



PLANNING DIVISION
HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 6, 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	Chair Carlton Getz, Commissioners Michael Abrahamson, Steven Cornell, Babs De Lay, Emoli Kearns, Mark McGrath, Rosemary Stum, and Adrienne White
Commissioners Absent	Alan Barnett, Taymour Semnani
City Staff in Attendance	Planning Deputy Director Michaela Bell, Planning Manager Amy Thompson, Senior City Attorney Courtney Lords, Senior Planner Lex Traughber, Principal Planner Madison Blodgett, and Administrative Assistant Vanessa Nelson

The meeting was called to order by Chair Carlton Getz at approximately 5:30 PM.

Roll called by Commission Secretary Vanessa Nelson.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR & VICE-CHAIR

Chair Getz shared a personal story related with the preservation of history and why it's important.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

Deputy Director Michaela Bell announced the 10th East Senior Center has been listed on the National Register, and the Avenues Community Plan Update is scheduled for the City Council's August 12th agenda.

MEETING MINUTES

1. Approval of the Minutes for July 9, 2026.

Motion	Commissioner De Lay motioned to approve the minutes. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion.
Vote	Yes: Abrahamson, Cornell, De Lay, Kearns, McGrath, Stum No: Abstained: Getz, White
Result	The motion passed

PUBLIC HEARINGS

2. Major Alteration at Approximately 378 N Quince St – Upwall Design, on behalf of the property owner, is requesting approval for a major alteration to the Carlson House, a local landmark site located at 378 N Quince Street within the Capitol Hill Local Historic District. The proposal includes construction of a new two-story addition that extends along Quince Street. The property is zoned SR-1A (Special Development Pattern Residential District) and is within Council District 3, represented by Chris Wharton. (Staff Contact: Madison Blodgett at 801-535-7749 or madison.blodgett@slc.gov) Petition Number: PLNHLC2026-00368

Principal Planner Madison Blodgett reviewed the proposal as outlined in the staff report and stated staff's recommendation is to approve the proposal with the following conditions:

1. New windows will have a minimum 3” reveal on street facing façade.
2. Final design details are delegated to staff.

Commissioners asked for clarifying questions on the following:

- Is a minor alteration part of the commission’s review of this proposal, it is not.
- Does the reclaimed wood material match the existing siding of the home? The reclaimed woods horizontal orientation will be similar, but the source and siding style have not been determined.
- Is the roof cedar shakes or cedar shingles? The plan includes cedar shingles.

Gage Wall with Upwall Architects, representing the applicants gave a brief presentation.

Public Hearing

Chair Getz opened the public hearing.

- Amy Joerger – representing Preservation Utah, stated concerns with the scale and visual prominence of the proposed addition.

Seeing there were no other public comments, Chair Getz closed the public hearing.

The applicant’s representative was given an opportunity to respond to the public hearing comments.

Executive Session

Commissioners, Staff and Applicants discussed the following topics:

- Compatibility: neighborhood, wood siding, brick and second floor balcony.
- Historic significance of the existing addition, proposed to be removed.
- Standard 8: Contemporary design and its compatibility with the existing historic structure, specifically the scale, color, and materials.

Commissioner Abrahamson made a motion to deny the proposal. No second was heard; the commissioner withdrew his motion.

Commissioner White motioned to table the proposal, commissioner Kearns seconded the motion. The motion was withdrawn to allow for additional discussion.

Motion	Commissioner White motioned to table the proposal, under the condition that the proposal does not comply with standard 8. Commissioner Rosemary Strum seconded the motion.
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Vote	Yes: Abrahamson, Cornell, Getz, Kearns, McGrath, Stum, White No: Abstained: De Lay
Result	The motion passed.

3. Designation of Gilgal Gardens on the Local Register as a Landmark Site - At the direction of Mayor Erin Mendenhall, the Planning Division is undertaking the process to designate Gilgal Gardens, located at 749 E 500 South, on the Local Register as a Landmark Site. Applicable designation standards are found in Salt Lake City Code Section 21A.51.040.A – Standards for the Designation of a Landmark Site, Local Historic District or Thematic Designation. Properties designated as Local Landmark sites are subject to the zoning ordinance provisions of the H-Historic Preservation Overlay (Section 21A.34.020 of Salt Lake City Code), which provides demolition protection and City oversight to review any modifications to ensure historic appropriateness and the ongoing protection of important historic resources. The subject property is within Council District 4, represented by Jennifer Napier-Pearce. (Staff Contact: Lex Traughber at 801-535-6184 or lex.traughber@slc.gov) Petition Number: PLNHLC2026-00364

Commissioner White recused herself from the proposal.

Senior Planner Lex Traughber reviewed the designation proposal as outlined in the staff report and stated that staff are recommending forwarding an approval to City Council.

CEO of the House of Genealogy's Adrienne White and president of the Friends of Gilgal Gardens Judi Short thanked the commission for the consideration of this local register as a landmark site.

Public Hearing

Chair Getz opened the public hearing.

Amy Joerger – representing Preservation Utah spoke in support of the designation.

Cindy Cromer – spoke in support of the proposal and voiced concerns of the abutting parcels zoning.

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

Motion	Commissioner Kearns motioned to forward a recommendation to City Council to approve the proposal. Commissioner De Lay seconded the motion.
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Vote	Yes: Abrahamson, Cornell, De Lay, Getz, Kearns, McGrath, Stum No: Abstained:
Result	The motion passed.

4. Relocation of a Contributing Structure at Approximately 630 S. 700 E. – A request by Douglas White, representing Trolley Square Ventures, LLC, to relocate the contributing structure located at 630 S 700 E to 636 E Sego Ave. in the Central City Local Historic District. The property where the structure is currently located is zoned RMF-30 (Low-Density Multi-Family Residential), and the property where it would be relocated is zoned SR-3 (Special Development Pattern Residential). The dwelling is listed as a contributing structure to Central City Local Historic District. The subject property is within Council District 4, represented by Jennifer Napier-Pearce. (Staff Contact: Michaela Bell at 801-535-6003 or michaela.bell@slc.gov) Petition Number: PLNHLC2026-00447

Deputy Director Michaela Bell reviewed the petition as outlined in the staff report and stated that staff are recommending approval of the relocation with conditions. This project is not a reconstruction as defined by NPS.

Beecher Walker Architect Dustin Glazier and Trolley Square attorney Douglas White gave a brief presentation on the relocation.

Public Hearing

Chair Getz opened the public hearing.

Cindy Cromer – voiced concerns on the Department of Interiors' Standards of reconstruction.

There were no other comments, the Chair closed the public hearing.

Executive Session

Commissioner, Staff and Applicants discussed the following topics:

- Definitions of relocation and reconstruction. This project is not a reconstruction as defined by the Park Service or as defined by the city code.
- City departments that comment on these proposals such as Public Utilities, Fire, etc.
- Sego Avenue is a private street, and Ely Place is not

- The enormous cost to move a structure wholesale and lack of parties who do this. The cost of the relocation as proposed remains substantial.

Motion	Commissioner White motioned to approve the petition with staff's recommended conditions. Commissioner Abrahamson seconded the motion.
Vote	Yes: Abrahamson, De Lay, Getz, Kearns, McGrath, Stum, White No: Cornell Abstained:
Result	The motion passed

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:46 PM.

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