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

Wednesday, December 4 2013,
Juneau Douglas City Museum
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Members:
____ Gary Gillette (Chair)  ____ Don Harris (Vice-Chair)  ____ Marcy Sowers
____ Shauna McMahon (Recorder)  abs  Mark Sowers  ____ Myra Gilliam
____ Marie Darlin  ____ Zane Jones  __ Gerald Gottschall

Staff:  ____ Jane Lindsey (CBJ, Juneau-Douglas City Museum)
   _____ Jon Lange (CBJ Community Development)
   _Abs_ Laura Boyce (CBJ Community Development)

Guest: Marcy Sowers

I. Call to Order: 5:03 pm
Welcome to new members Zane Jones and Marcy Sowers and round robin introductions to members

II. Approval of Agenda:  Approved unanimously.

III. Approval of Minutes:  Both October 1 and Oct 26 retreat minutes were approved unanimously with typographic corrections to retreat minutes (pg 2 . . (an) HRAC review and pg. 3 adhered to “class” corrected to “glass”

IV. Public Testimony on Non-agenda Items:  none

V. New Business:

1. Evergreen Cemetery Policy and HRAC

Draft policy regarding projects by non family members involving changes/updates to historic markers or memorials in Juneau cemeteries. The policy has HRAC reviewing application/work plan and includes owner approval and family consult. Marcy Sowers is going to work on wording or line to create tone to better address potential cultural barriers and add clarity to scope of policy. It was also mentioned that outreach to Tlingit & Haida Central Council may be beneficial. Gary Gillette recommended a reference to the Historic District Design Standards & Guidelines do research of the photos. Practical aspects of coordination such efforts would need to be considered. HRAC members requested more information about where this policy applies and requested that Ben with Parks and Rec attend a near future meeting for additional clarification of jurisdictions. It was suggested that the draft policy wording of HRAC “will” review (submittals) to “may”. Jane asked HRAC members to provide draft sentences and feedback to her. The HRAC members noted that development of this policy is a good intention.
V. New Business continued

2. Brotherhood Bridge Review

It was suggested that CBJ CCD Director be consulted regarding protocol in responding to the updated project review.

-MOTION- HRAC recommends that CBJ staff draft letter as appropriate that supports advancing of Brotherhood Bridge Project (Marcy Sowers moved, Marie seconded, Approved unanimously)

VI. Old Business

1. Museum HVAC planning update

Jane gave an update about the project schedule. On 12/18/13 the construction phase of the project funding will go before the CBJ Finance Committee for approval. Jane Lindsay mentioned the asbestos and heat source pumps aspects of the project. The planned 12x12 might be offsite at Centennial Hall depending on status of construction,

2. Long Range Plan Comments from HRAC Retreat

JDCM staff has retreat next week and will be discussing recommendations from Long Range Plan that may be reasonable in a five year scope with small staff. Several concepts were talked about by HRAC members including a “cultural pass”, coordinated exhibit themes across multiple local cultural facilities, and museum bus tours. Marcy indicated Goldbelt as a good resource for developing bus tour concept and for Long Range Plan feedback. Jane Lindsey noted that the draft Long Range Plan can be used for grant purposes and some internal uses. For formal adoption the Long Range Plan would go to the CBJ Assembly for approval.

3. Empty Chair

There are plans to develop an associated temporary exhibit to coordinate with the Empty Chair memorial. JDCM staff is working with Mary Abo and Greg Cheney on concepts for the exhibit.

4. Museum Walk Around

VII. Committee Member Comments - none

VIII. Next Meeting

January 8, 2014 at 5:00 pm. City Hall Room 224

IX Adjournment 6:20 p.m.