

UNM Historic Preservation Committee
Agenda
Monday, February 5, 2018
11:00 PM-12:00 PM

Agenda Items:

- Item 1: Approval of minutes December 4, 2017
- Item 2: Anthology Bldg. 11, update on plaza Gate renovation
- Item 3: Anthropology update on Bldg11 Maxwell museum request to alter entry lobby doors
- Item 4: Update on Biology Annex, Bldg. 19 reuse and renovation plans
- Item 5: SHPO section 106 review process- Smith Plaza (Pat Hogan)
- Item 6: Review plans for Johnson Center renovation
- Item 7: Update on Adams Murals in Zimmerman Library (Maxine Marks)
- Item 8: Historic Preservation Committee membership vacancies
- Item 9: Historic Preservation course work update (Francisco)

Attendees: Steve Yourstone, Al Sena, Pat Hogan, Francisco Uviña, Portia Vescio, Taudy Miller, Audra Bellmore (videoconferencing), Leroy Duarte, Maxine Marks

Item 1: Portia moves to approve the December 2017 minutes. Steve Yourstone seconds the motion. Minutes approved by unanimous acclamation.

Item 2: Taudy Miller shares request from the UNM Anthropology Museum to alter entry lobby doors. The museum is concerned about security and would like to make the entryway more pleasing and inviting. They would like to alter the door window panes. Pat clarifies that this portion of the building is a 1972 addition designed to match the original 1930's building. Brass or wrought iron would be more suitable for fixtures. Also, there are no single-pane windows. Francisco Uviña also states that the hardware and latches should be of a more compatible material.

Steve Yourstone comments that the current design and fixtures are not historically correct and should be more traditional. Pat Hogan observes that the interior doors are original to the 1930's building. Al Sena, Francisco Uviña, and Taudy Miller agree that the entry could be more welcoming with better signage and more clear glass. Francisco Uviña suggests that signage on the glass could be a suitable solution. Taudy Miller added that there is a type of security film that could be used on the glass. Pat Hogan and Francisco Uviña remind the committee that from a strict historic preservation standpoint, the divided lites need to remain. Also, they would require individual glazing and new hardware. The committee discusses the urgency of the request and Pat Hogan asks if this is time-sensitive. Taudy Miller indicates that it would be ideal to respond with enough time for them to act before the end of the fiscal year. Pat Hogan suggested that the Anthropology staff be invited to an HPC meeting.

Pat Hogan move to recommend to them that they replace individual lites with safety film, change out brass hardware to in-kind matching older parts of the building, maintain turquoise color, and consider some signage. Al Sena seconds the motion. Unanimous approval.

Item 3: Taudy Miller shares photographs of Maxwell Museum courtyard open wrought iron gates. The museum needs to secure the courtyard because the current gate is insufficient. They would like to replace the current gate or add to it to make the grid tighter with less large openings so the gate cannot be opened from outside the courtyard when locked. Pat Hogan asks when the grating was installed, but it is unknown. Francisco Uviña wonders if it is possible to switch the latch and Al Sena asks about adding a screen. Taudy Miller said that aesthetics is an issue and the screen idea really did not look suitable. Francisco Uviña offered to visit the gate and look at its construction and design. Al Sena reminded the committee the gate would require a panic bar. Pat Hogan and Francisco Uviña would like to know the installation date of the gate. Taudy Miller said that she will retrieve the drawings to find out. Portia Vescio

motioned to table the issue until the March meeting and Francisco Uviña seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Item 4: Taudy Miller updated the committee on plans for the Biology Annex and the SHAC situation. After a study, it was determined that SHAC can move into the basement of their current building where Honors College is currently located. Honors College will move to Anderson 1st floor which is ideal because of adjacency to the dorms. This arrangement is available for 5 years. Steve Yourstone added that the 2nd phase of the Anderson construction could provide more space for Honors College on the ground floor.

