

Minutes of the October 23 meeting of the Farmington Historical Commission.

In attendance: David Petersen, Tiffany Ames, Dana Chapman, David Barney, Dorothy Arnold, Darren DeGraw. No one attended via Zoom.

1. Sam Dunford's short film project. The Commission decided that this was not a project with which we could get involved. Our thanks for his interest in the Commission as well as an explanation for our decision were communicated to Mr. Dunford.

There were questions raised about Tom Owens' award. It has not yet been announced. We are hoping soon.

Questions were asked about the T-Mobile grant for the Buttered Bakery. We are hoping to have word on this by mid-November.

2. Dave Petersen presented the latest update on UDOT's plan for I-15 as it impacts Farmington. Of greatest interest to the Commission were the plans for the State Street overpass and the frontage road. UDOT's preferred option is to leave the frontage road and the intersection as it is, which would result in the demolition or relocation of the Tudor home at the base of the pedestrian overpass, but leave the rest of the neighborhood untouched. Farmington City preferred the option that would raise the frontage road to intersect with the overpass at a four-way stoplight. Although we would lose Clark Park with this option, the homes would remain in the same way as Option 1, and we would gain the opportunity for traffic to turn onto the frontage road before it came into the Clark Lane Historic District. We are encouraged to go to the UDOT comments page and share your preference.
3. Status of the Landmark District: the City Council unanimously passed the recommendation for a vote to be taken at the next meeting, pending the revisiting of the Ch. 39 reworking of the ordinance language.
4. We currently have six homes for the new Multiple Property district. We could complete eight homes, so we are looking for two more appropriate homes.
5. Dave Petersen reported on the recommendation for a re-zone on the part of a developer interested in a parcel on 1st West. Two houses in this area are historical. If the re-zoning is granted, it would be traded for the developer being willing to preserve the two historic homes. Dana offered to photograph the two homes.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10.