MINUTES

ALEXANDRIA HISTORICAL RESTORATION AND PRESERVATION COMMISSION 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday, Lloyd House, 220 North Washington Street

In Attendance: Barnes, Commisso, Edouard, Horne, Froemming, Murphy

Excused: Osborne, Stevens

Unexcused: Batey

City Staff: Dan Lee, City Historian, Office of Historic Alexandria

Catherine K. Miliaras, Urban Planner, Historic Preservation, Planning & Zoning

Department

Guests: Charles Trozzo

Chairman Commisso called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m.

The Minutes of the 2/14 meeting were approved as amended. Motioned by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Froemming.

ALEXANDRIA ALLEYS SURVEY

The next meeting is April 26th

POTOMAC YARD METRO STATION

No update

WATERFRONT PLAN

Ms. Miliaras noted that the Groundbreaking for what was called Fitzgerald Park is happening next month.

Ms. Horne requested that the commission seek updates on Alfred Street Baptist Church's expansion.

AHRPC POLICY #5 and #6

Edits were made and approved. Mr. Commisso will submit them separately.

EASEMENTS

No updates on 213 Fairfax, 420 Lee St ruling was upheld by BAR, owner plans to appeal, AHRPC is not taking a position on the issue.

HARC REPORT

Ms. Barnes was unable to attend meeting. Multiple members noted the HARC effort to bring the National Trust Foundation to Alexandria

OHA REPORT

Dr. Lee reported no significant updates

PLANNING & ZONING REPORT

Ms. Miliaras said that planning is underway for Preservation Month, including an Easement Roundtable May 1, at 7 p.m. at the Lyceum. Members seemed unanimous in desire to invite Paul Edmondson from the National Trust to participate.

NEW BUSINESS

Easement inspections begin this weekend with the Contrabands and Freedmen's Cemetery. A checklist was distributed. Mr. Commisso will send out a form letter to owners notifying them of the inspections. Next up are Wales Alley, 307 S. St. Asaph, and Gadsby's Tavern Museum. Mr. Murphy requested a previous inspection report be distributed before new inspections. Ms. Edouard asked for images that were taken during previous inspections, but the file for the Freedmen's Cemetery weren't in the file. The Cemetery easement application includes what is unique architecturally about the cemetery.

Ms. Miliaras updated the Commission on the Route 1 South Affordable Housing Strategy. Dr. Trozzo noted that an out of town entity (ASANA) has invested over 100 millions into Alexandria real estate, especially business real estate. Mr. Froemming is going to update the group on ASANA's plans. For instance, Union Street Public House is taking over Hunting Creek.

NEXT AHRPC MEETING DATE

The date of the next meeting was set for Wednesday, April 11, 2018, at 8 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Dr. Dan Lee, OHA Staff to the Commission