



City of North Port

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NORTH PORT, FL 34286

Meeting Minutes - Draft Historic and Cultural Advisory Board

Thursday, September 12, 2019

6:00 PM

CITY HALL ROOM 244

1. Call to Order

Chair Sterner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present 4 - Chair Chris Sterner, Vice-Chair Bill Goetz, Board Member Michelle Calhoun, and Board Member Skip Felicita

Absent 1 - Joan Morgan

Also Present:

Senior Planner Heather Hansen and Recording Secretary Susan Hale.

3. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board.

4. Public Comment

Commissioner McDowell: Warm Mineral Springs on the National Registry for Historic Places.

5. Approval of Minutes

[19-0850](#)

Approval of Minutes for the August 8, 2019 Historic & Cultural Advisory Board Regular Meeting.

A motion was made by Board Member Felicita, seconded by Board Member Calhoun, to approve the August 8, 2019 Historic & Cultural Advisory Board Regular Meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

6. New Business

[19-1010](#)

Discussion of Items on Agenda for Joint Meeting with Commission (Historical Timeline, Board Notification of Projects, Veterans Park, Draft Intake Form)

Chair Sterner introduced the item.

Discussion ensued regarding the historical timeline, including using pictures as suggestions to Commission, starting at a paleo-lithic archaic time, including geological aspects, native people and cultures, modern development changing the landscape, including modern historical events, an archive depository, identifying cultures that lived here, and significance of historical issues to be determined by the Board.

Discussion ensued regarding the tribute wall at the aquatic center, including the cultural aspect of the tribute wall, ancient sea creatures, contacting Little Salt Spring staff, statues of paleolithic creatures, informational panels, finding an appropriate venue for appropriate ideas, overall Commission direction needed.

Discussion ensued regarding the Board notification of projects, including the lack of communication between the Board and City staff, Board being kept apprised of projects, staff's inability to recognize Federally protected sites, reports of looting local ancient sites, professional input offered by Board Members, protected zones as designated on the 2015 City map, native American burial areas, referring to the Florida Master Site File prior to work projects, and compliance and review of existing City guidelines.

Discussion ensued regarding Veterans' Park, including moving Veterans Park, requirements to use Arts in Public Places funding, need for shade and additional space, site suggestions, and selling bricks as a fundraiser.

Discussion ensued regarding the draft intake form, including Commission approval.

7. Updates

An update was requested at the next meeting regarding the Sarasota County Centennial 2021 celebration.

8. Future Agenda Items

Discussion ensued regarding including an agenda item explaining the Certified Local Government status on the Commission Joint Meeting, and support from the national program resources and staff.

9. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

10. Adjournment

Chair Sterner adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Chris Sterner,
Chair

Minutes were approved at the Historic and Cultural Advisory Board meeting this ____ day of _____, 2019.