

**Minutes**  
**HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD**  
City Commission Room, City Hall  
1101 Poyntz Avenue  
Monday, January 22, 2018  
4:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Betty Mattingly-Ebert, Chair, Christopher Banner, Eileen Meyer, Kevin West, Craig Hager, and Cameron Tross, Vice Chair.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Ben Chmiel, Planner; John Adam, Senior Planner; and Jason Hilgers, Deputy City Manager.

**Others Present:** None.

1. Call to Order

Mattingly-Ebert called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Roll-Call

All members were present.

3. Open Public Comment.

Jason Hilgers informed the Board on a presentation for a kiosk to be installed in the foyer of the Peace Memorial Auditorium. He said he would share the presentation with the Board for comment in the coming week.

4. Consider the minutes of the previous meeting.

West moved to approve the minutes as written. Tross seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

5. 2019-2024 CIP Requests.

Chmiel presented the staff proposal for projects including; a \$8,000 grant match for a historic survey of the Strong Neighborhood; a \$9,500 grant match for a historic survey of Aggieville; a \$25,000 facilities needs assessment/rehabilitation plan for the roundhouse in City Park; and a \$25,000 partial replacement/repair of the community house windows.

Chmiel noted that it was staff's intention to apply for a grant to fund a historic survey of Aggieville in 2018 without a funding source for a grant match, but to still request funds in 2019 in case the grant is not awarded. Tross believed Aggieville was the top

priority for surveying. Mattingly-Ebert concurred. She also asked for clarification about the timing of the Aggieville survey grant process and the issues with funding. Chmiel reiterated that the City did not have a cash match for the 2018 grant application, but still planned on applying, since as a CLG the cash match portion of HPF grants can occasionally be overlooked. Chmiel also noted that he would be meeting with ABA and the property owners of Aggieville before the HRB meeting in February to get their input and understand their level of support for the project.

Mattingly Ebert asked if the Community House window project had been requested in the past. Chmiel explained the HRB has requested the project for several years now, but it has never been granted. He added that due to the high cost of the project, it has been broken up into four phases to make it financially palatable. Tross asked if the Community House reuse was hindered by the issues with the window. Chmiel explained the cost of the greater rehabilitation of the building was a multi-million dollar project, so the window replacement would be a pretty small part of the greater project, though a timely one.

Chmiel said the project requests would be finalized at the February meeting and would be submitted in March. Mattingly-Ebert stated support for the projects proposed. Tross asked about the train depot repairs requested in years past. Chmiel said it was a failed grant project in the past, Parks and Rec decided to pay for the repairs out of their budget. Tross also asked that a previous request for a display case at the train depot be added to the request list. Mattingly-Ebert asked if the Community House window replacement would make a good grant project. Chmiel believed it would not, but said the project would qualify for tax credits, which are a more dependable financial tool.

6. Updates and Announcements.

Chmiel noted there would be a public meeting concerning preliminary results of the Sunset Area Survey to be held at Sunset Zoo on March 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm in the Nature Exploration Center.

7. Adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.