

Agenda of the City and Borough of Juneau
Historic Resources Advisory Committee

Regular Meeting – June 1, 2022

Zoom Webinar Meeting

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- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Agenda
- III. Minutes – April 6, 2022
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Annual Report
- VI. Juneau Townsite Survey-Update
- VII. Committee Comments
- VIII. Adjournment

Next Meeting – May 4, 2022

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 Draft minutes

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- I. Call to Order 5:09
- II. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Agenda was approved as presented by consensus
- III. Minutes –
 - a. M/S Gillette/Hieb To approve the March 2, 2022 minutes with no edits.
- IV. Public Comment
 - a. None
- V. 241 Front Street Paint Color
 - a. Committee reviewed and discussed proposed paint colors for the JJ Stocker Building. After discussion the committee agreed to recommend that the proposed body color and trim color be switched to be more consistent with the historic district guidelines. They also recommended the tile on the building name be restored/cleaned and that a third color be added to accent the trim and dental molding.
- VI. Juneau Townsite Survey-Update
 - a. The consultants and CBJ staff held a team meeting. Work has started on the surveys. SHPO has indicated that they can use lot of existing information.

- VII. Wooshkeetaan Kootéeyaa Re-Dedication Ceremony and Raising – Report (first)
 - a. The totem was successfully raised in atrium at State Office Building in March. The project included the collaboration of multiple groups. It took-18 people to lift. Ceremony wonderful – planned by WS people, SHI preliminary program. Participants felt was valid program. Approximately 200 people live streamed during day of and over 300 participated.
- VIII. Committee Comments
 - a. There was some discussion about the review process for projects in the Historic District. Staff reminded them that they had worked on application forms and a process. She would look into where that process stands with the intent of getting in complete and in action.
- IX. Adjournment 6:09

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CBJ HISTORIC RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

2021 Annual Report

Prepared by the City and Borough of Juneau and the Historic Resources Advisory Committee

On behalf of Juneau's Historic Resources Advisory Committee (HRAC), the City and Borough of Juneau (CBJ) is pleased to present the 2021 Annual Report to the Alaska Office of History and Archaeology. This document provides an overview of HRAC's work over the past year.

Due to COVID-19 safe distancing practices HRAC continued with virtual meetings throughout the entire year.

While 2021 brought more visitors to Juneau than 2020, it was still an atypical year, with far fewer tourists. In a typical summer, downtown Juneau receives approximately 1 million cruise ship passengers. Many of these passengers spend the day walking through Juneau's historic neighborhoods and frequenting the local shops and restaurants. Some of these shops have remained closed. Vacant buildings continue to be of concern and the decrease in private investment are topics that are being addressed in Juneau's latest area plan – Blueprint Downtown. This area plan will compliment Juneau's Historic and Cultural Preservation Plan.

A. LOCAL PRESERVATION ORDINANCES:

- No new preservation ordinances were adopted in 2021.

B. HISTORIC RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

In accordance with the CBJ Land Use Code and HRAC's governing resolution, the Historic Resources Advisory Committee is entrusted with the following duties:

- Review and make recommendations on local projects that might affect properties identified in the local Historic Preservation Plan;
- Review and develop nominations to the National Register of Historic Places for properties within the City and Borough of Juneau;
- Cooperate and consult with the Assembly and the Community Development Department, and the State Historic Commission on matters concerning the historical district and historic, prehistoric and archaeological preservation in the City and Borough of Juneau;
- Review and make recommendations about the collections, exhibits, education programs, long-range plans, and other pertinent activities of the Juneau-Douglas City Museum; and
- Perform other actions which are necessary and proper to carry out the above duties.

In 2021, HRAC was comprised of the following members, with the specific seat held at the time, and professional background:

- Zane Jones – Architect, MRV Architects (Chair)
- Don Harris (Vice Chair) – Retired Psychologist, historic home owner, and Board of Directors for Friends of the Juneau-Douglas City Museum (term ended June 30, 2021)

- Shauna McMahon (Recorder) – State Natural Resource Specialist, State Museum docent
- Shannon Crossley – Associate Architect, Northwind Architects
- Gary Gillette – Architect, Member of Gastineau Channel Historic Society and CBJ Liaison to Treadwell Historic Preservation and Restoration Society
- Sarah Hieb – Investigator for the Alaska Police Standards Council and member of the Daughters of the American Revolution (appointed in July 2020)
- Olivia Lihou – Educator in Juneau with a passion for educating children on the dynamic history of Southeast Alaska (appointed July 2020)
- Dorene Lorenz – Broadcast News ABC – FOX Alaska, Historian, member of Pioneers of Alaska Juneau Igloo, Fourth generation Alaskan (Joined in August 2019)
- Chuck Smythe - Director, History & Culture Department of Sealaska Heritage Institute
- Benjamin Huskinson – Technical Editor with NOAA, with a PhD in History. (Served July 2021- November 2021)

Allison Eddins, Planner from the Community Development Department (CDD), Beth McKibben, Senior Planner and Niko Sanguinetti, Curator at the Juneau Douglas City Museum, served as the staff liaisons between the CBJ and the Historic Resource Advisory Council.

