



**Approved as Presented on February 19, 2026**

**MINUTES of the Brighton Historic Preservation Commission meeting for the City of Brighton, Adams County, Colorado, held in Council Chambers on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor at City Hall, 500 South 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Brighton, Colorado.**

**DATE: January 15, 2026**

- I. Call to Order and the Pledge of Allegiance:** Chair Cooper called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Chair Murphy.
- II. Roll Call**  
**Commissioners Present:** Barbara Heumann, Mardita Murphy, Sophia Imperioli, Valerie Cooper, ToniJean Kile (arrived at 6:13 p.m.), Christopher Fiedler  
**Commissioners Absent:** Ellie Larson, Ann Taddeo  
**Staff Present:** Amanda Besch, Emma Lane, James Gallagher  
**Others Present:** Laura Davis, Jonathan Travis
- III. Seating of Alternates**  
None.
- IV. Approval of Agenda**  
Motion by Commissioner Imperioli to approve the agenda for the December 18, 2025 Historic Preservation Commission as presented.  
Second by Commissioner Heumann.  
Voting Aye: All Present  
Motion passes: 4-0
- V. Approval of Minutes from December 18, 2025**  
Motion by Vice Chair Murphy to approve minutes from the December 18, 2025 Historic Preservation Commission meeting with amendments.  
Second by Commissioner Heumann.  
Voting Aye: All Present  
Motion passes: 4-0
- VI. Consent Agenda**  
Motion by Commissioner Imperioli to approve the consent agenda.  
Second by Vice Chair Murphy.  
Voting Aye: All Present  
Motion passes: 4-0
- VII. Public Comment**  
None.
- VIII. Reports and Presentations**  
Committees:  
None.

Staff:

E. Lane briefly overviewed current projects. There is no update on the HSA grant for the 1886 Church which will house the Brighton City Museum. Inquiries for appropriate headstone replacements for the Pioneer Cemetery have had no response to date. There is one Certificate of Appropriateness which will have a public hearing at the February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026

meeting. Updates from the Brighton City Museum are located in the agenda packet's Staff Report with overall good numbers.

**IX. Unfinished Business**

- Follow up on America 250-Colordo 150 Project with BCAC  
Commissioners Imperioli and Heumann will continue working with BCAC. As the grant specifies a project with a lasting nature instead of a singular event, the Commissioners discussed publication of a walking tour of historic properties and/or downtown art with a published pamphlet in addition to guided tours.

**X. New Business**

- a. Commissioners discussed goals for the Commission overall and in particular for the 2026 year. Committee membership was reviewed and updated, the donation budget was reviewed, and E. Lane discussed grant matching in order to fund projects. Potential designation properties were reviewed from the existing Preservation Plan; updating the Preservation Plan was discussed as a possible goal.
- b. E. Lane distributed information on downtown signs for review by the Commissioners; this information will be posted on the City website.
- c. E. Lane reviewed the Certified Local Government requirements as 2026 is the City's evaluation year.
- d. E. Lane reviewed the steps for a public hearing in preparation for the COA public hearing at February's meeting.
- e. Possible projects and events for Historic Preservation Month in May were discussed, particularly working with "This Place Matters" and local historic properties.
- f. E. Lane brought forward a proposal for interpretive historic signage to be placed at the new Hugh's Jeweler's location with funding from the Historic Preservation Commission. This project is supported by the Commission and is pending a cost estimate.

**XI. HPC to Identify Items for Next Meeting**

The February agenda will prioritize the COA public hearing as well as ongoing planning for Historic Preservation Month in May.

**XII. Additional Comments**

None.

**XIII. Announcements**

Information on the upcoming Saving Places Conferences and CLG webinars was referenced from the Agenda.

**XIV. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 8:04 p.m. by Commissioner Imperioli.  
Second by Commissioner Kile.  
Voting Aye: All Present  
Motion passes: 5-0

**Next Meeting:**

February 19, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Submitted by: A. Besch