



STAFF REPORT

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING DATE: 06/27/12

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING

ITEM DESCRIPTION: For possible action regarding the creation of the Special Purpose Las Vegas History Timeline Committee for research and findings to be presented to the Historic Preservation Commission regarding revisions to the city of Las Vegas History timeline as posted on the city of Las Vegas official website, All Wards.

BACKGROUND

- 04/25/12 Historic Preservation Commissioner Vice-Chair Stoldal requested that an item regarding the accuracy of the Las Vegas History timeline as posted on the city of Las Vegas website be placed on the May 23, 2012 HPC agenda.
- 05/23/12 Historic Preservation Commission Chair Dorothy Wright requested an item regarding suggested revisions to the Las Vegas History timeline as posted on the city of Las Vegas website be placed on the June 27, 2012 meeting agenda.
- 05/23/12 Historic Preservation Commission Chair Dorothy Wright requested an item regarding the creation of a committee to address the accuracy of the Las Vegas History timeline as posted on the city of Las Vegas website be placed on the June 27, 2012 meeting agenda.

ANALYSIS

Per chapter 19.10.150 HD-O HISTORIC DESIGNATION OVERLAY DISTRICT of the city of Las Vegas Unified Development Code, Section G.7.:

G. Historic Preservation Commission - Powers, Etc.

The powers, duties and activities of the HPC include the following:

7. Developing and participating in public information activities in order to increase public awareness of the value of historic preservation.

Per the Historic Preservation Commission Bylaws as amended April 25, 2012, Section VI. Duties of Officers, subsection A:

VI. DUTIES OF OFFICERS:

A. Chair:

It shall be the duty of the Chair to act as the presiding officer at all regular and special Commission meetings unless he/she is incapacitated or unable to attend a meeting for any other reason. The Chair may appoint an ad-hoc committee to conduct work on a specific topic or activity for a specified period of time. Such committee shall report to the full Commission at a regular meeting as deemed necessary.

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Findings

A special purpose committee may be created by the Historic Preservation Commission for the purpose of conducting research and presenting findings to the commission on a specific topic. The committee must meet the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) requirements for public meetings. Currently the commission bylaws allow for the creation of an ad-hoc committee; however, the definition of an ad-hoc committee is less formal than a Special Purpose Committee and does not imply the necessary open meeting law process. The commission bylaws may be revised to reflect this change in the future.

The purpose of the Special Purpose Las Vegas History Timeline Committee is to review the Las Vegas History Timeline as posted on the city of Las Vegas official website for accuracy of content, establish content criteria and website format, and provide findings regarding same to the Historic Preservation Commission at a regularly scheduled meeting of the commission.

If the establishment of the Special Purpose Las Vegas History Timeline Committee is approved, staff will work with the Office of the City Clerk to meet NRS notification requirements and schedule the committee meeting.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

APPROVAL

BACKUP DOCUMENTS

None.