

REGULAR MEETING – HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

Tuesday, July 18, 2023

Minutes for the Regular Historic Preservation Board meeting for the City of Daytona Beach, Florida, held on Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in Commission Chambers of City Hall, 301 S. Ridgewood Avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida

Board Members present were as follows:

Ms. Tracey Remark, Chair
Mr. Joseph Vetter, Vice Chair
Mr. Warren Trager Secretary
Mr. Thomas Makowski
Mr. Daniel Harshaw
Mr. Timothy Nakasawa

Board Members absent:

Mr. Fernando Neves

Staff members present:

Mr. Doug Gutierrez, Principal Planner
Ms. Kira Honse, Assistant City Attorney
Ms. Vanessa Trimble, Development Review Technician
Ms. Paula Long, Planner
Ms. Becky Groom, Board Secretary

1. **Call to Order**

Ms. Remark, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Roll was called with members present as listed above.

3. **Approval of Minutes:** March 21, 2023 and April 18, 2023

Chair Remark provided written changes which she stated were grammatical which she would like incorporated into the minutes of the March 21, 2023 minutes.

Mr. Vetter asked that the name be corrected for Bill Schumann, not Schumer.

Board Action:

A motion was made by Mr. Trager, seconded by Mr. Nakasawa, to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2023 minutes with corrections as noted. The motion carried (6-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Trager, seconded by Mr. Harshaw, to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2023 minutes with corrections. The motion carried (6-0).

4. **A. Discussion Item: Jackie Robinson Ballpark NHL – Letter of Inquiry:**

Mr. Vetter stated he anticipates No. 6 possibly being an issue and feels it lacks significant proof and No. 4 is related to No. 6.

Ms. Honse stated she has concerns with No. 4 since the structure of the field may not be consistent with today's MLB requirements.

Mr. Vetter stated he agrees with Ms. Honse and stated he feels No. 4 and 6 should be deleted.

The Board discussed the Letter of Inquiry at length; and Chair Remark referred to information from the National Park Service. The Board agreed the information should be incorporated into the Letter of Inquiry.

Mr. Gutierrez stated the Board's recommendation will be presented to the City Commission for consideration.

Chair Remark suggested Mr. Vetter and Mr. Gutierrez meeting to discuss incorporating the changes the Board discussed into the Letter of Inquiry. Mr. Vetter and Mr. Gutierrez agreed.

Mr. Vetter stated based on discussions with the NPA, it is an achievable goal to have the historic designation in place by 2026.

Board Action:

A motion was made by Mr. Nakasawa, seconded by Mr. Harshaw, to allow Mr. Vetter and Mr. Gutierrez to edit the document based on the Board's discussion and authorize staff to proceed to submit the Letter of Inquiry for the Jackie Robinson Ballpark NHL. The motion carried (6-0).

B. Discussion Item: Historic District Signage Maps

Mr. Gutierrez stated Mr. Neves provide him with his recommendations on the signage.

Chair Remark stated the historic signs could be placed above the existing street signs which would not require the placement of additional sign poles. The Board agreed with the concept.

Mr. Gutierrez stated he will check to make sure that can be done.

Mr. Vetter stated there is a marker in place for the bandshell so one would not be required.

Chair Remark stated the markers for Seabreeze would be just back from A1A on University; at the intersection of University and Halifax; Earl Street and Halifax; Ora and Grandview; and Seabreeze back from A1A.

Mr. Gutierrez stated he would check about the placement of the signage on State and County roads.

Chair Remark stated for South Beach, the signs could be at Beach and ISB; 2 on Orange and Beach; Beach and Loomis; and Palmetto.

Chair Remark stated for the South Atlantic district, the marker should be placed at Grandview and ISB.

Mr. Gutierrez stated he will contact Bethune-Cookman representatives regarding marker placement.

Board Action:

A motion was made by Mr. Nakasawa, seconded by Mr. Trager, to approve the Historic District Signage location for Seabreeze, South Atlantic, and South Beach, in accordance with the Board's discussion and recommendations. The motion carried (6-0).

C. Discussion Item: Historic and Cultural Facilities Element

The Board agreed to provide comments in writing regarding the Historic and Cultural Facilities Element of the Comprehensive Plan at the August 15, 2023 meeting.

Mr. Gutierrez stated he would like Chair Remark's assistance in revising the Comprehensive Plan. Chair Remark stated she would be glad to help.

5. **Other Business**

Chair Remark stated she viewed the DVD “Breaking Barriers” which is about the first game where Jackie Robinson played in Daytona Beach. Chair Remark stated she spoke with George and Bill Bates, noting George Bates was the bay boy at that game. Chair Remark stated she would like to interview others who were in attendance at that game. There were no objections from the Board.

6. **Staff Update**

Mr. Gutierrez stated the City is still looking for two Senior Planners and noted Paula Long, a Planner for the City of Daytona Beach, will be replacing him as the Board liaison. Mr. Gutierrez stated he will be assuming the responsibilities for TRT.

7. **Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

8. **Board Comments**

Mr. Vetter stated there was a large turnout for History-con at the Museum of Arts and Sciences this past week.

9. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Tracey Remark, Chair

Becky Groom, Board Secretary