

**January 2021 Historic Resources Committee Packet**  
January 8, 2020, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

*This packet contains various materials to guide meeting discussions. The materials are listed below, linked and with reference to their page in the PDF file.*

1. [December 2020 HRC meeting notes](#)

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## MEETING NOTES

Charlottesville Historic Resources Committee<sup>[1]</sup><sub>SEP</sub>  
Friday, December 11, 2020; 11:00 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
Remote meeting via Zoom

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### HRC Members Present

Rachel Lloyd, Chair  
Phil Varner, Co-vice-chair  
Sally Duncan, Co-vice-chair  
Genevieve Keller  
Alissa Diamond  
Jalane Schmidt  
Heather Hill  
Margaret O'Bryant  
Ellen Wagner  
Dede Smith  
William Clay III  
Jordy Yager

### City Staff Present

Jeff Werner  
Robert Watkins

#### 1. Call to order:

11:00 AM: Rachel Lloyd calls the meeting to order. Committee members and staff introduce themselves.

Lloyd opens the floor up for public comment:

James Hingeley speaks in support of Gregory Swanson Way designation.

#### 2. Approval of the agenda:

Dede Smith moves to approve meeting agenda.

William Clay III seconds motion. Motion passes (11-0, Alissa Diamond not yet arrived).

#### 3. Approval of meeting notes:

Smith moves to approve November 2020 HRC Meeting Notes, with addendum about proposed naming committee.

Phil Varner seconds motion. Motion passes (11-0, Diamond not yet arrived).

#### 4. Continuation of Honorary Street Names Policy Work Session:

Committee resumes street names policy review from November meeting.

Varner suggests additional street names policy recommendation that Council shouldn't be limited by a specific set of criteria, and should be free to designate street names even if they don't fit a person or event criterion exactly.

Genevieve Keller acknowledges limitations in terms of numbers of characters on street signs.

Keller asks that numbered streets be preferenced for naming.

Jordy Yager clarifies naming committee proposal, which would mainly be tasked with honorary street names.

Clay proposes a mechanism on the number of street names in specific parts of town.

Keller recommends that review of applications be biannual, and that the City consider other naming opportunities beyond streets.

Committee moves on to review received applications. After discussion, the HRC determined the following recommendations to be sent to Council:

*The Historic Resources Committee recommends City Council approve the following naming requests:*

1. *Black History Pathway on 4th Street NW between West Main Street and Preston Avenue*
2. *Henry Martin Way on 10th Street NW between West Street and Grady Avenue*
3. *Gregory Swanson Way on 3rd Street NE between East High Street and East Main Street (please note: the Historic Resources Committee suggests that this designation be temporary until such time as the state can mark the location of this historically significant court case with a permanent state marker).*
4. *Via Poggio a Caiano (please note: the Historic Resources Committee suggests that the applicant/city identify a different street for the honorary name than the ones listed in the application, perhaps closer to the streets named for other sister cities)*
5. *Byers Snookie Way on 10th Street NW between Preston Avenue and Henry Avenue*

*Applications for the following were not recommended for approval:*

1. *The proposed Vinegar Hill Way conflicted with the proposed location of Black History Way, which had significant community support*
2. *The proposed Tony Bennet Way and Tony Bennett Drive were not recommended due to the previous substantial national and community recognition of the individual and the committee's understanding that at least one of the streets noted for honorary naming is only partially located within the city limits*
3. *The proposed honorary names for Wilfred Franklin "88 Keys" Wilson, Jr. and Theodore Gilbert, both musicians, were not recommended because no streets were identified in the applications and because the committee suggests that places associated with music, such as school music rooms or auditoriums, may be more appropriate locations for honoring these individuals*
4. *The proposed Waneeshee Way (for indigenous people) was not recommended due to the apparent lack of engagement with the Monacan Nation and due to the apparent discrepancy between the language of the proposed term and the local language traditionally and historically spoken by Monacan people*
6. Update on Mellon Foundation Monuments Project:  
Jalane Schmidt updates HRC on Mellon Foundation Monuments Project. Jalane, representing the HRC, is co-applying for a grant along with Siri Russell, the Lewis and Clark Center, and Andrea Douglas.

The team plans to complete a draft application by the end of January.

7. Review and revise HRC Communication Protocols: [12:45, 10 minutes]  
Committee discusses communication protocols. Determine that email quorum is appropriate to support out-of-meeting committee communications. Any member can respond in personal capacity, as long as they acknowledge it as such.