



PLANNING DIVISION
HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, July 9, 2026 at 5:30 PM
City & County Building
451 South State Street, Room 326
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

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ATTENDANCE

Commissioners Present	Vice Chair Alan Barnett, Commissioners Michael Abrahamson, Steven Cornell, Babs De Lay, Emoli Kearns, Mark McGrath, Taymour Semnani, and Rosemary Stum
Commissioners Absent	Carlton Getz, Adrienne White
City Staff in Attendance	Planning Managers Amy Thompson and Kelsey Lindquist, Senior City Attorney Katherine Pasker, Senior Planner Aaron Barlow, Principal Planners Noah Elmore, Rylee Hall, and Meagan Booth, and Administrative Assistant Vanessa Nelson

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Alan Barnett at approximately 5:30 PM.

Roll called by Commission Secretary Vanessa Nelson.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR & VICE-CHAIR

Nothing was reported.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

Nothing was reported.

MINUTES

1. Approval of the Minutes for May 7, 2026

Motion	Commissioner De Lay motioned to approve the meeting minutes with a request to edit the 10 East Senior Center. Commissioner Kearns seconded the motion.
Vote	Yes: Barnett, De Lay, Kearns, McGrath, Semnani No: Abstained: Stum, Cornell, Abrahamson
Result	The motion passed.

TIME EXTENSION

2. Extension Request for Relocation of 632 S 700 E to 635 E 700 S (Not a Public Hearing)
– Trolley Square Ventures, LLC has submitted a letter requesting a one-year extension for the relocation of the contributing building at 632 S 700 E, approved by the Historic Landmark Commission on June 4, 2025, and Certificate of Appropriateness was issued. The subject property is within Council District 4. (Staff Contact: Noah Elmore at 801-535-7971 or noah.elmore@slc.gov) Petition Number PLNHLC2025-00330

Commissioner Taymour Semnani recused himself from the extension request and left the room.

Motion	Commissioner McGrath motioned to approve the time extension request. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion.
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Vote	Yes: Abrahamson, Cornell, De Lay, Kearns, McGrath, Stum No: Barnett Abstained: Semnani
Result	The motion passed 6-1

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. Avenues Community Plan Update - Mayor Mendenhall has initiated a petition to complete a comprehensive update to the Avenues Community Plan. The Avenues Community Plan is a land use plan for the Avenues community, located in the northeastern part of the city, between City Creek to the west, University of Utah to the east, Downtown and Central City to the south, and the city's northern border. The Avenues Community Plan was originally adopted in 1987. The updated plan will provide guidance on existing and anticipated development in the neighborhood for the next 15 years. The Avenues Community is in Council District 3, represented by Chris Wharton. (Staff Contact: Rylee Hall at 801-535-6308 or rylee.hall@slc.gov) Petition Number: PLNCPM2026-00200

Planning Manager Amy Thompson and Principal Planner Rylee Hall reviewed the Avenues Community Plan Update as outlined in the staff report. They shared an overview of the plan's community engagement and the plans draft revisions. They requested feedback from the Commission on initiatives within the historic preservation overlay.

Public Hearing

Vice Chair Barnett opened the public hearing.

- Jim Jenkin – Greater Avenues Community Council member voiced both positive and negative comments by the council on the plan's updates.
- Cindy Cromer – spoke in opposition of allowing administrative review for certain types of projects as recommended in the plan.

Seeing there were no more public comments, Vice Chair Barnett closed the public hearing.

Executive Session

Commissioners and Staff discussed the following topics:

- Administrative Approval process

- Community feedback on commercial land uses.

Motion	Commissioner De Lay motioned to forward a recommendation to approve the plan's update to City Council. Commissioner Semnani seconded the motion.
Vote	Yes: Barnett, Abrahamson, Cornell, De Lay, Kearns, McGrath, Semnani, Stum No: Abstained:
Result	The motion passed.

WORK SESSIONS

4. Central Community Plan – Planning staff will provide a briefing on the process of updating the Central Community Plan and the existing conditions for the community. The Central Community Plan establishes land use and growth-related policies for the area and will be used to help guide zoning, transportation, housing, and other growth-related decisions. The plan area encompasses five neighborhood-planning areas: Central City, East Central North, East Central South, Liberty, and Ballpark. (Staff Contact: Meagan Booth at 801-535-7213 or meagan.booth@slc.gov, Aaron Barlow at 801-535-6182 or aaronbarlow@slc.gov)

Senior Planner Aaron Barlow and Principal Planner Meagan Booth reviewed the process of updating the plan with commissioners as outlined in the staff report.

OTHER BUSINESS

5. Policies & Procedures Update - The Historic Landmark Commission will be briefed on a voluntary work session process for New Construction petitions. The Commission will review a draft Conceptual New Construction Work Session procedure. As currently drafted, the Conceptual New Construction Work Session will be added to the Commission's adopted Policies & Procedures as an addendum. The addendum includes submittal requirements and outlines clear expectations of the applicant, commission and staff. (Staff Contact: Amanda Roman at 801-535-7660 or amanda.roman@slc.gov)

Planning Manager Kelsey Lindquist reviewed the proposed Conceptual New Construction Work Session addendum to HLC's policies and procedures as outlined in the staff report.

Motion	Commissioner Cornell motioned to approve the addendum with the additional amendment that a massing model plan be required. Commissioner De Lay seconded the motion.
Vote	Yes: Barnett, Abrahamson, Cornell, De Lay, Kearns, McGrath, Semnani, Stum No: Abstained:
Result	The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:50 PM.

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