

FARMINGTON CITY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

Monday September 22, 2025 | 160 S. Main St.

Present: David Barney, Elise Allred, Shauna Wardrop, Melissa Layton, Dana Pushley, Shannon Hansell

1. Deterioration by Neglect – 368 W State Street Update:

- The property owner must pay back taxes on the property prior to May 2026 to prevent it from going to auction.
- There are no current liens on the home; however, there is a small outstanding fee related to a past cleanup on the property.
- The amount owed in back taxes will serve as the starting bid if the property goes to auction.
- The property is a designated Landmark site. The Commission discussed whether landmark status provides protection from demolition should the property be sold. Members agreed that it needs to be protected from teardown.
- Options such as offering tax deductions through donation or partnership with a preservation association were discussed.
- Action: David will follow up to clarify the property's landmark protections and potential preservation pathways.

2. Deterioration by Neglect – Barn at 268 W State Street Update:

- The barn did not receive a preservation grant but has been included for consideration in an upcoming budget amendment scheduled for October. Levi, the City Finance Director, has placed it on his list for review in the next budget update.
- Questions were raised about the extent of city investment in the structure, given that it sits on private property and public access will be limited.
- The barn is listed on both the National Register of Historic Places and as a Farmington Landmark but is in severe disrepair. Restoration would require significant funding.
- Lagoon, the property owner, was asked to replace the roof but declined.
- The Commission discussed the possibility of dismantling and relocating the barn to a publicly accessible site for preservation and interpretation.

3. UDOT Updates:

- The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) has consulted a structural engineer regarding a potential building move. The engineer's rate is estimated at \$150-\$180 per hour, with the inspection expected to take two to three hours.
- The engineer recommended having the moving company present during the assessment.
- The structure would likely be relocated behind the Andrew Clark Home, on the parcel immediately to the north.
- Relevant information has been shared with the engineer, moving company, and Lauren Clark. The Commission is currently awaiting a response from Ms. Clark and coordination with the current renter for a walkthrough.
- Legacy Parkway Update: An environmental study is underway for a proposed connection to Legacy Parkway. One objective of this project is to accommodate the planned widening of I-15. The interchange itself is not part of this phase. It is anticipated that the 1525 West connection will be revisited as the West Davis Corridor expands northward.

4. Clark Home at 399 W State Street Status: No Updates

5. Farmington Historic Plaque Program:

- Many homeowners have expressed hesitation to participate in the plaque program due to the \$100 cost per plaque.
- The Commission discussed options for the City to subsidize or fully fund plaques to encourage participation.
- Interest was expressed in placing plaques on homes built around 1946 and other historically significant structures.
- The Commission discussed involving the Youth City Council in fundraising or sponsoring plaques.
- Additional ideas included installing plaques at notable historic sites around Farmington, such as the location of the original post office and other key landmarks.

6. Approval of Minutes for August 25, 2025:

- a. Approved as presented.

7. Home Tours:

- The Commission plans to select a different group of historic homes for the annual tour each year.
- Discussion also included the replacement of sycamore trees lost to storms and the replanting of trees on 4th North. A misunderstanding led to previous tree removals, but replanting efforts will move forward.
- Action: Follow up to ensure replanting occurs as planned.