Meeting Minutes of the
City and Borough of Juneau
Historic Resources Advisory Committee

Wednesday, August 7, 2013
City Hall Building, Room 224
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Members:
_x_ Gary Gillette (Chair)  _x_ Don Harris (Vice-Chair)  _x_ Connie Munro
_x_ Shauna McMahon (Recorder)  _?_ Mark Sowers  _x_ Myra Gilliam
_x_ Marie Darlin  _____ (vacant)  _abs_ Gerald Gottschall

Staff:  _abs_ Jane Lindsey (CBJ, Juneau-Douglas City Museum)
_x_ Jon Lange (CBJ Community Development)
x_ Laura Boyce (CBJ Community Development)

Public Guests:  CDD Director Hal Hart
Luyiaminda C. Solangy
Brian Holst
Margo Waring
Ulysses Bohulano

I.  Call to Order: 5:07 pm

II. Approval of Agenda:  . Approved unanimously

III. Approval of Minutes: approved unanimously with update to bridge option

IV. Public Testimony on Non-agenda Items: none

V.  New Business:
1. Downtown Façade Improvement Program Presentation- Margo Waring & Brian Holst

   An annual storefront improvement competition is being developed by the Juneau Economic
   Development Council. Handouts were shared and three awards were described: current, most
   improved, and people’s choice. The Southeast Section of the Alaska Chapter of the American
   Institute of Architects is a confirmed sponsor and Downtown Business Association is pending.
   There are provisions for improvements completed in recent years. Laura Boyce suggested that a
   letter from HRAC could be a weighting criterion for selection. Mr. Holst mentions hopes that
   HRAC could be a source of Judges and promotion for competition.

   -MOTION-  HRAC supports the Storefront Improvement Competition proposal (Motioned by Marie Darlin,
2. Building Permit Review for Downtown Historic District Building Renovation- CDD staff

An owner of L&J Hair is planning to have two door panels and shift to left and add window. Gary Gillette mentioned the windows should be even with door. Laura mentioned need for variance since current plans do not have recessed doors. Gary Gillette also mentioned under the standards canopies are flat, not sloped and further discussion of the slope continued such as “stepping” the slope. Ms. Solangy (business owner) noted that the function is transitioning from hair salon to store. Gary Gillette noted that the owner should continue consultation with Laura Boyce and Jon Lange at CDD.

3. City Museum Draft Long Range Plan Review and Discussion

Laura Boyce handed out draft plan to HRAC members. It was suggested that members review so can be discussed when Jane Lindsay is present.

4. Treadwell Grant Signage Review- Gary Gillette

Draft sign designs were shared. Myra encouraged citations of sources and information for readers to find further information. Laura Boyce asked about the projected lifespan of sign and Gary Gillette answered 10 years. Gary also mentioned some downtown signs need cleaning and Laura Boyce suggested he walked her around the sign needs in the near future. It was also mentioned that a “HRAC field trip around the signs” may be a possible venture at the retreat or in the future.

-MOTION- HRAC approves the signs and supports moving to production
(moved by Myra Gilliam, approved unanimously)

5. DOT/PF Project Discussion

Four projects that had updated scopes were presented. The projects had previously undergone HRAC review.

-MOTION- HRAC concurs with findings shown in the updated project scopes.
(Myra Gilliam motioned, Marie Darlin seconded)

VI. Old Business:

1. CBJ Grant Updates

There is an awarded grant for re-roofing the Salt Water Pumphouse. North Pacific Erectors has offered its overhead and profit as match. Juneau Truss Company is providing some support through truss materials. Wayne Jensen is volunteering his time for architectural design.

2. Retreat Planning - staff

HRAC preferred a Saturday morning retreat over an evening or extended meeting retreat. Some topics of interest included native design standards, signage in downtown historic district (such as sandwich signs), temporary structures, and historic house plaques. A walking tour was mentioned as a possible retreat activity. October 5 was mentioned as a potential date and the customs/port office building as potential location.
VII. Committee Member Comments

HRAC Member changes were noted. Elizabeth Eskelin has resigned and Mark Sowers is newly appointed. Members were encouraged to promote the current vacancy to relevant friends and acquaintances, etc.

VII. Next Regular Meeting

Wednesday, September 4, 2013. (City Hall Room 224)

VIII. Adjournment: Approximately 6:35 pm