



WILDWOOD

July 25, 2019

The Honorable City Council
 City of Wildwood, Missouri
 16860 Main Street
 Wildwood, Missouri 63040

Re: **Update on 2019 Work Program of the City's Historic Preservation Commission (Wards – All)**

Council Members:

At the beginning of this year, the Historic Preservation Commission Members approved fifteen (15) items as part of their anticipated 2019 Work Program. These items would provide direction to the Commission on what it would hope to accomplish in this calendar year. These items are outlined below, with the current status of each being identified as well.

No.	Work Program Item Description	Status		
		Underway	Complete	Not Started
1.	Develop additional poster boards for the Celebrate Wildwood Event (eleven (11) completed in 2018 for event).		X	
<i>Update from previous meeting: The final draft of the new display banner was approved at the Commission's last meeting. The banner will be debuted at the Celebrate Wildwood Event on August 24th.</i>				
2.	Repair WPA wall at Old Pond School (Works Progress Administration).	X		
<i>Update from previous meeting: The contract has been fully executed and the contractor will begin the repair/restoration of the wall in August, unless weather remains wet.</i>				
3.	Install the one (1) remaining historic community marker - Orrville.			X
<i>Update from previous meeting: No update. Installation is waiting on a future bridge reconstruction project.</i>				
4.	Continue work on Belleview Farms Project, including providing the oversight of the preservation of historic assets.	X		
<i>Update from previous meeting: Department staff is providing the draft report from Missourians for Monarchs, which is the umbrella agency completing a number of studies at the Belleview Farms property. This report has yet to be fully reviewed, but is ready for input from the Commission Members, before its completion.</i>				
5.	Create a tribute memento for Lisa Kelpé on one (1) of the City-owned properties that would be located in one (1) of the historic communities.			X
<i>Update from previous meeting: No update, project yet to be started.</i>				

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6.	Encourage historic preservation efforts through greater public relations efforts, including the City's Gazette, website (re-design completed in 2018), and e-newsletter.	X		
<i>Update from previous meeting: The City's summer issue of The Gazette is currently at the printer and includes a number of articles on the Historic Preservation Commission's activities and other similar efforts.</i>				
7.	Participate in training opportunities of the members' choice.	X		
<i>Update from previous meeting: The next training will be at the beginning of this month's (July) meeting. This presentation will be the second training session for the year.</i>				
8.	Offer input and oversee/approve products for the Points of Interest map for 2019 additions.	X		
<i>Update from previous meeting: The new Points of Interest on this year's map include the historic by-ways in the Kelp, Centaur, Monarch, and Pond Historic Communities and are: Babler Park Drive, Centaur Road, Ossenfort Road, Pond Road, Rieger Road, and Wild Horse Creek Road. The text of these byways is to be reviewed by the Commissioners at this evening's meeting.</i>				
9.	Reassemble and place Essen Log Cabin on City-owned site.	X		
<i>Update from previous meeting: Department staff has been discussing a timeframe for the start of this project with the consultant, while it has been scheduling the travel arrangements for the historic restoration architect in the Philadelphia Office to visit Wildwood.</i>				
10.	Develop By-Laws for the Commission and its activities.		X	
<i>Update from previous meeting: The Commission formally adopted their revised By-Laws at its May meeting.</i>				
11.	Complete the Next Chapter in the Wildwood History Book (Era – 1920's to 1990)		X	
<i>Update from previous meeting: The text and the graphic design of this chapter are completed. The book is at the printer and copies will be available for distribution at the Celebrate Wildwood Event on Saturday, August 24th.</i>				
12.	Launch Historic Route 66 Promotional Efforts.	X		
<i>Update from previous meeting: Route 66 event, organized in conjunction with the Economic Development Committee of City Council, is scheduled for September 14th. The City has completed the acquisition of a property on Manchester Road (Route 66) to be used for a trailhead and municipal parking lot.</i>				
13.	Expand Social Media Efforts.	X		
<i>Update from previous meeting: Efforts continue on spreading awareness of the City's Local Registry.</i>				
14.	Create a Master Plan to address acceptance of donations and the allocations of future funding necessary for their reuse.			X
<i>Update from previous meeting: No update. Work has yet to begin on this item.</i>				
15.	Perform other duties, as needed, and as opportunities or issues arise.			
<p>Updates on City Projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Manchester Road Phase Three Streetscape Project</u> – Utility relocation continues on the final phase (Phase 3) of the streetscape project along Historic Route 66. Ameren Missouri has completed their work, while Missouri American Water Company remains the only utility not underway at this time. 				

- *State Route 109 (two (2) new roundabouts south of State Route 100, on State Route 109, a pedestrian tunnel, and the widening of the State Route 109 bridge over State Route 100) – Work is in full swing, and, despite the rain this summer, the project is on schedule. The project is being completed in partnership with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT). The project is expected to take a year to complete. No archeological impacts will result from this project, but it will have a significant impact on the City.*
- *Community Park – Phase 3 –Gershenson Construction Company is continuing work on the components of this phase, including the 1-mile loop trail, the pavilions, and parking area. A complete archaeological study of the homestead and a second area, where artifacts were discovered, was completed in the Spring by Archaeological Research Center of St. Louis. The report was provided to members at the June meeting.*

If any of the City Council Members should have comments or questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact the Department of Planning and Parks at (636) 458-0440. The Department of Planning and Parks will be available at the August 12, 2019 City Council meeting to respond to any questions or comments in this regard. Thank you for your review of this information.

Respectfully submitted,

CITY OF WILDWOOD

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