
Iowa Capitol Planning Commission Minutes

Wednesday, July 19, 2023

Ola Babcock Building - Conference Room 300

(1:03 – 1:25 p.m.)

Members Present

Annette Renaud, Chair
Matt Davis
Carol Grant

Director Adam Steen, Secretar
Representative Sean Bagniewski

Members Absent

Brett Seelman, Vice Chair
Malcolm Hankins
Tracee Knapp

Senator Janet Petersen
Senator Carrie Koelker
Representative Jacob Bossman

Department of Administrative Services (DAS) Staff Present for All or Portions of the Meeting

Suzy Trotter

Others Present for All or Portions of the Meeting

Mark Willemsen, Legislative Facilities
Brian Guillaume, Legislative House
Maria Wagenhofer, Legislative Services Agency

Serena Adams, Legislative Services Agency
Xavier Leonard, Legislative Services Agency

Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. by Chair Renaud.

Meeting Overview and Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Carol Grant made a motion to approve the agenda. Matt Davis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Election of Capitol Planning Commission Chair and Vice Chair

Chair Renaud opened nominations for the biennial election of Chair and Vice Chair from its membership.

MOTION: Carol Grant nominated Annette Renaud as Chair and Brett Seelman for Vice Chair of the Capitol Planning Commission. No other nominations were made. Director Steen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes from April 19, 2023

MOTION: Carol Grant made a motion to approve the minutes. Matt Davis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Committee Updates

Master Plan

Chair Renaud reported there were no updates to the Master Plan.

Site Features

Suzy Trotter reported the Monument Conservation Fund raised \$215,982.40 through private donations, a legislative match and interest since the beginning of the project in 2017. Per the direction of the Commission, DAS has allocated \$214,349.00 of the funds for the restoration of the non-endowed monuments on the Complex.

Suzy Trotter reported Dimensional Innovations is not able to provide a timeline for the install of the Holocaust Memorial due to unforeseen issues with sandblasting and its powder coat process.

Staff Reports/Project Updates

Legislative Update

Suzy Trotter reported on behalf of Tami Wiencek, there are no legislative updates.

Chair Renaud requested an update regarding the FY2022 Annual Report concerning the Commission's FY2024 recommendations, specifically, the request of the Legislature to remove the match requirement for the Monument Conservation Fund and issue the remaining funds to the Commission for maintenance of non-endowed monuments. The FY2022 Annual Report was submitted in January 2023. DAS is not aware of any further discussions.

Construction Update

Suzy Trotter reported on behalf of Charlee Cross. Current projects include include ice mitigation on the east elevated walkway at Hoover, repairs to Parking Lot 1 and repairs to the parking ramp.

Mark Willemsen reported the Capitol Building projects include the replacement of deteriorating bricks in the smaller domes from water infiltration, gutter improvements, and window painting. The north domes are complete. The project included replacing the House Chamber skylights. Contractors are working on the south domes and are replacing the Senate Chamber sky light. Work should be done in November of this year.

Other Business

Upcoming Meeting

October 19, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.

Chair Renaud requested the meeting include an overview of the Master Plan from Matt Carlile and a discussion concerning the communications with the City of Des Moines regarding the Capitol Dominance Area.

Adjourn

Chair Renaud adjourned the meeting at 1:25 p.m.