

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

CITY OF DAVENPORT, IOWA

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2021; 5:00 PM

CITY HALL, 226 W 4TH ST, COUNCIL CHAMBERS

A PARTIALLY ELECTRONIC MEETING IS BEING HELD BECAUSE A FULLY "IN PERSON" MEETING IS IMPRACTICAL DUE TO CONCERNS FOR THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF COUNCIL MEMBERS, STAFF, AND THE PUBLIC PRESENTED BY COVID-19, AND TO FOLLOW THE GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION AND THE MAYOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER DIRECTING SOCIAL DISTANCING AND PLACING RESTRICTIONS ON GATHERINGS. IN PERSON ATTENDANCE BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC AT ANY CITY OF DAVENPORT PUBLIC MEETING WITHIN ITS FACILITIES SHALL BE LIMITED TO 10 PERSONS.

I. Call to Order

Vice Chairman McGivern called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present by phone or virtual meeting: Franken, Lesthaeghe, McGivern, Powers, Sage, and Wilga.
Staff present: Laura Berkley, Matt Werderitch

II. Secretary's Report

a. Consideration of the January 12, 2021 Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Lesthaeghe, second by Franken to approve the January 12, 2021 meeting minutes. Minutes were unanimously approved by voice vote (6-0).

III. Communications

Vice-Chairperson McGivern expressed his condolences for the passing of Chairperson John Frueh and Commissioner Lynn Cochran. The Commission acknowledged their service and dedication to the City of Davenport.

The Historic Preservation Commission welcomed new Commissioners Alex Wilga and Julie Sage. Each member of the Commission and staff introduced themselves and stated their background and interest in Historic Preservation. Karen Miranda will be sworn in as the seventh Commissioner at the February 10, 2021 City Council meeting, which fills the last remaining vacant seat.

IV. Old Business

V. New Business

a. Work Plan Review and Development

Werderitch provided an overview of the Certified Local Government Annual Report. Commissioners reviewed the Davenport Historic Preservation Commission Work Plan for Calendar Year 2021 & 2022. Additional initiatives added to the plan included improving online historic preservation resources, increasing communication with City Council, receiving supplemental support via an alderperson liaison, and sponsoring educational programs in historic preservation.

VI. Other Business

Berkley stated the Commission will vote to elect a new Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

VII. Open Forum for Comment

VIII. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.

IX. Next Commission Meeting: March 9, 2021