Taudy Miller reported that the biology annex drawings are going out for RFP to remodel the interior of annex for natural history science center and the large invertebrate collection from Northrop Hall. Museum Studies will also have access, classrooms and museum storage. The RFP requires Historic Preservation committee review. The remodel must be sensitive to historic preservation. Architects must provide preservation and DOI museum collections expertise. The RFP includes the requirement that the plan goes to HPC for review.

Pat Hogan suggested that it be moved off of Tier 3 and Audra Bellmore indicated that there should be a formal effort to move it onto Tier 2.

Pat Hogan makes a motion to shift Biology Annex listing from Tier 3 to Tier 2.

Al Sena inquires of the reference criteria to see if such a move is defensible. Pat Hogan explains that it is listed as Tier 3 because it was slated for demo. Audra Bellmore reports that it is National Register eligible, automatically qualifying it as a Tier 2 building. Pat Hogan adds that is one of the oldest campus buildings. Audra Bellmore adds that it is the first post-war Meem building. Al Sena asks if the plans for new use are affected by a tier change. Audra Bellmore clarifies that because of the interior, lost murals etc. it would be fine to move forward as long as there no major exterior changes right now. Taudy Miller adds that anything going forward, that HPC will review. Audra Bellmore added that if there are later exterior modifications they will be evaluated as Tier 2. Al Sena asked if Tier 2 designation might cause restraints for interior remodel. Audra Bellmore, Pat Hogan, and Taudy Miller all agree that it only applies to exterior defining features. Discussion turned to the mural and Taudy Miller reported that the issue came up five years ago. Steve Prins & Assoc. assessed whether we could conserve it, but it was painted directly on concrete blocks and the only way was to pull blocks apart and repaint it. Pharmacy folks found photos of the mural and sell prints of it. The mural was originally painted for pharmacy and depicted the age of pharmacy and mixing ingredients

Steve Yourstone seconds Pat Hogan's motion to shift Biology Annex listing from Tier 3 to Tier 2. All in favor.

Item 5: Pat Hogan reports on Smith Plaza issues. In the HPC June meeting, the committee looked at proposed changes. SHPO expressed interest and concern regarding the process. They are concerned with Union Plaza preservation guidelines. The planter boxes up at top with Navy bell may end up being an adverse effect because Union Plaza. Those features reserved as character defining (check Getty plan), but there is an issue about section 106 reviews between EPA and SHPO. More general discussion about preservation plan. Audra Bellmore says that hard sell, lose a lot of control as once it's a district it goes to much higher review. Taudy Miller says that UNM was defined by a street grid which, translated to plaza formation preserved now in walkways. The idea that the fabric of the buildings relates to open space doesn't hold water.

Pat Hogan clarifies that the plan defines them as heritage zones and there should not be any willy-nilly development. Taudy Miller indicates that the forms (Getty Survey) should be made available online. Francisco Uviña would like a hardcopy and Maxine Marks will order one for him.

Item 6: Maxine Marks reports on the progress of the murals class dealing with the Adams' murals. Audra Bellmore asks whether the taskforce is dealing with appraisal of murals. Taudy Miller reports that the

taskforce has no real authority and that the Regents and President must approve any decisions about the murals. Pat Hogan reminds the committee that whatever happens, there is a mandatory consultation with SHPO required. Taudy Miller said that in the progression of the proposals that should reviewed before they even go the Regents.

Audra Bellmore asks if there is perhaps a way of moving forward through facilities planning by obtaining a current appraisal? His artwork goes for 6 figures and the Regents might appreciate this information. Pat Hogan adds that they should be part of the insurance plan. Audra Bellmore thinks that a comparative analysis of murals with current values, selling values would be pertinent information.

Item 7: Francisco Uviña update on his class. The class is very small but they prepared proposals for the pump house that would reuse the structure and not demolish it. They proposed a few things and they will also look at other structures as well.

Item 9: President Stokes is coming in next week. The University House needs a security camera system. It would a residential style of security system. Taudy Miller clarified that affixed cameras have to go through SHPO and HPC. Pat Hogan tabled it and indicated the matter would be taken care of via email.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:30pm.