TOWN OF FLORENCE HISTORIC ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Betty Wheeler
Vice-Chairman Cathy Adam
Commissioner Christine Reid
Commissioner Lynn Smith
Commissioner Natasha Schmidt
Commissioner Debbie Novotny
Commissioner Ernie Feliz



Florence Town Hall 775 N. Main Street Florence, AZ 85132 (520) 868-7500 www.florenceaz.gov Meet Last Wednesday

Wednesday, May 25, 2016

6:00 PM

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the Town of Florence Historic District Advisory Commission and to the general public that a Historic District Advisory Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 25, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., in the Florence Town Council Chambers, located at 775 N. Main Street, Florence, Arizona. The agenda for this meeting is as follows:

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL: Wheeler____, Adam_____, Reid____, Smith_____, Schmidt_____, Novotny____ and Feliz___.
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- **4. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL** of the meeting minutes for the regular meeting conducted April 27, 2016.
- 5. STAFF REPORT
 - A. Proposed Town of Florence Historic website.
 - B. Historic District Rehabilitation Information Booklet.
 - C. 2016 Annual Historic Preservation Conference

The following questions were asked by the Commission members at the April 27, 2016 HDAC Meeting.

D. What can the Town of Florence do to provide incentives to save buildings?

The Town of Florence, in conjunction with Pinal County, provides property tax incentives for continued maintenance and rehabilitation of historic properties.

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E. How can discontinued businesses be enforced to remove their old signs?

Town of Florence staff may follow code compliance procedures outlined in the Land Development Code under section 150.129. Town staff provided this section of the code in your last Historic Advisory Commission Packets that were dated for the April 27, 2016 meeting. Per a commissioner's concern regarding a specific property, staff will continue to monitor the property.

F. Commissioners had particular concern with code compliance issues regarding the height of grass on property, does the Town have sufficient staff to address these particular issues?

The Town of Florence currently has a Senior Building Inspector and Permit Specialist to meet code compliance issues in a regularly consistent manner due to budget constraints and recent retirements. Recently, a Public Works employee has been providing additional assistance. Members of the public can file a property complaint at the Community Development office located at 224 West 20th Street or by calling 520-868-7575.

G. Commissioners would like to see what they can do regarding the condition of a historic property's entry door.

If the issue pertains to a public safety matter, then Town staff can issue code compliance.

H. Commissioner Feliz would like to see a historic plaque created for a demolished building within the Pinal County jurisdiction.

The Chair and Vice-Chair of the Historic Advisory commission have given Town staff direction to not pursue creating this marker due to the property not being on the National Register and within the Historic District.

6. CALL TO THE PUBLIC/COMMISSION RESPONSE:

Call to the Public for public comment on issues within the jurisdiction of the Historic District Advisory Commission. Individual Commission members may respond to criticisms made, may ask staff to review a matter raised or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the Commission shall not discuss or take action on any matter during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action.

7. CALL TO THE COMMISSION-CURRENT EVENTS ONLY.

8. ADJOURNMENT

POSTED ON MAY 20, 2016 BY MARIA HERNANDEZ, DEPUTY TOWN CLERK, AT 775 NORTH MAIN STREET, FLORENCE, ARIZONA AND AT WWW.FLORENCEAZ.GOV.

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