



CITY OF ELK GROVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Committee Members:

Dennis Buscher | Shveta Dalla | Peggy Forseth-Andrews
John Fraser | Nadia Melgoza | Rachel Simi | Nathaniel Copus

Special Meeting of the Historic Preservation Committee

Monday, August 11, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Elk Grove City Council Chambers, 8400 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758

DRAFT MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Peggy Forseth-Andrews called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Attending members included Peggy Forseth-Andrews, Dennis Buscher, Rachel Simi, Shveta Dalla, Nathaniel Copus, and John Fraser. Attending City included Planning Manager Antonio Ablog, Long Range Planning Manager Carrie Whitlock, and Senior Planner Kyra Killingsworth.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Approval of the HPC regular meeting agenda for August 11, 2025

Action: Approved 4/0

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion: Approval of the HPC special meeting on May 27, 2025

Action: Approved 4/0

5. PROJECT UPDATES AND STAFF REPORTS

5.1 **Elk Grove Historic Main Street Special Planning Area Persona Study**

6 types of personas of historic downtown/main street areas have been identified to serve as inspiration for Historic Main Street Elk Grove (Old Town). This is part of the process of updating the SPA.

City Staff presented 6 types of personas to the Committee. The 6 personas included the following: 1. upscale, 2. relax, 3. nightlife, 4. family- friendly, 5. historic and 6. artsy. After a brief presentation on each persona, the Committee discussed and provided their input on the personas. Overall, the committee liked the direction of the study and most of the personas (especially, Family Friendly, Nightlife and Historic) and it was noted that a lot of examples are already completed on Historic Main Street (Old Town).

5.2 **Elk Grove Register Update**

City staff provided an update that staff is working on the scope with Rincon Consultants to include additional properties and will be back to HPC at a future meeting date.

5.3 **Social Media Ideas and Outreach materials**

City staff is working on adding social media posts to city's social media pages- Facebook and Instagram. Also, to the City's newsletter about different historic sites in Elk Grove. The first post will be about 9045 Elk Grove Boulevard. The Committee provided other inputs for marketing HPC as well as providing education on different historic sites- events, influencers and some identification for the committee.

5.4 **Updates on Properties in Old Town**

City staff provided an updated on a variety of properties in Historic Main Street: 1. Old Town Pub reroof was approved by Planning Commission on August 7, Trende Building is still under red tag, 8998 Elk Boulevard- the owner states that they are working on the roof and Tulle Coffee will be coming to HPC in the near future.

5.5 **Business Inventory List for Old Town**

The Committee volunteer to help with updating the business list for Historic Main Street businesses. Each committee member will be visiting 30 business to confirm they are still in business. The members will complete this by September 18th or before the October HPC meeting.

5.6 **Arts and Creative Economy Commission- Elk Grove Mural Festival**

City staff provided an update on the Mural Festival that is put on by the City's Economic Development Department. This is a new event and staff is working together and any new murals that are on historic buildings will need to go to Planning Commission for approval. The Committee had some additional questions that staff will bring back at a later meeting date.

6. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The Committee may provide direction to Staff for future agenda items.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 PM

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