

AGENDA

LANDMARKS & DESIGN COMMISSION

November 18, 2025

Hybrid Meeting In-person and via Zoom



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**CITY OF ELLENSBURG
LANDMARKS & DESIGN COMMISSION AGENDA
Council Chambers
501 North Anderson Street
Ellensburg, WA 98926
And remotely via Zoom
Tuesday, November 18, 2025
5:45 PM - Regular Meeting**

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- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call of Members**
- 2. Approval of Agenda** (No Public Comment)
- 3. Approval of Minutes**
 - 3.A September 16, 2025 LDC Minutes
 - 3.B September 30, 2025 LDC Special Meeting Minutes
- 4. New Business**
- 5. Unfinished Business**
- 6. Public Comment**
- 7. Staff Update/Discussion Items**
 - 7.A Comprehensive Plan Update
 - 7.B 2026 Historic Preservation Grants Update
 - 7.C 2026 LDC Work Plan
- 8. Commission Representative Update**
- 9. Adjournment**



For more information on the Landmarks & Design Commission, contact Associate Planner Chace Pedersen at 509-962-7108.



CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Minutes of Landmarks & Design Commission, Regular Meeting

Date of Meeting

September 16, 2025

Time of Meeting

5:45 PM

Place of Meeting

**Council Chambers
501 North Anderson Street
Ellensburg, WA 98926
And remotely via Zoom**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call of Members

Commissioner Redmon called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

Present: Fred Redmon, Vicki Sannuto, Julia Stringfellow, Scott Carlson, Marty Blackson, Teresa Chanes

Absent: Jeff Watson (excused)

Others Present: Chace Pedersen- Associate Planner; Kathy Boots- Planning Technician

Commissioner Blackson motioned to approve the absence of Jeff Watson. Motion passed 6-0.

2. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Chanes motioned to approve the agenda. Motion passed 6-0.

3. Approval of Minutes

No minutes available.

4. Unfinished Business

None

5. Citizen Comment

None.

6. Staff Update/Discussion Items

Pedersen gave information on the Hal Holmes open house for the Comprehensive Plan amendment.

6.A Historic Preservation Chapter Subcommittee Discussion

The subcommittee met last week and the discussion was recapped for the Commission members. Staff reviewed the current Chapter 8 goals, policies, and programs in the Comprehensive Plan. Pedersen stated that in 2022 the Ellensburg City Council adopted a land acknowledgment. This approved land acknowledgment may be added to Chapter 8 or the beginning of the Comprehensive Plan or referred back to where the land acknowledgment statement resides. This suggestion will be given to the consultant. Other

suggestions were to add a purpose statement to the overview of the Comprehensive Plan prepared possibly by Sadie Theyer that includes indigenous people, history, and facts from Ellensburg's early history.

7. New Business

7.A Historic Preservation Comp Plan Chapter - Discussion/Decision

Commissioner Blackson motioned that the Landmarks & Design Commission recommend adoption of the land acknowledgment approved by the City Council in Resolution 2022-08 into the City of Ellensburg Comprehensive Plan. Blackson amended the motion to include in Chapter 8 of the City of Ellensburg Comprehensive Plan that a detailed history of Ellensburg be added. Discussion ensued. Amended motion passed 6-0. The original motion passed 6-0.

8. Commission Representative Update

On September 30, 2025, there will be a special meeting set for the Landmarks & Design Commission to review the Historic Preservation grants received for the 2026 award period. Staff are working on getting applicants to give a presentation during the September 30, 2025, meeting.

Staff clarified that no work can be started in 2025 for the grantees of the 2026 grant.

Commissioner Sannuto stated that the new windows installed in the Fitterer's building look great.

Pedersen will be presenting a Historic Preservation section at the Ellensburg Academy.

Commissioner Carlson would like to revisit streateries being allowed and the material used.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m.



CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Minutes of Landmarks & Design Commission, Special Meeting

Date of Meeting

September 30, 2025

Time of Meeting

5:45 PM

Place of Meeting

**Council Chambers
501 North Anderson Street
Ellensburg, WA 98926
And remotely via Zoom**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call of Members

Commissioner Blackson called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

Present: Fred Redmon, Scott Carlson, Marty Blackson, Vicki Sannuto, Julia Stringfellow

Absent: Teresa Chanes (excused), Jeff Watson

Others Present: Stacey Henderson-Planning Manager; Connor Hayes-Kittitas County Historical Museum; Jill Scheffer-Ellensburg Dance Ensemble Treasurer; Dorothy Stanley

Commissioner Redmon motioned to excuse the absence of Commissioner Chanes. Motion passed 5-0.

2. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Stringfellow motioned to approve the agenda. Motion passed 5-0.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.A August 19, 2025 LDC Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Stringfellow motioned to approve the meeting minutes from August 19, 2025. Motion passed 5-0.

4. New Business

4.A Review of 2026 City of Ellensburg Historic Preservation Grant Applications

Staff member Chace Pedersen reported that two grant applications were received and the total amount to award is \$22,225.95. Pedersen stated that he sought an addendum budget from each of the applicants because the amount requested was below the award available.

Jill Scheffer from the Ellensburg Dance Ensemble gave a presentation regarding their grant application. Several fire life & safety building changes were presented. These changes would increase safety and allow the building to be utilized by larger groups.

Connor Hayes from the Kittitas County Historical Museum gave a presentation regarding their application. Research on the past local architect, Edla Muir, who

built several local buildings. Plans stored at UCSB college in California would be scanned along with a license to own copies of the image that would be utilized with the award money and used in an exhibit. Dorothy Stanley expressed support for the project.

Commissioner Carlson motioned to award the Ellensburg Historic Preservation Grant to Richard Huie in the amount of \$10,670.00 and the Kittitas County Historical Museum in the amount of \$8,000.00. Motion passed 5-0.

5. Unfinished Business

None.

6. Citizen Comment

None.

7. Staff Update/Discussion Items

Fred Redmon, Teresa Chanes, and Chace Pedersen went to the PLACES conference.

The 2046 Comprehensive Plan open house was a success.

8. Commission Representative Update

Commissioner Sannuto clarified who the City Council Liaison is for the Commission. Josh Thompson is the City Council Liaison assigned to Landmarks & Design Commission.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.