES
Brookside Inn & Suites
2020 Leigh Way
White City, OR 97503
June 16-17, 2016**

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Deb Schallert-Chair, Robert Hadlow-Vice-Chair, Stephen Dow Beckham, Teara Farrow Ferman, Mary Gallagher, Mary Oberst, Julie Osborne, and Mark Tveskov.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Don Peting

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Chrissy Curran-Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, Ian Johnson-Associate Deputy SHPO, Diana Painter-Architectural Historian, Jason Allen-Historian, and Tracy Zeller-Program Assistant.

STAFF MEMBERS ABSENT

None

GUESTS AND PROPONENTS

Craig Horrell, Crist Hetzel, Jenny Hill, Lisa Lee, Shon Rae, and Chris Horting-Jones for COID Multiple Property Document (MPD), Nyla Jebousek for the Nyla Jebousek House, Kuri Gill and William Chang to discuss the proposed Diamonds in the Rough and Preserving Oregon Grants, George Kramer and David Schillinger for the Camp White Station Hospital Administration Building, Rob Mawson, Nancy LaPaglia, Craig Kiest, Vonda and Walter Mobery for Holden House, Pastor JW Matt Hennesy, Raymond Burrell, Mary Donald, Monica Landor, Russell Landor, RJ Landor, Mary Helen Marino, Bertha Watson, Fayne West, Twauna Allen, Charnell Simpson, D'Shae Simson, Fannie Woodson, Lareda Allen, Rosie Johnson, Maytrone Clayborn, Lois Jackson, and Sylvia Stephens for the Vancouver Avenue Baptist Church.

PUBLIC MEETING BEGAN AT 1:15 pm

OPENING REMARKS AND INTRODUCTIONS

Ms. Schallert called the meeting to order and stated the role of the State Advisory Committee on Historic Preservation (SACHP). All committee members and staff introduced themselves.

DISCUSSION OF ISSUES OF INTEREST AND CONCERN TO THE PUBLIC NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Painter noted the agenda has been amended to have the Eagle Point Cemetery to be heard on day 1, and the Camp White Station Hospital Administration Building will be heard on day 2. Mr. Hadlow moved to approve the changes. Mr. Dow Beckham seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Mr. Hadlow moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Ms. Gallagher seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

UPDATE FROM THE DEPUTY SHPO AND ASSOCIATE DEPUTY SHPO

Ms. Curran noted that the 2016 Oregon Heritage Conference, which took place in Salem at the State Capitol Building in May, was a huge success, and many of the attendees loved the opportunity to explore the Capitol Building, as they had never been there before, or not since they were a child. Ms. Curran also noted that the conference will be changing to take place every other year from here on out; however the excellence awards will still be every year. Ms. Curran thanked Mr. Robert Hadlow for his service to the State Advisory Committee on Historic Preservation (SACHP) as his term with the committee has expired, and welcomed Ms. Julie Osborne to the committee to replace Ms. Gail Sargent, whose term expired earlier this year. Ms. Curran informed the committee of a couple new employees with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO); they are, Jessica Gabriel, Historic Preservation Specialist/106 Compliance, and Katie Henry, Heritage Outreach Specialist. Ms. Curran announced that Kyle Jansson, the staff coordinator for the Oregon Heritage Commission (OHC), for the past 13 years, and an employee of the SHPO is retiring on June 30th and his position recruitment will be going out in July. Ms. Curran mentioned that the OHC celebrated its 20th anniversary this year, and the National Historic Preservation Act turned 50 this year. To celebrate these, the SHPO is reissuing the Heritage Playing Cards that were issued a couple years ago. She also stated that the SHPO employees will be having their first SHPO Staff Retreat at the end of June at Silver Falls State Park to discuss where the SHPO is headed in the next decade based on where the SHPO has been, and where they would like to go.

Mr. Johnson discussed the new proposed Goal 5 Land Use Rules, which covers open space, historic resources, etc. Goal 5 was re-written in the early 1990's and tied it to the National Register of Historic Places (NR) and local control. The new rules would provide a general protection standard across the state that would be universally applied. Currently, the interpretation as to how to apply those two pieces varies drastically from city to city, and therefore, a lot of agencies have come to a stall. The proposed rewrite of the rules will provide better standards across the board, and the SHPO was brought in early as advisors. The topics being considered for a rewrite are: define what an owner is, specify under what circumstances someone can remove a property from the NR for properties listed in the NR going forward, and each property will also need to be listed on a local listing if there is one within the city or county.

