

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF DAVENPORT, IOWA

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025; 5:00 PM

CITY HALL | 226 WEST 4TH STREET | COUNCIL CHAMBERS

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Hustedde called the meeting to order.

Present: Hustedde, McGivern, Eaton, Adams, Gomez

Excused: Kretz, Hoff

Staff Present: Reu, Werderitch

II. Secretary's Report

1. Consideration of the July 08, 2025 meeting minutes.

Motion by Gomez, second by Eaton, to approve the July 08, 2025 meeting minutes.

Minutes were unanimously approved by voice vote (4-0-1).

III. Communications

1. The Gold Coast-Hamburg Historic District Association is hosting the Gold Coast Brunch & Gardens event on Saturday, September 13, 2025. The Event is ticketed and starts at 9:00 am. Contact Sara Bartholomew (563) 940-6188. Funds from the event will go to projects educating students about native pollinators, birds, bugs, and native plants in urban landscapes.

IV. Old Business

V. New Business

1. Case COA25-11: Request to replace wooden deck at 521 West 6th St. The Dr. Gustav Hoepfner House and Office is located within the Hamburg Local Landmark Historic District. Peter Theis, petitioner. [Ward 3]

Staff summarized the history of the property and application to replace and repair the wooden deck at the rear of the house.

Staff recommended approval of the Certificate of Appropriateness to replace the wooden deck at 521 W 6th Street in accordance with the submitted material. The project was reviewed for conformance with the Standards for Review, Chapter 14.01.060 C and D of the Davenport Municipal Code. The project meets the following standards:

- a. Deteriorated architectural features should, where possible, be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity of deterioration requires replacement, the

new feature shall match the old in design, color, texture and other visual qualities and, where possible, materials. Replacement of missing features shall be substantiated by documentary, physical or pictorial evidence.

Peter Theis, applicant, was in attendance to answer questions.

Commissioners made no question to the applicant.

Motion by Adams, second Gomez by to approve COA25-08 in accordance with the submitted materials. Motion passed by a roll call vote (4-0-1).

2. Case DNRHP25-03: Request for demolition of the detached garage at 2534 East 18th Street. The property is located within the McClellan Heights National Historic District. Kathleen Herd Conway, petitioner. [Ward 5]

Staff summarized the history of the property and application to demolish the detached garage.

Staff recommended the Historic Preservation Commission approve Case DRNHP25-03, being the request to demolish the detached garage at 2534 East 18th Street.

Finding: The structure does not meet the criteria in Section 14.040.B of the Davenport Municipal Code.

Kathleen Herd Conway, applicant, was in attendance to answer questions. The applicant commented on the other garages in the alley, stating that they are new builds.

Commissioners inquired if the applicant has attempted to repair the garage. The applicant said they have repaired the garage multiple times since moving to the property.

Motion by Adams, second by Gomez, to approve Case DNRHP25-03 in accordance with the submitted materials. Motion passed by a roll call vote (5-0).

VI. Other Business

VII. Open Forum for Comment

VIII. Adjourn

Motion by Gomez, second by Adams, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by a voice vote (5-0). The meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.

IX. Next Commission Meeting: September 09, 2025