



Minutes Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board October 7, 2010

Minutes of the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board recorded at 9 a.m. on Oct. 7, 2010, in the Tempe History Museum Board Room, 809 E. Southern Avenue, Tempe, AZ.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Lisa Roach, Chair
Julie Symopoulos, Vice Chair
Anne Chandler
Betty Enz
Angela Lopez
Shirley McKean
Robert McKinley
Korri Turner
Gerald Woodward

City Staff Present:

Dr. Amy Douglass, Administrator - Tempe History Museum
Rachael Peterson, Administrative Assistant - Library and Cultural Services
Adrienne Richwine, Deputy Director - Library and Cultural Services

Guest(s) Present:

Victor Linoff, Representative - Tempe Historic Preservation Society
Woody Wilson, President - Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation

(MEMBERS) Absent:

None

Meeting convened at 9 a.m.

Lisa Roach, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board Chair, called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 1: Consideration of Sept. 2, 2010, Meeting Minutes

- Anne Chandler, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board member, noted an inaccuracy in the unapproved draft of the Sept. 2, 2010, meeting minutes document; A. Chandler requested that the *Agenda Item 9 - Board Members' Announcements* verbiage reflect that Julie Symopoulos, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board Vice Chair, presented the Museum Advisory Board members with information related to the State of Arizona's 2012 Centennial Celebration.
- Dr. Amy Douglass, Tempe History Museum Administrator, further noted a second inaccuracy in the unapproved draft of the Sept. minutes document; Dr. Douglass reported that the correct title of the Tempe Historical Society's exhibit recognized as part of the *Agenda Item 5 - Tempe Historical Society Report* is, "Arizona's Royal Family of Rodeo."

- **MOTION:** Julie Symopoulos moved to approve the Sept. 2, 2010, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board Minutes Document (with proposed updates).
- **SECOND:** Anne Chandler seconded.
- **DECISION:** Sept. 2, 2010, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board Minutes Document (with proposed updates) approved.

Agenda Item 2: Report - Communications

- Dr. Amy Douglass, Tempe History Museum Administrator, reported that the Tempe History Museum is listed as the number one “thing to do” within the fall, 2010, edition of the *Valley Guide* publication. Dr. Douglass further explained that the *Valley Guide* highlights a list of 33 “things to do” within its fall, 2010 edition.
- Shirley McKean noted that Tempe History Museum imagery will be featured within the Salt River Project’s 2011 Calendar.

Agenda Item 3: Report - Budget

- Dr. Amy Douglass reported that the recruitment process to fill the vacant Curator of History Position within the City of Tempe Library and Cultural Services Division is well-underway; Dr. Douglass stated that five applicants are being interviewed for the position on Monday, Sept. 6. Douglass explained that a panel will interview the five applicants and select a set of finalists to continue to a second interview. Douglass stated that she anticipates that the finalist interviews will occur during the first week of October, 2010, and will involve an exhibit project proposal component.
- Lisa Roach, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board Chair, inquired about the pool of candidates qualified to participate in the Curator of History recruitment process; Dr. Douglass affirmed that all applicants scheduled to participate in the Curator of History recruitment process are excellent, qualified candidates.

Agenda Item 4: Report - Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation

- Lisa Roach, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board Chair, introduced Woody Wilson, President of the Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation, and Victor Linoff, member of the Tempe Historic Preservation Commission, and welcomed W. Wilson and V. Linoff to the Museum Advisory Board meeting.
- W. Wilson and V. Linoff facilitated a video campaign presentation related to the history, restoration and preservation processes of the Eisendrath House; W. Wilson described the combination of restoring and preserving the Eisendrath House, and its grounds, as an opportunity to rehabilitate the property to become an integral part of the Carl Hayden Campus for Sustainability, as well as the Tempe community.
- Within the video campaign presentation, Mark Vinson, Principal Architect for the City of Tempe, stated that the rehabilitation of the Eisendrath House, built in 1930, is the first lead-certified historic preservation project within the State of Arizona. Tempe Mayor Hugh Hallman, narrator of the video campaign presentation, stated that although developments have grown-around the Eisendrath House, the general core structure of the Eisendrath House is still in-tact.
- W. Wilson explained that the Carl Hayden Campus for Sustainability connects the following Tempe properties and areas:

