



REGULAR MEETING

LANDMARKS & HERITAGE ADVISORY BOARD

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2015 AGENDA

Third Floor Executive Conference Room

6000 Main Street SW

6:00 PM

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Meeting Protocol**
 - a. Roll call
 - b. Acceptance/changes to agenda
 - c. Approval of minutes from July 30, 2015
 - d. Announcements
- 3. Public Communications**
- 4. Unfinished Business**
 - Project Ideas for Future Grant Opportunities - discussion
- 5. New Business**
 - September 14 City Council Joint Meeting- workplan
- 6. Public Hearing**
 - (None)
- 7. Next Meeting**
 - September 24, 2015
- 8. Adjournment**

Members: Please call Karen Devereaux at 253-983-7767 by Tuesday if you are unable to attend. It is important to establish in advance whether or not there will be a quorum. Thank you.



LANDMARKS & HERITAGE ADVISORY BOARD

July 30, 2015 Meeting Minutes
Third Floor Executive Conference Room
6000 Main Street SW
Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Glen Spieth, Vice-Chair, presiding officer, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

MEETING PROTOCOL

Roll Call

Landmarks & Heritage Advisory Board Members Present: Glen Spieth, Vice-Chair; Bill Harrison, Beth Campbell, Joan Cooley, Dennis Dixon and Bob Jones

Landmarks & Heritage Advisory Board Members Excused: Stephanie Walsh, Chair and Walter Neary

Landmarks & Heritage Advisory Board Members Absent: None

Council Liaison to LHAB: Councilmember John Simpson

Staff Present: Dan Catron, Planning Manager; Karen Devereaux, Administrative Assistant

Acceptance/Changes to Agenda

Mr. Dan Catron suggested the public hearing be held right after public comments are heard. All members agreed to changes.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Glen Spieth, Vice-Chair, opened the floor asking if there were any additions, changes or modifications to the June 25, 2015 meeting minutes. **Mr. Dennis Dixon made the motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Ms. Beth Campbell. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.**

Announcements

Mr. Dan Catron shared that progress is being made with the contract for LHAB Consultant, Jennifer Schreck. She is expected to be in attendance at the next month's meeting.

Mr. Glen Spieth, Vice-Chair, commented that the bronze marker for the Colonial Center is near completion. Three others are in the works; Tacoma Country Club, Mt. View Cemetery and Funeral Home, as well as the Frank Lloyd Wright House – Mark Griggs Home. Mr. Glen Spieth, Vice-Chair, noted the markers have not yet been placed at the Thornewood Castle or Ft. Steilacoom locations due to the 4,000 pound weight of the large boulders. Mr. Spieth commented because of the requirements involving boom trucks he won't use large boulders as place markers for the plaques again. Mr. Dan Catron suggested contacting the City of Lakewood Public Works Department for help with boulder placement. Councilmember Mr. John Simpson provided a contact name with the Army Corp. of Engineers. The two boulders are being kept at Mr. Glen Spieth's home until they can be placed.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

None.

PUBLIC HEARING

Historic Fort Steilacoom Community Landmark Designation

The City received a request by the Historic Ft. Steilacoom Association (HFSA) to designate the four officer's quarters buildings as a Community Landmark. The buildings readily qualify for designation. Originally constructed over 150 years ago, the four buildings were renovated and restored in the 1980's with the intention of being reflective of the original craftsmanship and materials protective of the historic character of the structures. Fort Steilacoom is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as a National Historic District (NHRP Listing #77001350).

Staff recommended, in light of the clear historic nature of the nominated buildings and their role in local, regional and national history, the Historic Fort Steilacoom –comprising four residential buildings, their immediate environs, and the associated Fort Steilacoom Settler Cemetery- be recognized and designated as the first Community Landmark for the City of Lakewood.

Board members heard comments from Mr. Bob Hubenthal, Director Capital Programs, Department of Social and Health Services, as well as Mr. Kenneth Morgan, Historic Fort Steilacoom Association, in full support of such a designation.

Board members discussed having a formal and public dedication ceremony with the Mayor recognizing the Historic Fort Steilacoom Association in a special presentation in September 2015.

The motion was made by Ms. Joan Cooley to recommend to Council the approval and designation of Historic Fort Steilacoom as a community landmark. Mr. Dennis Dixon seconded the motion. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Lakewold Gardens Sunroom

Staff believes that the proposed alterations in the building design and materials are very minor and do not negatively impact the historical integrity of the Landmark. Staff is recommending that the Board review the proposed project and if satisfied that the work upholds the historical integrity of the structure, approve the proposed modifications to the buildings.

Ms. Joan Cooley made the motion to approve the proposed changes to the Lakewold Gardens Sunroom as presented. Ms. Beth Campbell seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken. The motion carried unanimously.

