



Historical Commission Minutes

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chambers and Online

1. Call to Order

Chair Keogh called the meeting to order at 6:01p.m.

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Chair Jim Keogh, Vice Chair Kevin Wyckoff, Jon Halvorson, Alan Tyler, Ed Holm, Tula'i Patane

Commissioners Absent (excused): Kim Faith (Youth Commissioner), Kimberly Goetz

3. Land Acknowledgment

Chair Keogh read the land acknowledgement.

4. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

A. Approval of the Agenda

Commissioner Holm made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
Commissioner Halvorson seconded. Motion carried.

B. Approval of November 20, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Vice Chair Wyckoff made a motion to approve the minutes as printed.
Commissioner Halvorson seconded. Motion carried.

5. Public Comment

No public comment.

6. Business Items

A. 2024 Accomplishments

Erin Quinn Valcho, Museum Curator

Curator Quinn Valcho presented the approved 2024 Accomplishments with final

numbers added.

B. January 28, 2025 Council Worksession

Jen Burbidge, Director

Curator Quinn Valcho reminded Commissioners of the upcoming opportunity for the Historical Commission to present to the Lacey City Council at the City Council Worksession on January 28, 2025, and provided an overview of what will be discussed during the meeting.

C. Recent Acquisitions

Erin Quinn Valcho, Museum Curator

Museum Curator Quinn Valcho presented the new acquisitions.

Commissioner Halvorson motioned to approve the new acquisitions.

Commissioner Holm seconded. Motion carried.

7. Reports

A. Lacey Historical Society

The Lacey Historical Society:

- Shared appreciation for the Lacey Museum's HistoryTalks! events;
- Published a newsletter in December 2024;
- Continues to work on their 2025 priorities;
- Acknowledged that 2026 is the City of Lacey's 60th anniversary, and indicated the Society would entertain participating in any celebration efforts;
- Shared excitement to see the new Lacey Museum space once its open; and
- Continues its Memorial Monday Facebook campaign.

B. Policy StEPs Committee

The committee is on hiatus.

C. Commissioners

Commissioner Halvorson shared his eagerness for the new Lacey Museum and Cultural Center project to progress. Commissioner Tyler shared appreciation for the Lacey Museum's HistoryTalks! events.

D. Chair

Chair Keogh reported that the Regional Athletic Complex kiosk dedication ceremony date should be announced soon.

E. Museum Curator

Museum Curator Quinn Valcho reported:

- HistoryTalk! on O. C. Lacey will be February 13.
- January's History Talk on the Evergreen Ballroom hosted 101 attendees.
- The Lacey Museum move is progressing. The opening exhibit will be called *Bits & Bobs*, showcasing an assortment of items from the collections that would not otherwise warrant an exhibit of their own.
- Staff are coordinating with the Lacey Women's Club to update the deed language to remove the historical uses requirement with the understanding that the requirements laid out in the deed have already been met.
- The historic preservation project is still underway.

F. Director

Museum Curator Quinn Valcho gave the Director's report.

- The City Manager would like Director Burbidge to discuss the new Lacey Museum and Cultural Center project with the Lacey City Council once the Lacey Community Foundation completes its five-year fundraising plan draft.
- The City Clerk will be reaching out to each Commissioner regarding the Advisory Board Stipend Program. Forms are due back by February 28, 2025.

8. Adjourn

Chair Keogh adjourned the meeting at 6:52 P.M.