



Savannah - Chatham County Historic Site & Monument Commission

Arthur A. Mendonsa Hearing Room
June 1, 2017 4:00 P.M.
Meeting Minutes

JUNE 1, 2017 SAVANNAH - CHATHAM COUNTY HISTORIC SITE & MONUMENT COMMISSION

Members Present: Eli Karatassos, Chair
Thomas Gensheimer, Vice-Chair
Dolores Engle
Dr. Nicholas Henry
Ryan Madson
Kristopher Monroe

MPC Staff Present: Ellen Harris, Director of Urban Planning and Historic Preservation
Sara Farr, Historic Preservation Planner
Mary E. Mitchell, Administrative Assistant

I. Call to Order and Welcome

[1. Order And Welcome](#)

Mr. Karatassos called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance. He outlined the role of the Historic Site and Monument Commission.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

[2. Approval of May 4, 2017 Meeting Minutes](#)

[☞ May 4, 2017 Minutes.pdf](#)

Motion

The Savannah-Chatham Historic Site and Monument Commission does hereby approve May 4, 2017 Meeting Minutes.

Vote Results (Approved)

Motion: Ryan Madson

Second: Kristopher Monroe

Dolores Engle - Aye

Thomas Gensheimer - Aye

Dr. Nicholas Henry - Aye

Eli Karatassos - Aye

Ryan Madson - Aye

III. Regular Agenda

[3. Downtown Streetscape Improvement Initiative Presentation- Bridget Lidy](#)

Ms. Bridget Lidy, Director of Tourism Management and Ambassadorship and Mr. Doug Patton, Senior Civil Engineer were present to make a presentation on behalf of the "Savannah Downtown Streetscapes" project.

Ms. Lidy explained that the focus areas are:

- Pedestrian and ADA Safety
- Bicycle Safety
- Vehicular Functionality
- Smart Transportation Design
- Historic Preservation
- Visual Identity
- Activities and Events

Ms. Lidy stated that the tentative deadlines are:

Construction plans begin :	2nd Quarter 2017
Project bidding begins:	4th Quarter 2017
Phase I Construction begins:	1st Quarter 2018

Ms. Lidy said that any historical marker or public art will be submitted for approval to the Historic Site and Monument Commission.

The Commission thanked Ms. Lidy and Mr. Patton for coming to the meeting and sharing the information on the project.

IV. Other Business

[4. Commissioner Items](#)

[5. Next Meeting - Thursday, July 6, 2017 at 4:00 pm in the Arthur A. Mendonsa Hearing Room, MPC, 112 E State Street](#)

V. Adjournment

[6. Adjourned](#)

There being no further business to come before the HSMC, Mr. Karatassos adjourned the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ms. Ellen Harris
Director of Urban Planning and Historic Preservation

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adopted by the respective Board. Verbatim transcripts of minutes are the responsibility of the interested party.