REVIEW OF PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR LISTING ON THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

Irrigation Projects in Oregon, 1850-1978

Statewide, Multiple Counties

Concern from the committee was expressed around the scale and ambition of the MPD in its subject matter, and suggested that it be scaled back and that a regional approach, with separate MPD's for eastern, western, and central Oregon be written. The committee asked about the detail of the survey that informed the MPD; it was suggested that the MPD could be made more manageable by focusing on the second and third contexts provided in the MPD, which both focused on federally-related projects. It was stated by committee members that Section F should be expanded for property types. These were followed by recommendations on organization and factual content of Section E historic

contexts identified in the MPD, providing additional historical detail that they felt would improve the contextual data.

Mr. Dow Beckham moved to table this nomination until a later date so that revisions may be made. Ms. Oberst seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Central Oregon Canal: Brasada Ranch Segment

Powell Butte vicinity, Crook County

The Committee was advised that the nomination for the Central Oregon Canal: Brasada Ranch Segment was being withdrawn from consideration at that time due to the notification errors, but elected to hear the prepared introduction for information only. Discussion of the merits of the nomination was not held. Questions from the committee focused on the locations of contributing elements, and on public access to the nominated elements.

Pilot Butte Canal: Downtown Redmond Segment

Redmond vicinity, Deschutes County

The committee asked about the other uses of water that were alluded to, but not specifically identified by the nomination, and what resources, if any, were identified that might be eligible under National Register Eligibility Criterion D. Mr. Johnson noted that none specifically were identified, but that it was included because prior experience suggested that archaeological sites associated with the construction of these systems could exist. It was also requested that some clarifications on the maps be provided. The committee also asked if the canal would have water in it after nomination. In order to answer this question, Mr. Horrell was invited to provide the periods during which the canal was watered, a total of about six months of the year, at minimum, which is the current schedule. Mr. Horrell also listed other uses of the water in the system, beyond agricultural irrigation. Mr. Dow Beckham provided additional information on Charles Hutchinson, who is mentioned in the nomination. Concern was expressed that the nomination only included this segment of the more than 22 miles of canal, and the designation of the northern boundary based on property ownership. Mr. Johnson confirmed that the National Park Service (NPS) will accept segments of larger canal systems, as demonstrated by the earlier listing of another segment of Pilot Butte Canal. Mr. Johnson acknowledged the northern boundary question. It was expressed that the segment's length is indeed short, but that the location is important, and that not listing this segment may result in it being piped. Mr. Johnson reminded the committee that because the MPD under which the segment was nominated had been tabled, the nomination could not be recommended for nomination under the MPD.

Ms. Farrow Ferman moved to table this nomination until the MPD has been approved. Ms. Osborne seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Jebousek, Nyla L, House

Newport, Lincoln County

The committee discussed how properties being listed under Criterion Consideration G (properties that have gained significance within the last 50 years), are the most difficult to nominate, as these nominations need to have a stronger argument for listing than the typical nomination so that the NPS will understand why they are especially significant. Compared to other nominations prepared under Criterion Consideration G, there are a number of pieces that are missing from this nomination. It is lacking a historic context for land use laws in Oregon, and how the Newport Comprehensive Plan changes fit in this historic context. The nomination also does not compare the achievements of the attorney with the achievements of other law professionals. The committee questioned how to compare unique case law from a recent time without having a historic perspective of what the effects of those contributions have been. There are significant precedent-setting cases that do not

immediately give distinction to the attorney who has prosecuted them and therefore, the committee struggled with this Criterion Consideration G nomination. It was also noted that there is a lot of repetition within each of the sections, and it would have helped to have a historian write the nomination.

Ms. Schallert moved to deny forwarding to the Keeper of the National Register for listing under Criterion Consideration G for not meeting the requirements needed for listing. Ms. Oberst seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Eagle Point National Cemetery Eagle Point, Klamath County

The committee was impressed by this location and the approximate 19,000 burial sites, and the larger and local history of the area that the nomination addressed. The committee would, however, like to see more photos included in the nomination. The nomination indicates that in 1943 Camp White was the second largest city in the state, however, Camp Adair also claims the same thing; the nomination needs to address which one was actually the largest city. It was also stated that the Blue Star Memorial Markers description needs to be made stronger in the nomination.

