OREGON STATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION
MEETING MINUTES
The Laurelhurst Club
3721 SE Ankeny Street
Portland, OR 97214
October 19, 2018

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Deb Schallert-Chair, Dr. Stephen Dow Beckham, David Harrelson, Stephen Mark, Mary Oberst, Julie Osborne, Gwendolyn Trice, and Dr. Mark Tveskov

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Chrissy Curran-Deputy SHPO, Ian Johnson-Associate Deputy SHPO, Jason Allen-Historic Preservation Specialist, Robert Olguin, National Register Program Coordinator, and Tracy Collis-Program Assistant

STAFF MEMBERS ABSENT

None

GUESTS AND PROPONENTS

Charles O. Sigglin Flats: Chris Botero, Jessica Engeman, and Brandon Spencer-Hartle

Daniel C. and Katie A. McDonald House: Chris Botero, Jessica Engeman, and Brandon Spencer-Hartle


Central Oregon Canal Historic District: Craig Horrell, Matt Singer, Lisa Hiatt, Sean Hiatt, Suzanne Grund, Gary Grund, and Jenna Walden


General Interest: David Liberty, Kaitlyn Webber, Tracy Schwartz, Keme Franay,
Oregon-California Trails Association to request listing segments of the Oregon Trail: Gail C. Carbiener and Rich Herman

Previously reviewed proposed Eastmoreland Historic District: Beth Warner and Linda Girard

Lunchtime presentation: Kate Korneder and Tara Seaver

PRESENTATION

Mr. Olguin presented to the committee what a Multiple Property Submission (MPS) is, and to discuss the role they have with nominations.

PUBLIC MEETING BEGAN AT 9:10AM

OPENING REMARKS AND INTRODUCTIONS

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

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

Gail Carabiner from the Oregon-California Trails Association discussed protection of the Oregon Trail, and is currently working with four landowners to submit a nomination for the next SACHP meeting held in the City of North Bend for almost four miles of the Oregon Trail.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Oberst approved the agenda as submitted. Ms. Osborne seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Ms. Osborne approved the minutes as submitted. Ms. Oberst seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

UPDATE FROM THE DEPUTY AND ASSOCIATE DEPUTY STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

Ms. Curran noted there is progress with the Special Assessment Program to renew the program in the 2020 legislative session. It has been proposed to reauthorize the program for three years while SHPO works out the limitations of the program that have developed over time as a result of tax law changes and multiple other things. Ms. Curran is participating in a stakeholders group called by senator Dunbrow from the state legislature. She is interested in addressing the connection between the National Register of Historic Places (NR) and local land-use regulations.

Mr. Johnson discussed that the Review and Compliance position within the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) is currently vacant as Jessica Gabriel has accepted a position within the Oregon Parks & Recreation Department’s (OPRD) Natural Resources department. The SHPO also currently has a liaison from the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) working with the SHPO in reviewing all of ODOT’s projects. Mr. Johnson recently attended the American Planning Association Conference where he had the opportunity to discuss the Certified Local Government (CLG) programs, grants, and the new Goal 5 rule.

The Historic Advisory Review Committee (HARC) met earlier this week to discuss the Special Assessment program and current projects. November 2nd is the interagency meeting with state agencies and the tribes to discuss various issues and emergency preparedness.
Kiernan House
Portland, Multnomah County

Liz Carter, the nomination preparer, prepared a recorded statement for the property that was shared with the committee in favor of the property.

The committee felt this was a complicated house as it was moved and had an addition put on the house in the 1960’s, but agreed that this is not too much of a deterrent for listing, especially since the MPD states a moved building may still qualify for listing if there is enough remaining integrity. There were several areas of the nomination that needed to be added, or amended in the nomination, such as the addition on the house is noted in the text, but not on the map, so they would like it noted on the map as well. Page 4, the house appears to be on 10th Street, and not 12th Street; this needs to be corrected. Page 5 needs to note that the papered walls and plaster ceilings are new. Page 18 states the property was transferred for $10; this needs to be double-checked to make sure it is not a typo. Sections 7 and 8 need to be reduced to single paragraphs.

Ms. Oberst moved to forward the nomination to the Keeper of the National Register under Criterion A and C with amendments recommended by the committee. Ms. Trice seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Charles O. and Carrie C. Blakely House
Portland, Multnomah County

The committee appreciated that the alterations done on the outside of the house were in alignment with the integrity of the house that is outlined in the nomination. The committee also noted that the MPS greatly helped support the nomination. The committee only had minor edits to add to the nomination such as double-checking the spelling of Carrie’s name as it fluctuated between Carrie and Carie, as well as the spelling of Blakely. The maps need directional arrows included, double-check the construction date, add drawings and plans to the nomination. Include earlier in the nomination that Blakely is the builder as well as the designer, and double-check the construction dates of the property.

