

1 **PROVIDENCE CITY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

2 **April 6, 2021 6:00 PM**

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4 **Location:** Providence City Office Building, 164 North Gateway Drive, Providence UT

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6 **Call to Order:** Howard Christenson, Chair

7 Attendance: Wes Bitters, Howard Christenson, Gail Trowbridge, Pat Perry

8 Absent: Sharon Johnson

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10 **Approval of Minutes:**

11 **Item No. 1.** The HPC will consider for approval the minutes of February 18, 2020.

12 ***Motion to approve the minutes of February 18, 2020: — P Perry, second — W Bitters***

13 ***Vote:***

14 ***Yea: W Bitters, H Christenson, G Trowbridge, P Perry***

15 ***Nay:***

16 ***Abstained:***

17 ***Absent: S Johnson***

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19 **Discussion Item(s):**

20 HPC will discuss the following items:

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22 **Item No. 1.** Proposal for a plaque commemorating the Max Johnson Field at Zollinger Park.

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 - Curt Webb of Providence spoke about the background for the proposal and the history of Providence's baseball program. When they built the field, they told people the people who donated that they would be recognized.
 - A location for the plaque was discussed.
 - The cost for the plaque and the base were discussed.

28 ***Motion to approve the plaque for the baseball court, and also that we explore the possibility of funding the plaque: — W Bitters, second — P Perry***

29 ***Vote:***

30 ***Yea: W Bitters, H Christenson, G Trowbridge, P Perry***

31 ***Nay:***

32 ***Abstained:***

33 ***Absent: S Johnson***

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36 **Item No. 2.** Progress on the placement of the plaque commemorating the Utah Idaho Central Railroad.

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 - Where to place the plaque was discussed. The majority of the Commission favored putting it by the small pavilion at Zollinger Park. S Bankhead said that she will have our parks superintendent contact the Chair about the best location to place it near the pavilion.

40 ***Motion to put the railroad plaque near the pavilion at the ballpark: — W Bitters, second — G Trowbridge***

41 ***Vote:***

42 ***Yea: W Bitters, H Christenson, G Trowbridge, P Perry***

43 ***Nay:***

44 ***Abstained:***

45 ***Absent: S Johnson***

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48 **Item No. 3.** Discussion of ideas and places for future commemorative plaques.

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 - Kathleen Alder of Providence has matching funds available from the Providence Pioneer Heritage Committee. The Commission discussed places where markers or other historic preservation projects could be built with the funds.

- 52 • The old post office was discussed. Putting plaques at parks that are named after people was
53 discussed.
54 • Making Curt Webb’s baseball plaque larger was discussed. He said he would look into making it a
55 little bigger.
56 • Budget and matching was discussed. Creating a list to present to City Council for a budget
57 request was discussed.
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59 Item No. 4. Progress on the project to write the history of the water canal/irrigation systems in
60 Providence City.

- 61 • The research conducted by Dr. Anderson of USU was discussed. We are waiting to see if the
62 [USU] library will host the online exhibit.
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64 Item No. 5. Review of the providenceuthistory.com website.

- 65 • S Bankhead asked about the headstone pictures on the cemetery website. H Christenson said
66 that the pictures are on the website BillionGraves.com.
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68 Other Discussion:

- 69 • S Bankhead spoke about trainings that the Commission members should complete.
70 • W Bitters brought up a master’s thesis that was done at USU about the fruit farms that were in
71 Providence. He would like to link it to our website.
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73 ***Motion to adjourn: — P Perry, second — W Bitters***

74 ***Vote:***

75 ***Yea: W Bitters, H Christenson, G Trowbridge, P Perry***

76 ***Nay:***

77 ***Abstained:***

78 ***Absent: S Johnson***

79 Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:40 PM

80 Minutes prepared by Jesse Bardsley
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Howard Christenson, Chair

Skarlet Bankhead, City Recorder