The Historic Resources Advisory Committee held regular monthly meetings on the first Wednesday of every month, with the exception of February, July and November. All of the meeting agendas and minutes are attached to this report.

C. SURVEY AND INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES:

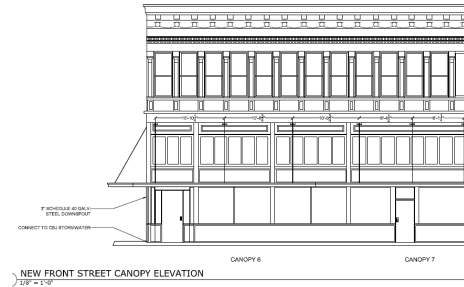
- No new properties were surveyed or inventoried during 2021.

D. PRESERVATION PLANNING ACTIVITIES: HRAC reviewed the following projects.

- Section 106 Project Reviews:
 - No section 106 project reviews took place in 2021.

➤ Downtown Historic District Project Reviews:

- 202 Front Street – The Valentine Building was originally constructed in 1905. Aside from the addition of a canopy 1930 the buildings architecture is virtually unchanged. The structure is a contributing building within the Downtown Juneau Historic District and is also listed individually on the National Register of Historic Places. The proposal that was brought to HRAC is a replacement of the canopy only. HRAC voted unanimously to recommend approval for this project.



- 207 S. Franklin - Review of Outdoor Food Court Master Plan in the Historic District.
- In January CBJ started work to develop a Historic District Design Review application form and an informational handout about Design Guidelines. The purpose of the project is create predictability and transparency for applicants, the public, and HRAC. Substantial work with completed but the form and handout are not yet in use.

E. NATIONAL REGISTER PROGRAM PARTICIPATION:

- HRAC did not propose any new nominations to the National Register in 2021. A concept for a permanent two-story covered seating area with space for outdoor performances was reviewed. HRAC agreed the proposal needed some changes to comply with the Downtown Historic District Design Standards and Guidelines, but they liked the concept.

F. PUBLIC EDUCATION PROJECTS:

In 2021, the Juneau Douglas City Museum offered historical presentations, walking tours, lectures and exhibits.

Program Type	Total # Of Programs	Total # of Attendees	NOTES
Education Tours	6	62	UAS & JSD students Travel Juneau staff & Volunteers
Events	6	615	First Friday HB10 Bill Signing
Presentations	9	347	Funter Bay Juneau CARES Artwork Wooshkeetaan Totem Pole
Walking Tours	143	839	Alaska Capitol Building Tours (95) Historic Downtown Juneau Tours (39) Treadwell Tours (4) True Crime Tours (5)
Other Programs	5	351	Walter Soboleff Day Poetry Reading Group Solo Artist Talks
TOTALS	169	2,214	

G. ADVOCACY AND PRESERVATION

Wooshkeetaan Totem Pole

The City Museum worked with various stakeholders to reinstall Wooshkeetaan Kootéeyaa (totem pole) in the Alaska State Office Building (SOB) on March 11th, 2022. The kootéeyaa was in storage since it was taken down from in front of Centennial Hall in 2016. At 40 feet tall, the kootéeyaa is too large for almost all buildings in Juneau. The City Museum finally got approval to raise the kootéeyaa in the SOB after petitioning the State for several years. Preservation work was conducted on the kootéeyaa before it was transported and raised in the SOB. The project was guided by an Advisory Committee made up of Indigenous stakeholders including local Wooshkeetaan and their Áak'w Kwáan Raven counterparts. The raising was accompanied by a dedication ceremony in mostly traditional Lingít ceremony.



Wooshkeetaan Totem Pole, photo credit: Juneau Empire

Funter Bay Project

The City Museum has been working with a large working group of stakeholders across the state on various initiatives pertaining to the Unanga̋ internment camps at Funter Bay on Kootznoowoo (Admiralty Island) from WWII. These initiatives include a museum exhibit, the protection of the cemetery through a legislative bill, and the creation and installation of interpretive panels onsite at Funter Bay. The exhibit was installed in June of 2020 and was taken down in October 2021. The legislative bill went through to the Senate but was stalled due to Covid-19. It was eventually approved in June 2021. The panels are currently stalled in development with Alaska State Parks. The next phase of the project will be submitting a nomination for the inclusion of the cemetery on the National Register of Historic Places and developing a management plan that requires consultation with the Tribal governments of St. Paul and St. George.