Ms. Trice moved to table the nomination until the above requested amendments have been made to the nomination. Ms. Oberst made a “friendly amendment” to forward the nomination to the Keeper of the National Register under Criterion C with the nomination being re-written to incorporate the additional information. Ms. Trice accepted Ms. Oberst’s amendment. Mr. Harrelson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Daniel C. and Katie A. McDonald House
Portland, Multnomah County

The committee loved this house, and appreciated getting the opportunity to tour the house before the meeting. The committee also appreciated how the addition in the back of the house blends well with the intention of the builder. The third sentence of the Summary Paragraph that states, “The immediate neighboring buildings are single-family homes of a similar scale and character” should be edited to say “Most of the immediately adjacent buildings” as there are several apartment complexes in the area. Several of the photo references in the nomination have inaccurate numbering, so these should be corrected.
Mr. Harrelson moved to forward the nomination to the Keeper of the National Register under Criterion C with amendments as recommended by the committee. Ms. Trice seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Charles O. Sigglin Flats
Portland, Multnomah County

The committee stated that the nomination is clearly written and informative and made its case, however this is not a typical foursquare house, and consideration should be taken as to whether to actually call it a foursquare, although the Multiple Property Document (MPD) states this is a foursquare home. The nomination also needs to include photographs in the Comparative Analysis section. Page 4 has a few typos, and page 16 states that architect Emil Schacht was born in 1854 in Schleswig-Holstein, Germany, however, at that time it was a duchy of Denmark, so that needs to be corrected. The nomination states that Charles O. Sigglin married Sofia Anderson of Detroit, MI in 1889, and in 1888 he moved to Portland, OR, with Sofia and their children, so these dates need to be double-checked.

Mr. Tveskov moved to forward the nomination to the Keeper of the National Register under Criterion C with amendments as recommended by the committee. Ms. Oberst seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

WORKING LUNCH PRESENTATION

Tara Seaver and Kate Kornder, spoke on behalf of their summer internship with the SHPO office working on a draft National Register nomination project for the Pietro Belluschi and Charles Wilson houses in Warm Springs, OR with a goal to get them listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Central Oregon Canal Historic District: Ward Road to Gosney Road
Unincorporated Deschutes County

Although this nomination has come before the committee twice before, with amendments being made each time, the committee felt this nomination needs more refinement before being forwarded to the NPS for listing. The committee would like to have construction dates for all features, with sources identified for such information (whether from the RLS or other, more in-depth or primary-sourced information), clarifications on whether elements are contributing or non-contributing and why (i.e., out of context, out of period, or lacking integrity), and to ensure that this information is consistently reported throughout the nomination. In addition, the committee felt that the maps should better identify the contributing and non-contributing features, and relate those clearly to the individual features within the nominated area. The committee requested that the recently-received substantially-pertinent comments from the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) be addressed and incorporated into the nomination, and that the flume remains are noted as a contributing feature in the nomination, are more appropriately reported as a contributing archaeological site, rather than as a structure. Although the nomination is quite lengthy, the BOR comments that pertain to shortening the nomination need not be addressed, and so concerns around staff significantly reducing the length and data included in the nomination without subsequent review by the SACHP become moot.

Ms. Osborne moved to forward to the nomination to the Keeper of the National Register under Criterion A with specific revisions and clarifications identified by the committee be made by staff. Mr. Dow Beckham seconded. Ms. Oberst, Mr. Harrelson, and Ms. Trice opposed. The motion passed 5-3.
Ms. Oberst announced her potential conflict of interest due to the fact that she lives in the Laurelhurst District, but stated she does not benefit or get a detriment if this passes or fails, and she has no prejudice on this nomination. Ms. Schallert asked the committee for an agreement that Ms. Oberst does not have a conflict and can proceed without prejudice. The committee unanimously agreed that she does not have a conflict of interest.

The committee discussed a paragraph on page 29 that talks about covenants, and requested that this discussion be expanded in the nomination. One example of expanding the discussion in the nomination is the quote that states, “to sell a certain lifestyle as exemplified by Laurelhurst”. This quote in particular implied that Laurelhurst was a white neighborhood and was created to exclude certain lifestyles. The nomination needs to clarify what those certain lifestyles are.

Mr. Tveskov moved to forward the nomination to the Keeper of the National Register under Criterion A and C with amendments recommended by the committee. Ms. Trice seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:50 PM