Midway Historic Preservation Committee Meeting Minutes
August 25, 2026 – 5:00 PM

Attendance

Present	**City Attendees**	**Absent**
Cathy Philpot	Melissa Jones (Staff)	Lisa Orme
Camie Hardy		
Tom Haus		
Athina Koumarela		
Diann Glenn		
Mike Glenn		
Chuck James (phone)		

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1. **Call to Order**
   Meeting called to order at 5:01 PM.

2. **Approve July 28, 2026 Meeting Minutes**
   Motion to approve minutes by Mike Glenn, seconded by Tom Haus.
   Motion approved unanimously.

3. **Agenda Items**
   a. **Walking Tour Brochure**

   - John Spencer presented a draft brochure layout. The Committee favored focusing on properties closer to Main Street to create a more “walkable” tour, with a QR code directing visitors to the website for additional historic properties.

   - The Committee preferred the more illustrative, playful map style, with softened colors and historic building drawings integrated into the map where possible.

   - The former 1st Ward Chapel will be added to the walking tour as site #15, with the remaining sites renumbered accordingly.

Action Items:

- ✓ **John:** Prepare the next brochure draft, incorporating Committee feedback, for review at the September meeting.

b. Oral Histories

- Athina provided an update on current oral history interviews, including continued work with Peg Sabey and efforts to arrange additional interviews.
- The Committee discussed the Norm Kohler recordings and options for preserving and providing public access to selected recordings and transcripts, including the possibility of hiring a student intern to assist with the project.
- Members who wanted copies were provided thumb drives of the recordings and asked to note particularly strong or poor recordings on the shared spreadsheet.

Action Items:

- ✓ **Jim:** Follow up with Professor Stanley regarding the status of the transcripts, availability and cost of a student intern to assist with the project, and additional Midway-related interviews to add to the spreadsheet.

c. Main Street Historic Preservation

- Mike reported that Jansen Bennett, an architect with the State Historic Preservation Office, and Chelsea Gauthier, the State's Main Street specialist, will attend the September 22 meeting to discuss the Main Street program and answer questions.
- The presentation is expected to take approximately 45 minutes, with the walking tour brochure review to follow on the agenda.

4. Adjournment: 6:16 PM

Motion to adjourn by Diann Glenn, seconded by Camie Hardy. Motion approved unanimously.

5. Next meeting: September 22, 2026 at 5:00 PM

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