

Meeting Minutes of the  
City and Borough of Juneau  
**Historic Resources Advisory Committee**

Wednesday, February 6, 2013  
City Hall Building, Room 224  
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Members:

<u>  x  </u> Gary Gillette (Chair)	<u>  x  </u> Don Harris (Vice-Chair)	<u>  x  </u> Connie Munro
<u>  x  </u> Shauna McMahon (Recorder)	<u>  abs  </u> Rico Worl	<u>  x  </u> Myra Gilliam
<u>  x  </u> Marie Darlin	<u>  x  </u> Elizabeth Eskelin	<u>  x  </u> Gerald Gottschall

Staff:   x   Jane Lindsey (CBJ, Juneau-Douglas City Museum)  
  x   Greg Chaney (CBJ Community Development)  
  x   Jon Lange (CBJ Community Development- new planner)

CDD Director Hal Hart also attended.

- I. Call to Order: 5:00 pm
- II. Approval of Agenda: One change- adding CLG grant item to Old Business. Approved unanimously
- III. Approval of Minutes: approved unanimously with no changes. Motioned by Marie Darlin
- IV. Public Testimony on Non-agenda Items: none
- V. New Business:
  1. Sharon Gill- Presenting historic signage for Douglas Harbor

Sharon Gill is a representative from the Douglas Advisory Board which is a proposed recipient of a \$900 Juneau-Douglas City Museum Grant to create signage relating to Mike Pusich after whom the Douglas Harbor is being named. She handed out materials with proposed wording and noted layout would be similar to existing Treadwell signs but without logo or map. Gary Gillette noted that once in the template it is be easier to see what font size needs are and there may be opportunities to add additional photos in existing white space. Mr. Gillette suggested that consistency with current sign shape in Juneau is highly encouraged but that color choice can be flexible.

-MOTION- HRAC members support the preliminary signage design and content for the proposed Mike Pusich interpretive sign and encourage continued communication with HRAC as project proceeds.

## 2. DOT&PF Proposed Project – Glacier Hwy: Lena Point to Tee Harbor Reconstruction Project

A brief description of the project was given. It was noted by committee members that a Determination of Effect and Determination of Eligibility would be needed- especially for recreation area. Myra Gilliam provided specifics on current determinations and rec area stating that it is a 28 acre parcel on both sides of highway. Myra Gilliam did a determination of eligibility (yes, eligible for listing and the State Historic Preservation Office concurred with that finding. Ms. Gilliam also noted the location of the petroglyph site is the subject of some uncertainty, Gary noted he wants continued consultation as project efforts proceed.

-MOTION- Regarding the Glacier Hwy: Lena Point to Tee Harbor reconstruction project-HRAC concurs with the initial identification of historic resources in the proposed area of potential effect and HRAC has no knowledge of additional historic resources in the area of potential effect. HRAC also requests continued consultation on project. (approved unanimously)

## 3. DOT&PF Proposed Project- Egan Dr. Salmon Creek Intersection Safety Improvements

The HRAC members noted two possible historic sites in vicinity but these are outside the area of potential effect: Log House across from Twin Lakes and Tanner House 1.

-MOTION- Regarding the Egan Dr. Salmon Creek Intersection Safety Improvements -HRAC concurs with the initial identification of historic resources in the proposed area of potential effect and HRAC has no knowledge of additional historic resources in the area of potential effect. HRAC also requests continued consultation on project. (approved unanimously)

## 4. DOT&PF Proposed Project- Egan Dr. (10<sup>th</sup> St to Mendenhall Loop Rd) Pavement rehab

The HRAC members noted that the Behrend's Avenue and Highlands have potential from historic sites. Myra Gilliam noted that it would be helpful if DOT&PF would include a determination of eligibility column in the site listings with not evaluated, eligible, and not eligible as entry options.

-MOTION- Regarding the Egan Drive (10<sup>th</sup> St to Mendenhall Loop Rd Pavement rehab-HRAC concurs with the initial identification of historic resources in the proposed area of potential effect and HRAC has no knowledge of additional historic resources in the area of potential effect. HRAC also requests continued consultation on project

HRAC draws attention that additional sites are adjacent to the area of potential effect such as properties in the Behrend's Ave/Highlands area. and Glacier Highway that remain to be documented. (approved unanimously)

## 5. Boundary Meeting

Greg Chaney noted to HRAC that the General Assembly removed from the Juneau Historic District the area on Front Street (southeast side,) between main and Shattuck Way. HRAC had recommended that a 5 foot setback section remain in the Historic District. The Planning Committee had also supported that suggestion. The Assembly elected not to implement that 5 foot setback. HRAC members expressed concern about education on what historic district requirement entail. Gary Gillette asked about the whether the cultural center received federal funding (yes) and would need the section 106 process (required). Greg Chaney noted that a district boundary is different than the federally recognized historic district.

6. Recommendation that we look into make an amendment to the Downtown Historic District Design Standards and Guidelines to acknowledge and incorporate value of Native Alaska Heritage within the Design Standards

Greg Chaney noted that HRAC could promote public good will towards the design standards by incorporating Native Alaska Heritage in the design standards- especially given the public responses and comments regarding the boundary and design standards. Positive public attitude about the design standards is important to their implementation. CDD Director Hal Hart noted the walking tours in Victoria B.C. as a tool to generate positive public awareness and response. Myra Gilliam suggested inviting some in to talk about Native Alaskan Heritage in building design and HRAC committee members wondered who would be that expert to speak. Gary Gillette recommended keeping cultural heritage broad and worried about creating inflexibility if one cultural group is mentioned. Could using native Alaska heritage in design standards or in other outreach be a future model for other cultural representation was asked by Liz Eskelin.

VI. Old Business:

1. CLG grants- new round March 22

Gary Gillette mentioned that a second round of CLG grant submittals was being offered. He also mentioned tours and historic preservation plan contractor as examples of potential HRAC submittals. Action would have to be quick to meet deadline.

VII. Next Regular Meeting

Wednesday, March 6, 2013. (Juneau-Douglas City Museum)

VIII. Adjournment: Approximately 6:50 pm