

MINUTES

ALEXANDRIA HISTORICAL RESTORATION AND PRESERVATION COMMISSION

8:00 a.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2015

Lloyd House, 220 North Washington Street

In Attendance: Barnes, Batey, Commisso, Edouard, Heiden, Murphy, Sennewald, Sprinkle
Excused: Yianilos
City Staff: J.Lance Mallamo, Director, Office of Historic Alexandria
Catherine K. Miliaras, Urban Planner, Historic Preservation, Planning&Zoning
Department
Guests: Charles Trozzo

Chairman John Sprinkle called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

The Minutes of Nov.11, 2015 meeting were approved unanimously, motioned by Robert Sennewald and seconded by Michael Commisso.

National Trust will have a field session on Inventory of Historic Resources funded by HAF.

ALEXANDRIA ALLEYS SURVEY

The next Alley meeting will be January 7 at 7pm.

POTOMAC YARD METRO STATION

Now that a selection for the Potomac Yard Metro Station has been decided, John Sprinkle is not sure what the next step will be.

WATERFRONT PLAN

Robert Sennewald reported that the pile-driving for the Indigo Hotel is ongoing. City Council will hear an appeal for Robinson Terminal North and a new Condo Complex at the intersection of Wolfe & Union Streets on Dec. 12. He distributed the decision review-criteria relevant to BAR appeals.

EASEMENTS

Lance Mallamo will prepare the annual letter.

Mary Heiden stated that there was an erroneous comment on 203 S. Lee Street.

HARC REPORT

Mr. Mallamo reported that the new OHA Strategic Plan FY-2016-2021 will begin development in January 2016 and be reviewed over the next 12 months at each HARC meeting.

OHA REPORT

Mr. Mallamo reported that all City departments have been asked to develop a cost to continue and 5% reduced budget for FY-2017.

PLANNING & ZONING REPORT

Catherine Milliaras reported on the status of the Ramsay Homes. Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority has stated that they are initiating the HUD process. A neighbor is suing. Catherine also reported that Robinson Terminal South Houses are also being appealed. Historic Warehouses and interpretation of subdivisions around Ford House is also going to City Council on Dec. 12.

Olin is working on a color palette for the Waterfront.

BAR is holding work sessions on Potomac Yard metro station. They are preparing guidelines for the metro station to meet the Washington Street standards. There is a 'thirty-day-comment' period now underway on the impacts to George Washington Memorial Parkway.

Planning & Zoning performed a one week Charette for the Old Town North small area plan in November. The plan will consider new interpretation for the canal and rich history of Old Town North as well as streetscape improvements on North Washington Street.

Catherine reported that there will be a PZ/ BAR meeting tonight on decision review adjustments.

The Giant/ABC site on Madison Street will be re-developed into apartments by the same developer that constructed the 'Mosaic District'.

John Sprinkle reported that measured drawings of the Ramsay Homes have already been submitted to LOC.

NEW BUSINESS

Michael Commisso has completed the annual report, motioned by Michael Commisso, seconded by Robert Sennewald and approved unanimously.

Lance Mallamo reported on the FOIA request for 420 S. Lee Street.

NEXT AHRPC MEETING DATE

The date of the next meeting was set for Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2015, at 8 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Lance Mallamo, Staff to the Commission