

HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
October 21, 2008

A. CALL TO ORDER AT 7:05 PM

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Present: Commissioner Sather (Acting Chair) Absent: Commissioner Reed
Commissioner Little
Commissioner Tupua
Commissioner Roby

Council Representative: Councilmember Ross

Staff: Senior Planner Gloria Rivera

**B. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2008
COMMISSION MEETING**

Commissioner Roby made a motion to approve the minutes of September 16, 2008.
Commissioner Tupua seconded the motion. Minutes Approved.

C. CITIZEN COMMENTS

No one was present.

D. INFORMATION ITEM

No items were presented.

E. WORK SESSION

1. Scriber Bridge Plaque Report

Senior Planner Rivera has been working with Bob Colinas from the Parks Department and Cascade Trophy on placement of the plaque. Given the time involved in producing a plaque, the Commission will begin work on the plaque for the Bennett residence so it will be available on the City anniversary date. The owners and Public Works will be contacted regarding its placement. Commissioner Little will draft the text and Cascade Trophy will be contacted regarding a photograph of the residence.

2. History Program

Senior Planner Rivera has attempted to contact Larry Johnson, an architect, who specializes in building new residences to a craftsman style and who has renovated older structures regarding the possibility of a historic presentation. Although he had seemed interested in the presentation additional contact has not been fruitful.

3. Oral History Project

Senior Planner Rivera reported that the University of Washington graduate school program has notified students of the opportunity to conduct an oral history for the 50th anniversary. No contacts have been made yet. The possibility exists that the City will have to conduct its own oral history. Rachel Solemsaas, Vice President of

Finance and Operations at Edmonds Community College expressed an interest in working on the project. The Alderwood Manor Historical Association may be able to assist the Commission with the oral history production. Senior Planner Rivera will contact Lorraine McConaghy at the Museum of History and Industry. Oral history contacts could include James Moran, Tom Murphy, Jack O'Hara, Bob Colinas, and Leroy Middleton. Oscar Halpert from the Enterprise will be contacted regarding an article.

4. Walking Tour Update

Senior Planner Rivera has contacted an individual from the Sound Steppers Volkwalking Club regarding the possibility of a Volkswalk in conjunction with the proposed walking tour brochure for the City 50th Anniversary year. He reported that the route may have to be changed to accommodate all walkers.

The draft walking tour brochure will continue to be revised to be completed before the beginning of 2009. Senior Planner will contact owners of listed properties for permission to use their addresses and photographs of buildings.

5. Historic Calendar

Given the quotes being obtained for the production of a calendar and the uncertainty of inclusion of a calendar in the City budget, the Commissioner decided to produce the calendar digitally with a link for citizens on the website. Commissioners Roby, Tupua, and Sather will review the Lynnwood history book for significant dates for the calendar. Commissioner Little will work with Ron Siddell of the Community and Development Department to help him obtain photographs for placement in the calendar. A recommendation was made that the trolley be used as a watermark on the calendar.

6. Miscellaneous

The Commission requested that an inquiry be made whether one of the Easter Egg Hunts could be held at Heritage Park. "Babe Ruth" was a past historic feature that could be highlighted. Parking would be tight but arrangements could be made with Lowe's or the Red School. The Commission also expressed interest in having the old street names attached to current street signs in the City.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Scriber and Bennett Plaques
- Oral History Project
- Walking Tour
- Historic Calendar
- Historic Street Signs
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Miscellaneous

F. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M