- The Sandra Day O'Connor House
 - The Arizona Historical Society Museum
 - The Eisendrath House
 - Evelyn Hallman Park
- W. Wilson reported that the total cost to rehabilitate the Eisendrath House and its grounds is approximately 3.2 million dollars; W. Wilson further stated that 1.5 million dollars in funding for the project is confirmed in large part to funds raised at an event that took place in 2006 titled, "SRP - Night to Preserve."
 - W. Wilson provided the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board members with a brief report in relation to the reconstitution of the Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation in 2008; W. Wilson explained that although the rehabilitation of the Eisendrath House Project was not designed by the Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation, the Foundation is taking the lead to ensure that the project comes to fruition.
 - W. Wilson encouraged the Museum Advisory Board members to attend a fundraising event on the grounds of the Eisendrath House at 6 p.m. on Oct. 22, 2010; W. Wilson stated that tickets for the event are \$100 per person, and the event will include BBQ food catered by Honey Bears BBQ of Tempe, as well as an evening of blues music performed on the grounds of the Eisendrath House. Wilson reported that event attendees may park in the Arizona Historical Society Museum parking lot and buses will transport event attendees to-and-from the grounds of the Eisendrath House. Wilson added that he hopes that the Oct. 22 event will jump-start the fundraising process to collect the remaining monies necessary to complete the Eisendrath House Rehabilitation Project. Wilson further stated that construction and restoration of the Eisendrath House will begin after October 22; W. Wilson explained that plans and drawings have been submitted to begin the Eisendrath House construction and restoration processes.
 - W. Wilson reported that the Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation will be housed on the second floor of the Eisendrath House; W. Wilson added that the House will include office space, gallery space, museum exhibit space and conference room space.
 - Korri Turner, Museum Advisory Board member, inquired about the proposed completion date for the Eisendrath House Rehabilitation Project; W. Wilson reported that if adequate funding is secured, the Eisendrath House Project will be complete in approximately two years.
 - W. Wilson encouraged the Museum Advisory Board members to contact him if they'd like to tour the Eisendrath House and its grounds; W. Wilson further encouraged the Board members to visit the newly-restored Sandra Day O'Connor Center for Civic Discourse, an additional restoration project supported by the Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation. Lisa Roach suggested that the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board members tour and hold a future meeting within the Sandra Day O'Connor Center for Civic Discourse.
 - L. Roach inquired about the best way for the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board members to support the Blues and BBQ fundraising event on the grounds of the Eisendrath House; W. Wilson stated that attending the Eisendrath House fundraising event is equally as important as informing others about the project and the event.
 - W. Wilson reported that the Eisendrath House fundraising event will also include a silent auction; Gerald Woodward, Museum Advisory Board member, stated that he is willing to help contribute items to be auctioned-off as part of the event's silent auction. Wilson

encouraged G. Woodward to contact him, or Lisa Roach, Museum Advisory Board Chair, to arrange a pick-up of Woodward's donation.

- L. Roach, on behalf of the Museum Advisory Board, thanked W. Wilson and V. Linoff for their Tempe Historic Preservation Society report.

Agenda Item 5A: Report - Double Butte Cemetery Tour Event Committee

- Lisa Roach, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board and Double Butte Cemetery Event Committee Chair, reminded the Museum Advisory Board members that the *Tales from Double Butte* fundraising event/tour is scheduled to take place from 2 to 4 p.m. on Oct. 31, 2010, within the Double Butte Cemetery. Roach confirmed that the event will be a narrated, .75-mile walking tour that will highlight several of Tempe's notable, historic residents. Roach reported that the tour will feature the following notables:
 - Thanks Anderson
 - Guess Birchett
 - Benjamin Baker Moeur
 - B. Howard Pyle
 - Hugh Laird
 - Carl Hayden
 - Charles Trumball Hayden
 - Sallie Davis Hayden
 - Walker Wilson Jones
 - Winchester Miller
 - Curtin Miller
 - The Woolf Family
 - James C. Goodwin
- L. Roach stated that the purpose of the fundraising tour event is to raise awareness of the Tempe History Museum, the Museum's Oral History Program and the historical importance of the Double Butte Cemetery. Roach indicated that the Double Butte Cemetery Tour Event Committee is scheduled to meet at 5:30 p.m. on Oct. 26 in the Tempe Public Library Connections Café Program Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ.
- L. Roach reported that the tour event will begin with a brief opening presentation, immediately followed by a shotgun start, and further explained that a shotgun start will break-up groups of people and direct them to pre-assigned stations to begin the walking tour at the same time at each designated tour notable's stop.
- Gerald Woodward, Museum Advisory Board member, inquired about how to purchase tickets for *Tales from Double Butte*; L. Roach stated that the price of admission for the tour is \$15 per person. Roach further explained that tickets will not be distributed for the *Tales from Double Butte* event; however, registration for the event will be made available to the public at various City of Tempe Community Center sites, as well as at the Tempe History Museum, via the CLASS Online Registration Program.
- L. Roach explained that ticket sales are currently limited to the sale of 100 tickets.
- L. Roach added that she's in the process of confirming event logistics; L. Roach cited the following event logistics:
 - Trash/Recycle Bins
 - Port-O-Johns

- Water Bottles
- Water Chillers (Tubs)
- Tables
- L. Roach expressed a need for additional *Tales* tour guides; Julie Symopoulos, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board Vice Chair, volunteered to serve as a guide, if needed.
- J. Symopoulos inquired about the installation timeline for the Double Butte Cemetery Public Artwork Element; Rachael Peterson, City of Tempe Library and Cultural Services Division Administrative Assistant, confirmed that the Cemetery Artwork Element installation timeline has not changed (artwork element installation will occur according to current, existing installation schedule).

