

HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
June 16, 2009

**A. CALL TO ORDER AT 7:05 PM**

**HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

Present: Commissioner Roby                      Absent: Commissioner Reed  
            Commissioner Tupua                      Commissioner Little

Council Representative: Councilmember Utter

Staff: Senior Planner Gloria Rivera

Guest: Kristopher Skelton

**B. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 18, 2008 AND DECEMBER 16, 2008, JANUARY 20, 2009, FEBRUARY 17, 2009, AND APRIL 28, 2009, AND COMMISSION MEETINGS**

The minutes of the meetings of November 18, 2008, December 16, 2008, January 20, 2009, February 17, 2009, and April 28, 2009, were not approved due to the lack of a quorum. The approvals will be scheduled for a later meeting.

Senior Planner Rivera reported that seven people had shown interest in the Historical Commission, had been invited to the meeting, and directed to the website for an application.

**C. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Kristopher Skelton was present at the meeting to be interviewed by the Historical Commission.

**D. INFORMATION ITEM**

None

**E. WORK SESSION**

***1. Interview of Kristopher Skelton***

Kristopher shared with the Commission his background. He is obtaining a dual degree from Washington State University in professional writing and history. He grew up in the Lynnwood area around 60<sup>th</sup> Ave. W. Commissioner Roby made a motion to submit his name to the City Council with a recommendation that Kristopher be appointed to the Historical Commission. Commissioner Tupua seconded the motion. Motion passed by consensus.

***2. Oral History Project***

Senior Planner Rivera has met with a student from Edmonds Community College who would like to film the oral history as well as another student who may take part in the production. Senior Planner Rivera also met a staff member of Edmonds Community College who works in student programs and would help arrange internships. The Historical Commission

requested a sample project of what the film student has produced for review. Discussion was had of who might make a good narrator for the production. It was noted that as the project progressed the Historical Commission will need to take an active part in editing the production.

### ***3. Walking Tour/Volkswalk***

Senior Planner Rivera reported that several inquiries have been received regarding the walking tour brochure. Discussion was had regarding a Volkswalk. Contacts with the local volkwalking club have been to no avail without return of phone calls or emails. The Historical Commission would still like to try for a volkswalk in the fall.

### ***4. Calendar***

Production of a calendar was discussed which would be accessed via the City website. Copy production was prohibitive with the costs associated to print the calendar. The cost of sales would need to balance out against the cost to produce.

### ***5. Historic Plaques***

The text of the Bennett plaque needs to be rewritten. Rather than locating the plaque adjacent to the Bennett Residence, the plaque will be located in a City Park and eventually to one of the parks in the City Center as that area develops. The plaque language will be selected at the next meeting and forwarded to Cascade Trophy.

### ***6. Historic Photographs***

The placement of a few framed historic photographs to be rotated around public facilities (i.e. Convention Center, Recreation Center, City Hall, Library) was discussed. Preference was indicated for the Historic Street Signs (see Item #7) over the photographs as the street signs would be visible to more people.

### ***7. Historic Street Signs***

Senior Planner Rivera has been in contact with the Public Works Department regarding placement and costs of historic street names adjacent to current street names at several intersections in the City. The signs would have a blue background or numbers to match the city colors. Placement of the street signs will be scheduled for the fall.

## **AGENDA ITEM FOR NEXT MEETING**

- Oral history
- Volkswalk
- Calendar
- Historic Plaques
- Historic Street Sign

## **F. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M