Project Ideas for Future Grant Opportunities-Discussion

The members compiled a list of possible projects they would like to complete with future grant monies. The list below will continue to grow.

- 1) Digitize the big LHAB historic properties inventory book and color photos on disk, then place all items onto the City website for public viewing;
- 2) Expand the driving map by adding newly designated locations, print new map; and
- 3) Jennifer Shreck, Consultant and her chargeable time.

OTHER

Next Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 27th at 6:00 p.m. in Executive Conference Room 3A.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Stephanie Walsh, Chair
Landmarks & Heritage Advisory Board

8/27/2015

Karen Devereaux, Secretary to the
Landmarks & Heritage Advisory Board

8/27/2015

Landmarks and Heritage Advisory Board 2015 Summary & Work Plan

Members:

Stephanie Walsh, Chair
Glen Spieth, Vice Chair
Beth Campbell
Joan Cooley
Dennis Dixon
Bill Harrison
Bob Jones
Walter Neary

Council Liaison:

John Simpson

Staff Support:

Planning Manager Dan Catron

Technical Support:

Preservation Consultant Jennifer Schreck (currently not under contract)

Administrative Support:

Community Development Administrative Assistant Karen Devereaux

Meeting Schedule:

Fourth Thursday of every month at 6:00 PM in City Hall Room 3A.

Significant Accomplishments and Workplan 2015:

In 2015 the Landmarks and Heritage Advisory Board has continued to try to find ways to promote its mission beyond the formal designations of specific properties. The Board has been involved with the following issues in 2015-2016:

- The Board intends to continue to work with the Woodbrook Hunt Club towards Landmark designation. The Hunt Club has been in existence since 1924 and is already on both the State and National Register of Historic Places. The members of the Club seem excited about securing local designation.
- The Board continues to engage in the on-going management of cultural resources at Western State Hospital. LHAB members and staff participate in the Western State Hospital Cultural Resources Stakeholders Group, which is working towards protecting the many historical resources at WSH through implementation of a Cultural Resources Management Plan (CRMP) that was developed in 2011.

- The Board held a public hearing in July and is recommending that Historic Fort Steilacoom, located on the Western State Hospital campus, be formally designated by the City Council as a “Community Landmark”.
- The Board has granted an administrative Certificate of Appropriateness for minor preservation and rehabilitation work at Lakewold Gardens. The work involves replacement of the windows in the Wagner House solarium, and the elimination of one window and replacement with siding material.
- The Board has continued discussions regarding the design, procurement, and placement of plaques on properties designated as Landmarks and Community Landmarks. In 2015, plaques were placed, by Board member Glen Spieth in conjunction with the Lakewood Historical Society, at >>>. Plaques were also placed by the Lakewood Historical society at >>>.
- The Board continues to explore the use of the Community Landmark designation for certain properties. This designation provides recognition for historic properties without carrying the tax benefits or development limitations of the standard Landmark designation. The Board is sees this designation as more appropriate for publicly owned properties or other structures and places where the standard landmark designation is problematic.
- The Board is interested in developing public outreach activities, possibly in conjunction with the Lakewood Historical Society, the Arts Commission, and/or Lakewold Gardens.
- There is an opportunity to create a more robust presence on the City’s website. Raising awareness of Lakewood’s history and historic resources is a specific function of the Board, and the internet provides a powerful platform for organizing and showcasing information about Lakewood’s history. The internet can deliver information to a wide audience with a minimum amount of effort and expense. The Board has indicated that it would like to work on improving the City’s website with regard to historic resources in 2014-2015.
- Other project ideas identified to take advantage of grant funds include digitizing the City’s 1999 Historic Properties Inventory and then placing that information on the City’s website for public viewing, and expanding the driving tour map (completed two years ago) by adding additional locations and printing additional copies. There is also an opportunity to better integrate the map with the City’s website.

Landmark Designations in Lakewood (as of 2012)

Currently Designated:

1. Boatman-Ainsworth House (11/2002)
2. Lakewold Gardens (11/2002)
3. Rhodesleigh Carriage House (5/2003)
4. Chauncey Griggs House (8/2003)
5. Hopkins House (12/2006)
6. Cole/Smith (Huber) House (2/2008)
7. Old Settlers Cemetery (1/2011)

Potential Candidates:

- Fort Steilacoom (Nominated as a Community Landmark in July 2015)
- Woodbrook Hunt Club
- Western State Hospital
- Rhodesleigh House
- Lakewood Colonial Center
- Villa Carman (Madera)
- Flett House
- Little Church on the Prairie
- Little Red Schoolhouse
- Thornewood Castle
- Mueller-Harkins Hangar
- Tacoma Country and Golf Club
- Alan Liddle House