

MINUTES
ALEXANDRIA HISTORICAL RESTORATION AND PRESERVATION COMMISSION
8:00 a.m.
Wednesday, August 14, 2019
Lloyd House, 220 North Washington Street

In Attendance: Anthony, Batey, Froemming, Stevens, Horne, Barnes, Osborne
Excused: Commisso
Unexcused:
City Staff: Dan Lee, staff, Office of Historic Alexandria, Susan Hellman, staff, Office of
Historic Preservation
Guests: Trozzo

Vice-Chairman Batey called the meeting to order at 8:16 a.m.
The Minutes of the July meeting were approved without amendments unanimously.
Lauren Waldron has resigned from the Commission. Susan Hellman was present representing
The Historic Preservation Office.

ALEXANDRIA ALLEYS SURVEY

The next meeting is scheduled for August 22. Hellman gave an update on the Alleys survey,
Which includes a slowing down of activity as the survey nears completion.

Freedom House

The Northern Virginia Urban League is putting the building up for sale. The building is still dealing
With mold remediation issues resulting from the July 8 floods.

HARC REPORT

Osborne said that HARC is creating a Public Easement Steering Committee which will be
composed of representatives of the easement holding organizations. AHRPC is not required to
participate. The desired goal is a ratio of 7.3 acres of open space per 1000 residents for new

development. The Historic Alexandria Foundation has filed a Lawsuit regarding 619 S. Lee Street. 56 Towers will be raised a maximum of 10 feet to accommodate 5G wireless. The details will be revealed in a BAR meeting on Sept. 4. The design of the Potomac Yards Metro station needs to be altered to connect the two roofs. Now is the input period on the City Hall renovation.

OHA REPORT

OHA is creating a new exhibit on the history of City Hall as it prepares for the renovation. The Freedom House and Lyceum had to deal with 3 inches of standing water in their basements.

City UPDATE

Susan Hellman represented the Office of Planning and Zoning. She stated that the developers in the Ross Building and the Campagna Center projects have pulled out, citing too many restrictions. The NOVA Parks system owns the Bank of Alexandria building on the Carlyle House property. The 40 year lease expires on December 31, 2020, and the system is willing to sell or lease the building. Hellman wrote an easement proposal for the inside, which is now being used as office space. It was the first bank in Virginia, and includes the original vault.

Easements

Stevens began sending out inspection letters. Horne suggested sending out a blanket letter to all easement holders including FAQs and the chance to get a plaque noting their easement.

ACTION ITEMS

Policy #8 was pushed.

The Commission has received a request from a lawyer representing one of the Lloyd House Neighbors asking for a submission of the property deed for the property. The Commission is dealing with the State Attorney General's office, which has been very responsive in this matter.

NEXT AHRPC MEETING DATE

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:11 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dan Lee, OHA Staff to the Commission