

1 **PROVIDENCE CITY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

2 **MEETING AGENDA**

3 164 North Gateway Drive, Providence UT

4 March 22, 2018 6:00 p.m.

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6 Call to Order: Howard Christenson

7 Attendance: Wes Bitters, Howard Christenson, Gail Trowbridge

8 **Minutes:**

9 Item No. 1. Approval of the Minutes. The HPC will consider approval of the minutes from the
10 January 16, 2018 Historic Preservation Commission meeting.

11 **Motion to approve the minutes – W Bitters, second – G Trowbridge**

12 **Yea: W Bitters, H Christenson, G Trowbridge**

13 **Nay: None**

14 **Abstained: None**

15 **Excused: None**

16 Corrections:

- 17 • None

18 **Discussion Items:**

19 The Commission switched the order of discussion.

20 Item No. 2. Discussion – Providence City Artifacts: The HPC will discuss the artwork loan
21 agreement, placement, and storage of artifacts that have been donated to the City over the
22 years.

23 The Astle Family, represented by Dale Astle, would like to loan the City a painting by Ev
24 [Everett Clark] Thorpe depicting early Providence.

- 25 • S Bankhead reported the City Attorney prepared the proposed agreement.
26 • H Christenson reported he reviewed the agreement and felt it was okay.
27 • Mayor Drew would like to put an article in the newsletter showing the picture and
28 asking for more artifacts.
29 • D Astle explained the Astle family owns the original painting. The late artist, Ev Thorpe,
30 holds the copyright. D Astle worked with Doris Thorpe, E Thorpe's wife to get an
31 agreement to make copies.
32 • D Astle reviewed the history of the painting. D Astle's grandfather originally
33 commissioned the painting in 1936. D Astle's grandfather presented the painting to the
34 [The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints] Providence 1st Ward in appreciation for
35 the positive way he had been treated. After the picture was taken down, the Church
36 returned the painting to the family. Shortly after that, D Astle had the picture restored
37 and it was displayed in the Providence City Office at 15 South Main. The Astle Family
38 would like to see the painting displayed in the current city office.
39 • The location of the picture was discussed. Mayor Drew explained the options at the top
40 of the stairs or the west wall of the council room. D Astle felt the west wall of the city
41 council room would be the safest place. It was decided the west wall in the city council
42 room would be the best location. The lighting was also discussed. D Astle felt LED
43 lighting would be fine.
44 • Gail Trowbridge thanked the Astles for graciously allowing

45 **Motion to accept the gracious gift from the Astle Family and hang the picture on the west wall**
46 **of the City Council room – W Bitters, second – G Trowbridge**

47 **Yea: W Bitters, H Christenson, G Trowbridge**

1 **Nay: None**

2 **Abstained: None**

3 **Excused: None**

- 4 • D Astle is also a member of the Pioneer Heritage Corporation. He asked that when H
5 Christenson talks with the Ken Braegger Family that he mention the Pioneer Heritage
6 Corporation is interested in preserving K Braegger's writings.

7 Item No. 1. Certified Local Government (CLG) Grant: The HPC will discuss the progress of the
8 CLG Grant projects.

- 9 • The HPC discussed the following questions from Angie Abram, the intensive level survey
10 consultant. They did not think the building in question one was ever destroyed. They
11 discussed the some of the businesses that had been housed in the building such as,
12 barbershop, grocery store, and garage.

13 1. The records for 2 North Main say that the building dates from 1958. I
14 believe most of it dates from 1905. Does anyone have any knowledge that
15 the building was destroyed at any point? My research shows that the 1957
16 date is probably from the drive-in addition and remodel.

17 2. Does Providence City have any records from the 1920s-1960s showing
18 incorporations/local taxes and/or leases? I'm still looking at post office
19 locations and exact business names. I can find out the postmasters based on
20 national records, but the locations are proving more difficult. The first time
21 that city directories identified a discrete post office is 1921, which would be at
22 the end of Elias P. Hansen's (Hanson's?) tenure as postmaster, so I believe it
23 was also in his house, much like Adoph Baer.

24 3. Based on tax records for Cache County, I believe the Milton D. Hamilton
25 constructed a house at 5 South Main Street in 1884-85 which became the
26 Providence Cooperative Mercantile Institute after being sold in 1886. The
27 1950s-1970s tax assessment records contradict that and say 1895 for the
28 construction date. I've seen your pictures which show it already constructed
29 in 1890, but just wanted to make sure what I was looking at seemed correct.

30 **Motion that H Christenson research the questions and respond to A Abrams – W Bitters,
31 second – G Trowbridge.**

32 **Yea: W Bitters, H Christenson, G Trowbridge**

33 **Nay: None**

34 **Abstained: None**

35 **Excused: None**

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37 Wes Bitters will attend the preservation workshop.

38 Motion to adjourn – W Bitters, second – G Trowbridge

39 **Yea: W Bitters, H Christenson, G Trowbridge**

40 **Nay: None**

41 **Abstained: None**

42 **Excused: None**

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44 APPROVED April 17, 2018

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48 Howard Christenson, Chair

Skarlet Bankhead, City Recorder