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PUBLIC MEETING

**Twin Falls Historic Preservation Committee
March 18, 2013 1:00 PM
City Council Chambers
305 3rd Avenue East Twin Falls, ID 83301**

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Sonia Alexander Darrell Buffaloe Debbie Latten Jenni Geilman Ryan Horsley Norm Tilley Randall Watson
Vice-Chairman Chairman

PRESENT: Alexander, Buffaloe, Latten, Horsley, Tilley, Watson

ABSENT: Geilman

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON PRESENT: Don Hall

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Strickland, Weeks

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairman Watson verified a quorum and began the meeting at 1:00 pm.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Approval of Minutes from the following meeting(s): [February 19, 2013](#)

MOTION:

Commissioner Horsley made a motion to approve the consent calendar, as presented. Commissioner Alexander seconded the motion.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

III. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Certificate of Appropriateness – Jeremy Orton, Belle Pierre Idaho, LLC

Planner I Weeks stated that the applicant Jeremy Orton, is not present, staff will make the presentation. The applicant is requesting to install an ADA ramp on the side of the building located at 263 6th Avenue West. The property is located in the warehouse district it is a contributing property and was built in 1915 as Kenney Wholesale Company, to distribute agricultural goods, beans and potatoes. The applicant has other changes that he would like to make to the building. The applicant was told once he has determined the other changes that he wants to make to the exterior he will have to come back through the process for approval. This request only covers the installation of the ADA ramp and railing.

Planner I Weeks stated upon conclusion should the Commission approve the request as presented, staff makes the following recommendations:

1. Subject to the applicant obtaining the necessary building permits if appropriate.
2. Subject to the applicant obtaining the necessary Certificate of Appropriateness for the additional improvements and alterations to be done to the building.

Discussion Followed:

- Commissioner Horsley asked what the planned use is for the space.
- Planner I Weeks explained the use will be retail with some storage.
- Commissioner Watson stated his only concern is the slope of the ramp needs to help keep water away from the foundation.

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- Commissioner Horsley stated he is glad to see someone is willing to invest in this area and that there will be retail in this location. He would also like to see some curb, gutter and sidewalk go in down in this area of town for pedestrians.
- Commissioner Tilley stated he has no issues with the ramp as presented it seems to be in compliance with the design criteria.

Motion:

Commissioner Horsley made a motion to approve the request, with staff recommendations, for the Certificate of Appropriateness for the ADA ramp for property located at 263 6th Avenue West. Commissioner Alexander seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor of the motion.

APPROVED, AS PRESENTED, WITH STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Subject to the applicant obtaining the necessary building permits if appropriate.
 2. Subject to the applicant obtaining the necessary Certificate of Appropriateness for the additional improvements and alterations to be done to the building.
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2. General Discussion on 2012-2013 grant project
 - Discussion of 5-year plan –Darrell Buffaloe /Randall Watson
 - Discussion of adding the other Historic Districts to the City Code for preservation –Darrell Buffaloe/Jenni Geilman
- Commissioner Buffaloe reviewed the plan with the Commission listing the goals with time frames for implementation.
- Commissioner Alexander explained that she would like to see the addition of a School District Historic Brochure to the Commissions collection and she would like the Commission to consider planning a share fair where individuals from the Community could come and share items they have related to the history of Twin Falls.
3. Discussion of Railroad Box Car for possible use as a museum –Ryan Horsley
 - Commissioner Horsley stated there have been continuous discussions about providing a museum at the park located near the Silo's/Grain Elevators.
 - Councilman Hall stated he has spoken to owners of this property and the focus for them is to provide history related to agriculture. He has also been looking into curb, gutter and sidewalk for the area but there is still a lot of brainstorming to do and a few hurdles to cross before the project can happen. However, he stated the Commission should not give up hope.
 - Commissioner Horsley stated with the added interest in the area and other businesses looking at this area for development the park will become a focal point for this location and would be a great spot for a museum.
 4. Discussion of Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month – Jenni Geilman
 - Planner I Weeks stated there needs to be some notification to property owners of the Commission's plan to do a walking tour through the area, a map of the area with a flyer needs to be created, and advertising needs to be done.
 - Commissioner Buffaloe stated he would talk with Commissioner Geilman and work on a plan prior to the April meeting so that the plans can move forward.

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IV. INPUT AND/OR ITEMS FROM THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

- Planner I Weeks introduced Debbie Latten the newest Commissioner.

V. UPCOMING MEETINGS/SCHEDULE:

Regular meeting: [Monday, April 15, 2013](#)

VI. ADJOURN MEETING:

Chairman Watson adjourned the meeting at 2:01pm

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