Veteran's Memorial Building

The Juneau-Douglas City Museum resides in the Veterans Memorial Building which was placed on the National Register of Historic Places on June 7, 2006. Completed in 1951, the building was the first major community project initiated by Juneau residents and housed the Juneau Memorial Library until the mid-1980s when the library outgrew the space and the City



Museum took up residence. The building was also the site of the July 4th 1959 Statehood Ceremony where the 49-star flag was first flown in Alaska and still flies today. Due to the age of the building and the general environmental conditions associated with Juneau, water infiltration and leaks occur mostly in the basement. Unfortunately, the majority of the leaks are located in rooms dedicated to storage of objects in the JDCM permanent collection. The City Museum has taken steps to begin assessing the cause of the leaks with the goal of finding a long term solution for the water incursion issue. Through a Grant-in-Aid from the Alaska State Museum, we have had an assessment conducted by NorthWind Architects. A portion of the CBJ CIP budget has been earmarked for addressing the water infiltration issue. The next course of action is currently being decided upon by CBJ Building Maintenance, CBJ Engineering, and Carver Construction. The City Museum's main concern is seeking a solution that retains the historic character and value of the property while also addressing the leaks as much as possible.

Fish Trap

The City Museum is the caretaker of an Indigenous fish trap that was used in the Kaxdigoowu Héen (Montana Creek) area between 700-900 years ago. It was excavated in 1991 under permit 49-JUN-453 and was a joint project of Sealaska, the City and Borough of Juneau, and the Alaska State Museum (ASM). Initially the trap was taken to ASM where it was treated with polyethylene glycol for one year. ASM lacked exhibit space so the trap was kept in storage until 2005 when the JDCM was awarded a Grant-in-Aid to exhibit the trap. The fish trap is particularly significant because it was the first basketry-style fish trap to be discovered in an archaeological context on the Northwest Coast. The City Museum has vetted the issue of ownership and it is still unclear whether the Montana Creek property is City or State lands. The City Museum awaits a determination on ownership from SHPO. The exhibit case that houses the fish trap is showing some signs of wear and the fish trap has been on display without rest for 15 years which is not museum best practice.

Burning of the Douglas Indian Village

The City Museum is embarking on a project to create an exhibit detailing the decisions and events that led to the burning of the Douglas Indian Village by the City of Douglas in 1968. The City Museum will be working with a working group made up of various stakeholders to ensure that the exhibit is guided by those who were evicted from their homes and their descendants. In addition to the exhibit, the City Museum will be partnering with KTOO to create an accompanying documentary that will be able to be played in the exhibit and will also touch on the process for creating the exhibit. The City Museum received a \$50,000 grant from the National Trust for Historic Preservation, Telling the Full History Grant to develop this project. Other initiatives related to the Douglas Indian Village may develop over time the more the City Museum and KTOO work with the community and better understand their wishes regarding the telling of this story.

H. HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT ACTIVITIES:

- In April HRAC and staff worked together to submit an application to Office of History and Archeology for survey and inventory of the Juneau Townsite. In June CBJ was awarded \$24,000 in CLG funds. In October CBJ issued a Request for Proposals and in late December entered into a contract with NorthWind Architects, LLC to complete the Survey and Inventory of Phase 1 of the Juneau Townsite.

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April 8, 2022

Rob Daniels
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RE: J.J. Stocker Building Paint Colors

Dear Mr. Daniels:

The members of Juneau's Historic Resources Advisory Committee (HRAC) would like to thank you for bringing your paint proposal to our meeting on April 6, 2022.

The J.J. Stocker building is located in the Juneau Downtown Historic District and is a contributing building, which means the building retains important historic features and character our guidelines seek to preserve. This building is known as the "Missouri Saloon/Stocker Building" and was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on June 6, 1994. 241 Front Street was originally the location of the Missouri Saloon. In 1896 it became the Louvre Theater. The building burned and was rebuilt in 1906, and named the J.J. Stocker Building. It continued to operate as the Louvre Theater and Bar until 1917 providing live theater in Juneau. In 1918 it was converted to the mercantile store. A third floor was added in 1935.

HRAC reviewed proposed paint colors and paint scheme that you provided. HRAC looked at the building as a whole, the street level façade has darker trim with a brown (wood) background color. HRAC have the following recommendations:

- Paint scheme be reversed with SW 7034 (Status Bronze) as the main body and SW 6990 (Caviar) as the trim. This is consistent with the Historic District Guidelines as follows:
 - A single color scheme shall be used for the entire exterior so upper and lower floors and subordinate masses of a building are seen as components of a single structure.
 - Generally, one muted color is used as a background, which unifies the composition.
 - One or two other colors are usually used for accent, to highlight details and trim.
- All horizontal trim details be painted with the trim color.
- Add a third color as an additional trim color to create additional contrast and highlight details such as the dental molding on the cornice and windows.
- Do not paint the name of the building "J.J. Stocker". Clean and preserve the historic tiles.

Attached is an image showing HRAC's preferred paint scheme. Thank you for allowing HRAC the opportunity to review the proposal. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Zane Jones, Chair of HRAC