



Roll Call Number

Agenda Item Number

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Date March 8, 2018

RECEIVE AND FILE COMMUNICATION FROM THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION REGARDING THE RESIGNATION OF COMMISSIONER SUSAN HOLDERNESS AND RECOMMENDATION FOR REPLACEMENT

WHEREAS, on February 28, 2018, the Historic preservation Commission informed Council in the attached communication that Commissioner Susan Holderness has resigned as a representative of the Owl's Head Historic District; and,

WHEREAS, this seat must be filled with a resident of the Owls Head Neighborhood Historic District; and,

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that Sondra Ashmore, 338 29th Street is interested in filling this seat and is qualified both because she resides in the District and has experience and interest in historic preservation.

The Commission recommends Sondra Ashmore as a candidate for this seat.

MOVED by \_\_\_\_\_ to accept the resignation of Susan Holderness and to receive and file the recommendation of the Historic Preservation Commission.

Form Approved:

Handwritten signature of Thomas G. Fisher Jr.

Thomas G. Fisher Jr. Assistant City Attorney

Table with columns: COUNCIL ACTION, YEAS, NAYS, PASS, ABSENT. Rows include COUNNIE, BOESEN, COLEMAN, GATTO, GRAY, MANDELBAUM, WESTERGAARD, TOTAL, MOTION CARRIED, APPROVED, Mayor.

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

City Clerk

City of Des Moines, Iowa  
Boards and Commissions  
Board Composition

Historic Preservation Commission

Description: Reviews and acts upon all applications for certificates of appropriateness; reviews and makes recommendations to the City Council on proposals for designation of historic districts, amendments to boundaries of existing historic districts, and repeal of existing historic districts; cooperates with property owners and City agencies and departments to develop preservation solutions and plans; furthers the historic preservation efforts in the city; makes recommendations for the listing of a historical district or site in the National Register of Historic Places.

Staff contact: Jason VanEssen 283-4147  
Michael Ludwig 283-4810

Term length: Three years

Expiration: Sherman Hill - October 18th; Owl's Head - March 28th

Meetings: 5:30 PM, Third Wednesday of each month,

Location: 1551 E. Martin Luther King, Jr. Parkway  
Municipal Services Center, City Council Chambers, Room: Second floor

Requirements: GENDER BALANCE REQUIRED - Six at-large members and two residents from each designated historic district. At the time of their appointment, each member shall have a demonstrated interest in historic preservation. Within one year of their initial appointment, each person shall attend at least one training seminar providing training on the duties of a local historic preservation review commission. Each member of the City Council may recommend a candidate to fill one of the at-large positions on the commission. The mayor may recommend candidates to fill each of the positions to be held by a resident of a designated historic district.

Prof. requirements: Each of the at-large members shall have at least one of the following professional qualifications: architect, urban planner, structural or civil engineer, historian, sociologist, real estate broker, or builder.

Member Information

Joel Aschbrenner 735 34th Street Des Moines 50312	(C): (D): 515 865-7666 (E): (W):	Term expires: 10/18/2020 Took office: 12/4/2017 Appointed by: 3 - Ward 3 Residing in Ward: 3 Eligibility: Not eligible for reappointment Gender: Male
Patricia A Barry 451 29th Street Des Moines 50312	(C): 515 248-8275 (D): 515 248-8275 (E): 515 280-7365 (W):	Term expires: 3/28/2016 Took office: 2/14/2011 Appointed by: 7 - Mayor Residing in Ward: 3 Eligibility: Not eligible for reappointment Gender: Female
Seat: 09 - Professional		
Seat: 01 - Owls Head		

**Member Information**

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Breann A Bye	(C): 641 521-9340	Term expires:	2/3/2015
523 Franklin Avenue	(D): 641 521-9340	Took office:	2/13/2012
Des Moines 50314	(E):	Appointed by:	7 - Mayor
	(W):	Residing in Ward:	1
		Eligibility:	Eligible for reappointment
Seat: 11 - Riverbend Historic District		Gender:	Female

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Elaine Estes	(C):	Term expires:	10/18/2001
944 Ninth Street	(D):	Took office:	10/18/1983
Des Moines 50309	(E): 515 244-1462	Appointed by:	6 - At Large B - Coleman
	(W):	Residing in Ward:	3
		Eligibility:	Not eligible for reappointment
Seat: 06 - Professional		Gender:	Female

