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FLORENCE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Tuesday, March 25, 2025
4:30 P.M.

Members	Present	Absent
Chair Angel	X	
Vice Chair Wintz	X	
Member Black	X	
Member McMillin	X	
Member Dixon	X	
Member Kinzer		X
Member Stuart		X
Council Representative MacKinnon	X	

Staff Present	Present	Absent
Planning Director Fox	X	

- I. Call to Order**
Chair Angel called meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.
- II. Roll Call**
Member Kinzer and Stuart absent. Member McMillin arrived at 4:56 p.m.
All the other members present.
Council Representative MacKinnon present.
- III. Approval of Minutes of the February 25, 2025 Meeting**
Member Black makes a motion to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2025 Meeting.
Seconded by Chair Angel
Roll Call 4 Ayes



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IV. Discussion -

a) **Local Historical Registry Plaque –**

- Chair Angel states that the Florence High School Technology Department has limited capabilities in producing or designing a plaque. He recommends providing them with information, such as address and construction date, from a local historic registry site, so they could potentially create a design that meets the Commission's expectations.

b) **Historic Context study, South Union Street –**

- *Member Stuart was not present to provide an update on the project she has been working on.*
- Chair Angel states that the project could be coming to an end since there are not many historical structures left in the area.
- Member Wintz inquires about the possibility of highlighting the area's history, regardless of the absence of historical structures.

c) **Florence Context Survey Project monthly report –**

- Member Wintz states the report outlines the Florence Archives activities along with upcoming events that the committee will be participating in. Expanded on the 250/150 Commission that the Archives is working on as well.

d) **Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month –**

- Planning Director states that May is Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month and encouraged members to email any ideas for promotion.

e) **San Juan Bautista Cemetery –**

- The Planning Director states that Member Stuart had initially been working with Mr. Archuletta regarding the local historic designation of the cemetery. The Planning Director further states then began considering whether the cemetery might also be relevant to the ongoing 250/150 Commission and reached out to Lindsey at History Colorado to explore that possibility. Lindsey responded that the cemetery could indeed be a potential candidate and recommended contacting Eric Newcombe, the State and National Register Historian for History Colorado. After being provided with some background on the cemetery, Mr. Newcombe asked for its location and confirmed that it does have a record in the State's system and has been assigned a site number. He noted that the cemetery was determined "field not eligible" in 1975,



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meaning a historian or cultural resource manager conducted a preliminary field inventory and concluded it was likely not eligible for listing in the State or National Register of Historic Places. However, Mr. Newcombe clarified that this determination was an informal recommendation rather than an official evaluation. If the community wishes to pursue a formal review, the appropriate paperwork can be submitted to initiate that process.

- The Planning Director inquired whether the Commission would like staff to pursue this matter further.
- The Commission agreed that staff should pursue the subject further.

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

By: _____
Historic Preservation Chair

Date: _____