

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission held on Thursday February 26, 2026, at 4:30 p.m. in the Development Services Conference Room, 119 East First Street, Winslow, Arizona.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson Law
Commissioner Black
Commissioner Evans

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner Emigh
Commissioner Hartman

STAFF

Brandee Leary, City Liaison
Ashley Salyers, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Law at 4:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and a moment of silence was observed. Roll was called, and Commissioners Emigh and Hartman were absent.

Commissioner Hartman arrived at 4:39 p.m.

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Evans, seconded by Commissioner Black to excuse Commissioners Emigh and Hartman. Motion passed unanimously with Chairperson Law and Commissioners, Evans and Black voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES – January 29, 2026

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Evans, seconded by Commissioner Black, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously with Chairperson Law and Commissioners, Evans and Black voting yes.

STATUS REPORTS

- A. Commissioner Emigh to give update regarding BMO.**
Table item to next meeting as Commissioner Emigh was absent.

- B. Commissioner Evans would like an update regarding Brigham City.**
Commissioner Evans has not received an update on whether the city has reviewed or acted regarding the former Brigham City Restoration Company. Commissioner Evans recalls the company had defaulted and was administratively dissolved and are asking whether the city has been re-approached by the company. If not, what is the city's current position on preserving what is believed to be the city's second-oldest asset.

City liaison Brandee Leary stated that no one has contacted the city regarding the former Brigham City Restoration Company site, and there is currently no funding available. City staff mentioned if any commissioners would like to find a potential

grant, it must first be presented to the Historic Preservation Commission for approval, after which a subcommittee could pursue the grant.

COMMISSION CONSIDERATION AND ACTION

A. Discussion and/or Action Regarding the Historic District at Vargas Field

Chairperson Law gave an update to the commission regarding the Historic District at the Vargas Field site. Attempts to identify and measure buildings on the site have been difficult as county flat maps are inaccurate, with some structures off by several hundred square feet. This has made it nearly impossible to accurately locate smaller buildings.

The commission considered establishing a baseline measurement using Vargas Field but has not yet been able to identify a reliable reference point. Efforts are underway to work with the city to access old engineering maps, archives, or blueprints that may help determine the original layout and building locations.

Commissioner Evans mentioned previously submitting a timeline for the WPA project related to the Winslow ball field, which may include parcel acquisition dates from around 1931 or 1932, he will see if he can find it and resend it to assist with narrowing down the location. The commission noted that identifying the correct location is necessary before a property survey can begin and expressed continued interest in pursuing the project

B. Discussion and/or Action Regarding the Potential Expansion of the Downtown Signage Project

The commission discussed potential expansion of the Historic signage program that was implemented a couple of years ago primarily along First Street and a few signs on Second Street. The City's previous annual budget allocation for signage was approximately \$5,000, which funded about 10-11 signs.

Commission members discussed identifying additional historic locations for potential signage and submitting a funding request for the upcoming budget cycle, even if the funds are not ultimately used. Alternative funding sources were also mentioned, including the WGO Foundation and Route 66 grants, which may only cover signage for eligible locations. Commissioners agreed to bring suggested signage and locations for new signs to the next meeting for further discussion.

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Black, seconded by Commissioner Hartman to submit a request to City Council for \$5,000 for FAA signs around the city. Motion passed unanimously with Chairperson Law and Commissioners, Black, Evans and Hartman voting yes.

C. Discussion and/or Action Regarding a Recommendation for Nomination of 332 West Maple Street, Winslow, Az to the National Register of Historic Places

The Commission discussed the potential nomination of 332 W. Maple Street, Winslow, Arizona, to the National Register of Historic Places. The building's owner, Mr. Kenna, who has lived in the building for 49 years, presented preliminary research supporting the nomination. The research highlights the buildings' architectural significance including Colonial Revival elements such as dentil molding, pediments, and other neoclassical features. Historical sources, architectural studies on Latter-day Saint religious architecture, and original design references were cited to demonstrate the building's importance and connection to early church architectural programs. Mr. Kenna noted that much of the structure was built with local labor and materials and that the building expanded soon after its original construction in the late 1920s due to congregation growth.

The document provided to the commission is an initial inventory and summary; a full nomination is expected to be significantly more detailed. (approximately 50 pages). Mr. Kenna requested a letter of support from the Historic Preservation Commission to move forward with the nomination process. The commission discussed the need for a formal vote to approve the support letter before it can be drafted and signed on behalf of the commission.

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Evans, seconded by Commissioner Hartman to write recommendation/nomination letter for the Winslow Old Morman Church located at 332 W. Maple Street, Winslow, Arizona to be added to the National Register of Historic Places. Motion passed unanimously with Chairperson Law and Commissioners, Black, Evans and Hartman voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Discussion and/or Action Historic District at Vargas Field
- Discussion and/or Action Sign Options for Downtown Sign Project
- Commissioner Emigh Status report regarding BMO Bank


ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Hartman, seconded by Commissioner Black, to adjourn at 5:04. p.m. Motion passed unanimously with Chairperson Law and Commissioners, Evans, Hartman and Black voting yes.



Chairperson Law

ATTEST:



Ashley Salyers, Recording Secretary