Mr. Tveskov moved to forward to the Keeper of the National Register for listing under Criterion A. Ms. Gallagher seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:20 PM

June 17, 2016

Meeting started at 9:00 AM

Kuri Gill, Grant Coordinator for SHPO, gave a brief presentation on the Diamonds in the Rough and Preserving Oregon Grant applicants and to get a recommendation from the committee.

Diamonds in the Rough proposed grants

The Hollywood Theater - Portland, OR
Myrtle Creek Main Street Organization/Rio Theater – Myrtle Creek, OR
Diedrich Building – Stayton, OR
Competition Building – Ontario, OR
IOOF Building - Klamath Falls, OR

Mr. Dow Beckham moved to approve these preservation grants as described. Mr. Hadlow seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Preserving Oregon proposed grants

The Applegate House Heritage, Arts and Education – Yoncalla, OR
The Cottage Grove Armory - Cottage Grove, OR
The Drexel Hotel - Vale, OR
First Presbyterian Church – Astoria, OR
Pacific Railroad Preservation Association – Portland, OR
The Lindberg House - Port Orford, OR
The Rivoli Coalition - Pendleton, OR
Wallowa Forest Service Compound - Wallowa, OR

Ms. Oberst moved to approve these grants as described. Ms. Gallagher seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Camp White Station Hospital Administration Building

White City vicinity, Jackson County

The committee stated that they are happy that the Administration Building is being nominated, but would like to have at least a couple buildings nominated. They would also like to see the building listed with statewide significance for what World War II construction meant to the state of Oregon. Mr. Kramer stated that only the Administration Building is being nominated, as many of the other buildings will be torn down, or significantly altered in the future; particularly the buildings that do not provide direct patient care. He also stated there is a Memorandum of Agreement to demolish 23 of the properties over a 10-15 year period. The committee would like to see noted what the current use of the building is today. Some of the photos show that repairs have been done to the exterior, but there was no mention of that in the nomination. The committee would like this included in the nomination. There is also no mention of the other facility in Klamath Falls that had a couple thousand patients, and was the other major military medical facility in Oregon during World War II; they believe this should be noted in the nomination even though the facility is no longer there. The nomination also needs to focus on not just the positive aspects of the military at Camp White, but also the negative impacts to the area.

Ms. Gallagher moved to recommend forwarding this to the Federal Preservation Officer under Criterion A. Mr. Tveskov seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Holden, William B. House, Boundary Decrease

Portland, Multnomah County

The committee questioned the accuracy of the original nomination, as Hemmingway was misspelled throughout it, and also questioned whether this is actually a John Grant-designed rose garden. The original nomination also states that the Grant Garden was intact; however, that is not true, as the larger garden and water features were not there. It was stated that out of the four justifications available for a boundary decrease, three of them could be applied to this boundary decrease. They are: Justification A: professional error in the original nomination, Justification B: loss of historic integrity, and Justification D: additional research documenting that a larger or smaller area should be listed. The committee thought it was an error to include the landscape architecture in the original nomination, as the landscape c. 1930 and the landscape of 1999, when the nomination was written, look very different. The committee agreed the original nomination gave a false sense of the garden's integrity.

Mr. Hadlow moved to forward the boundary decrease to the Keeper of the National Register for Justification A, Justification B, and Justification D. Ms. Oberst seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church

Portland, Multnomah County

The committee was happy the church has been nominated, as it is important to Portland's African American history. They agreed that the major alterations and additions do not take away from the historic significance of the church, including the elevator silo on the back. The nomination should include when the Albina District became a part of Portland. It was stated that Mrs. Williams should be added as a person of significance, as she was just as important to the church and community as Reverend Williams. The committee would like to see a more in-depth discussion of

the original architect, and to note that Dr. King only came out west once, and this church and Portland State University, were the only places he visited.

Ms. Oberst moved to forward the nomination to the Keeper of the National Register for statewide significance under Criterion A and Criterion B. Ms. Farrow Ferman seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:00 PM