

**CITY OF COLUMBIA  
ARTS & HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE  
MEETING REPORT  
JULY 16, 2013 – 2:00 P.M.  
PARKING SERVICES CONFERENCE ROOM  
820 WASHINGTON STREET**



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Members of the Columbia City Council conducted an Arts & Historic Preservation Committee Meeting on Tuesday, July 16, 2013 in the Parking Services Conference Room, 820 Washington Street, Columbia, South Carolina. The Honorable Cameron A. Runyan (Chair) called the meeting to order at 2:13 p.m. The Honorable Sam Davis and The Honorable Brian DeQuincey Newman were present. The Honorable Leona K. Plaugh (non-committee member) was also present.

**COMMITTEE DISCUSSIONS**

1. [Demolition Delay Ordinance](#)

Ms. Amy Moore, Historic Preservation Planner presented the committee with recommendations for a Demolition Delay Ordinance, which included a 180 day delay and the process by which the demolitions could be approved.

There was a consensus of the committee to have staff research the following information and report back to the committee:

- Antidotal information from other municipalities
- Review by the Legal Department
- Establish a check list of criteria that is to be reviewed
- Present an opinion as to whether this should be a city wide policy or done in designated districts
- Clarify if properties could be considered separately
- Create an action plan/timeline to be proactive in the education of property owners and realtors.
- Provide information regarding the revolving fund. What have other municipalities done and was it completely funded by public, private or a combination of both?

2. [Review of Proposal from Block by Block](#)

Mr. Matt Kennell, Executive Director and Mr. Eli Ott, Director of Operations for the City Center Partnership presented a proposal for the Block by Block Program in the Vista and Five Points areas. Block by Block delivers first class safety, hospitality, and cleaning services and sets the stage for growth and prosperity.

There was a consensus of the committee to request additional information on the expenditures related to the program.

- **The meeting was adjourned at 3:21 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by:

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