

HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
November 20, 2007

A. CALL TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Present:	Chair Little	Absent:	Commissioner Reed
	Commissioner Sather		
	Commissioner Tupua		
		Staff:	Senior Gloria Rivera
	Councilmember Ross		
	Dick Burtis (guest)		

B. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 16, 2007 COMMISSION MEETING

A correction was noted for the minutes. Commissioner Sather made a motion to approve the minutes of October 16, 2007, with that correction. Commissioner Tupua seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

C. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Dick Burtis introduced himself. He was born in Edmonds and has lived in Lynnwood all his life. He once had a chicken farm off of 148th St. He lived in an older home with a kitchen that had once been part of a log cabin.

D. INFORMATION ITEM

No items were presented.

E. WORK SESSION

1. Planning for Plaques

Masonic Lodge Plaque – An old picture of the Lodge needs to be obtained. Senior Planner Rivera will contact Dave Dilgard of the Everett Public Library to see if he knows where a photograph might be located. The Masonic website will also be explored.

Wilcox Park Plaque – The need for a plaque at Wilcox Park was discussed, especially in light of the construction of the picnic shelter. The plaque might be located on the south side of the park near the pedestrian paths. A historic photograph will need to be obtained. The Enterprise might be able to interview members of the Wilcox family.

2. Identifying Historic Sites

Senior Planner Maw will be asked to redo the map to reflect historic structures in the Unincorporated Urban Growth Area. The listing will allow for a better survey in the future.

The Commission will work on the identification of historic sites in the December and January meetings.

3. Code Revision – Residency Requirement for Commission members

The Commission made adjustments to the proposed revision of the City code regarding residency of commission members to include individuals residing in the Municipal Urban Growth Area and members who are owners of historic properties within the City limits. Senior Planner Rivera will forward these amendments to Community Development Director Krauss to be taken to the City Council.

4. Comments on Parks Plan

A copy of the Parks Plan was distributed and the plan discussed, particularly with regards to Icon Park which is located the closest to the traditional historic downtown. It was noted that all the City parks, including those proposed in the City Center, should have some historic reference. The City of Wenatchee has art along its downtown streets and historic references and art could be located adjacent to the landscaped areas of the streets of the downtown center, especially the promenade. **Commission members are asked to review websites for City's with downtowns that emphasize the arts and history, to present as examples at the meeting in November (i.e. Tacoma, Wenatchee). Councilmember Ross, Commissioner Little, and Senior Planner Rivera will draft a letter with a "vision" of what we would like to see within the City Center and the research presented as examples.**

6. Planning for 50th Anniversary

The City will attempt to produce a map with the old street names.

7. Miscellaneous

It was decided to have a Holiday potluck at 6:30 before the regular meeting on November 18th. Senior Planner will check into the costs. Spouses and families are invited.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Comments on Parks Plan
- Planning for the 50th Anniversary Celebration
- Identifying historic sites (maps)

F. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M