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Scotney J Fenton	(C):	Term expires:	10/18/2011
1245 42nd Street	(D):	Took office:	9/13/2004
Des Moines 50311	(E): 515 277-8934	Appointed by:	4 - Ward 4
	(W): 515 288-3141	Residing in Ward:	1
		Eligibility:	Not eligible for reappointment
Seat: 10 - Professional		Gender:	Male

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Martha Green	(C):	Term expires:	10/18/2018
815 8th Street	(D): 515 681-2030	Took office:	3/7/2016
Des Moines 50314	(E):	Appointed by:	7 - Mayor
	(W):	Residing in Ward:	3
		Eligibility:	Eligible for reappointment
Seat: 04 - Sherman Hill		Gender:	Female

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Michael Hildebrand	(C):	Term expires:	10/18/2018
410 Franklin Avenue	(D): 515 271-0683	Took office:	10/24/2016
Des Moines 50314	(E):	Appointed by:	1 - Ward 1
	(W): 515 248-8631	Residing in Ward:	1
		Eligibility:	Eligible for reappointment
Seat: 07 - Professional		Gender:	Male

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<del>Susan Holderness</del>	(C):	Term expires:	3/28/2004
<del>2900 Forest Drive</del>	(D):	Took office:	1/19/1998
<del>Des Moines 50312</del>	(E): 515 246-1885	Appointed by:	7 - Mayor
	(W): 515 226-5651	Residing in Ward:	3
		Eligibility:	Not eligible for reappointment
Seat: 02 - Owls Head		Gender:	Female

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**VACANT**

**Member Information**

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Pamela Steffen	(C): 515 402-6370	Term expires:	10/18/2019
5221 Village Run Avenue, Unit 90	(D): 515 402-6370	Took office:	7/11/2016
Des Moines 50317	(E):	Appointed by:	2 - Ward 2
	(W): 515 402-6370	Residing in Ward:	2
Seat: 08 - Professional		Eligibility:	Eligible for reappointment
		Gender:	Female

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York A Taenzer	(C):	Term expires:	10/18/2009
1605 Woodland Avenue	(D):	Took office:	9/13/2004
Des Moines 50309	(E): 515 288-8984	Appointed by:	7 - Mayor
	(W): 515 288-5719	Residing in Ward:	3
Seat: 03 - Sherman Hill		Eligibility:	Not eligible for reappointment
		Gender:	Male

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Aaron L Todd	(C): 515 450-0704	Term expires:	2/3/2015
1334 9th Street	(D): 515 242-5229	Took office:	4/21/2014
Des Moines 50314	(E): 515 720-1765	Appointed by:	7 - Mayor
	(W): 515 242-5229	Residing in Ward:	1
Seat: 12 - River Bend Historic District		Eligibility:	Eligible for reappointment
		Gender:	Male

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Vacancy	(C):	Term expires:	10/18/2019
	(D):	Took office:	
	(E):	Appointed by:	5 - At Large A - Boesen
	(W):	Residing in Ward:	0
Seat: 05 - Professional		Eligibility:	Vacant
		Gender:	—

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February 28, 2018

Honorable Mayor and City Council  
City of Des Moines, Iowa

RE: Seat 2, Owl's Head Historic District – Vacancy

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

Commissioner Susan Holderness has resigned from the Historic Preservation Commission as a representative of the Owl's Head Historic District. We thank Susan for her many years of service and wish her the best.

In accordance with Section 58-30 of the Historic Preservation Ordinance, the Commission recommends Seat 2 be filled by Sondra Ashmore, 338 29<sup>th</sup> Street, Des Moines. Sondra owns a historic property, has participated in our processes as an applicant, and has demonstrated an interest in historic preservation.

Please advise us if we can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

York Taenzer, Chair  
Historic Preservation Commission

cc: Historic Preservation Commission  
Jason Van Essen, Senior City Planner

Historic Commission Members

City of Des Moines

February 6, 2018

Dear Commission Chair, York: Vice chair, Scotmey: Owl's Head Rep. Pat..... and other commissioners,

At the dawn of this new year, I was cleaning out my desk and realized that the official end to my first term was 2004. Now, this many years later, it is time for someone else to have this opportunity. I have watched both my district, Owl's Head and Sherman Hill benefit greatly from your wise counsel and am confident that the same will happen in River Bend.

Thank you to each of you for your important work ( I will probably see you soon as we consider new garage doors.)

Sincerely,

Susan Holderness