Agenda Item 5B: Report - Public Programs

- Shirley McKean reported that the Tempe History Museum is playing host to a film series titled, "Cadillac Desert." McKean explained that the film series tells the story of Los Angeles Water Department Chief William Mulholland; McKean added that the series weaves-together the past and present to illustrate water's essential role in the history of Los Angeles, as well as the city's challenges for the future. McKean further explained that Dr. Chris Smith, Professor of History at Arizona State University (ASU), will portray W. Mulholland at a Tempe Historical Society Luncheon Talk; S. McKean added that the series will address both local and international water issues.
- S. McKean praised the Tempe History Museum staff members for their continued efforts to facilitate high-quality, successful programming within the Tempe History Museum.

Agenda Item 5C: Report - Policy, Procedures and Accessions (P.P.A.) Committee

- Anne Chandler, Policy, Procedures and Accessions (P.P.A.) Committee Representative, presented the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board with a statistics report compiled by Josh Roffler, Curator of Collections at the Tempe History Museum.
- A. Chandler stated that the Tempe History Museum received 16 current, provisional deposits in Sept., 2010. Chandler further reported that there are no new acquisitions per J. Roffler; A. Chandler stated that Chuck Corning (Tempe Police Department) loaned a bomb-proof suit to the Tempe History Museum to be displayed within the Tempe Police Headquarters.
- A. Chandler acknowledged the following new provisional deposits:
 - Bottle of Whiskey with Frank Kush Label (Jeff Pinney)
 - Washing Machine (Judy Reiner)
 - Photos of Sky Harbor and Tempe Houses (Judy Reiner)
 - City Council Photos; 2009 (Tempe History Museum)
- A. Chandler reported that per J. Roffler, the Tempe History Museum intends to receive and accept a delivery of an archaeological collection from the La Plaza site, excavated during the construction processes of the Tempe Transportation Center and the Light Rail projects.
- A. Chandler further reported that the Tempe History Museum staff continues to select and mount artifacts to be displayed at the Tempe Police Headquarters.

Agenda Item 8D: Report - Tempe Historic Preservation Commission

- Lisa Roach, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board Chair, reported that she did not attend the Sept., 2010, meeting of the Tempe Historic Preservation Commission.
- Victor Linoff, Tempe Historic Preservation Commission member, facilitated a report outlining the present status of the Tempe Historic Preservation Commission.
- V. Linoff explained that additional grant funding is available to increase the term of service of three of the Commission's interns; V. Linoff further noted that the interns are currently working within the following areas:
 - The Kirkland-McKinney Ditch (Survey Research)
 - The Tempe Buttes, and the Home of Governor Howard Pyle (Historic Site (Nominations))
 - Hudson Manor (Research)
- V. Linoff reported that the Tempe Historic Preservation Commission is scheduled to meeting at 6 p.m. on Oct. 14 within Hatton Hall.
- V. Linoff encouraged the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board members to attend the Eisendrath House fundraising event on Oct. 22, 2010.
- V. Linoff further reported that the Tempe Historic Preservation Commission and the Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation groups are partnering to create identification plaques for historic properties within Tempe.

Agenda Item 5E: Report - Tempe Historical Society

- Betty Enz, Tempe Historical Society member, acknowledged that the following events are sponsored in-part by the Tempe Historical Society and are scheduled to take place within the Tempe History Museum:
 - Performances at the Museum: A Concert with *Mariachi Corazon de Phoenix* (7 p.m., Oct. 9, Tempe Community Center Complex Courtyard)
 - Tempe Tardeada (8 p.m., Oct. 10, Tempe Community Center Complex (Courtyard))
 - Tempe Historical Society Lunch Talk: Your Musical Brain - Can Music Make You Smarter? (11:30 a.m., Oct. 13, Tempe History Museum Community Room)

Agenda Item 5F: Report - Diversity Awareness Committee

- Julie Symopoulos, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board Vice Chair and Diversity Awareness Committee Chair, reported that she plans to attend an African American Advisory Committee meeting scheduled to take place at 1 p.m. on Oct. 8, 2010, in the Tempe History Museum Board Room.

Agenda Item 5G: Report - Oral History Committee

- No report.

Agenda Item 6 - Board Member Announcements

- No announcements.

Agenda Item 7 - Future Agenda Items

- Lisa Roach, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board Chair, suggested that the following items be placed on future board agendas:

- Program Attendance Statistics Report
- State of Arizona Centennial Project Report

The next meeting of the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board is scheduled to take place at 9 a.m. on Nov. 4 in the Tempe History Museum Board Room, 809 E. Southern Avenue, Tempe, AZ, 85282.

Meeting adjourned at 10 a.m.

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Reviewed by: Dr. Amy Douglass, Tempe History Museum Administrator

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