

Kennewick Historic Preservation Commission: 7/15/2025 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm.

Roll Call:

Present: Chair Harper, Vice Chair Clark, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Nelson, Commissioner Robinson.

Absent: Commissioner Holt, Commissioner Smith – excused (moved by Vice Chair Clark, seconded by Commissioner Robinson, unanimous approval).

Ms. Didier declared a quorum achieved.

Staff Present: Matt Halitsky, Senior Planner; Melinda Didier, Administrative Assistant

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of Agenda
- b. Approval of 20 May 2025 Minutes

Commissioner Simmons moved to approve the Consent Agenda; Vice Chair Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Visitors Not on the Agenda: None

Old Business:

- a. Status of 2025 CLG Grant – DHAP received notice they will receive the Federal grant funds; they have not received them to date, and will wait until funding is certain.
- b. 2026 CLG Grant Application Presentation – Friday, July 25, 2025 at 8:30 am Chair Harper will present our application online; anyone can view the presentation as well.
- c. Farmers Exchange Building – We have received informal notice from DAHP the building has been placed on the National Historic Register – there will be a press release later.

New Business:

- a. Mr. Halitsky reported there will be a downtown historic property owner on Albany Street with a large addition that will have a Certificate of Appropriateness to review.

Reports, Comments or Discussion of Commissioners and Staff:

- a. Vice Chair Clark asked about the old Fire Station 1 and plans for a new City Hall.
- b. Commissioner Simmons asked about increasing public awareness for addition to local Historic Register.
- c. Mr. Halitsky will send the Zoom link to the 7/25/2025 presentation to DAHP.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 5:11 PM.