2010 Annual Report Greeley Historic Preservation Commission

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Greeley Historic Preservation Commission presents this inaugural annual report to the Greeley City Council and to the citizens of Greeley.

Historic Preservation Commission Mission Statement

The mission of the Greeley Historic Preservation Commission is to identify, preserve and enhance Greeley's historic resources. Through research, educational programs and economic incentives, the Commission will build upon public enthusiasm for the protection of the unique character of the community's past and present for the future.

Greeley Historic Register

The Greeley Historic Register is comprised of 82 individually designated properties as of the last day of 2010 and includes residences, commercial buildings, parks, an irrigation ditch, an artesian well, a sign, schools, churches, and a depot. These properties are designated through nomination to the Commission and approval is based on significance of architecture, history or association with persons instrumental to the growth of the city.

The City of Greeley boasts two Historic Districts (Monroe Avenue Historic District, Downtown Greeley Historic District) on the Register.

During 2010 three properties were reviewed by the Commission and designated on the Greeley Historic Register.

- 1. POW Camp 202 Stone Gateposts, located on the north side of Highway 34, west of Greeley. (Photo by Historic Greeley, Inc.)
- 2. Jacobs/Nixon House, 1631 11th Avenue (Photo by Betsy Kellums)
- 3. Apple House, 1315 Cranford Place (Photo by Scott Wisniewski)



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National & State Register in Greeley

Greeley's downtown is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and the State of Colorado Register. In addition, 16 individual properties are listed. Two properties are individually listed on the State Register as well as one UNC residential district.

Certificates of Approval

The Historic Preservation Commission reviewed and approved 18 requests for repairs or modifications of listed properties during 2010.

Incentives

• Total Number of Applications 2010

Tax Credit Reviews: 2

Building Permit Fee Refund applications: 2

Historic Preservation Loans: 0

- Historic Preservation Loan Program: 3 loans have been given for Historic Preservation projects since the program was first established in 1998 (most recent application approved in 2008)
- The Commission established guidelines for Building Permit Fee Refund program

Events

In May, Historic Preservation Month was celebrated with a reception at the Greeley Freight Station Museum with 215 people in attendance and 16-20 Freight Station Museum volunteers.



1. HPC award presentations



2. Dave Trussell, Edmund Fitzgerald presentation; photo by Becky Safarik

Staff conducted Walking Tours during the year in several Greeley neighborhoods and presented historical and architectural highlights of these neighborhoods to 210 people. Featured areas include Downtown, Josephine B. Jones House and Park, Maplewood, Alles Acres, Kiwanis Park Area, Sunrise and Cranford. Photos of several tour sites:







1. 415 13th Street, Borgens House 2. 1821 11th Avenue, (photo credits: 1 & 2 by Betsy Kellums; #3 by Carlin Barkeen)

3. Kress Cinema, 817 8th Avenue

Historic Preservation Resources about Greeley

GREELEY, COLORADO: History and Architecture of its Downtown Buildings, 2003; second edition 2006 (guidebook)

Windows of Time - a Historic Preservation documentary

J.M.B. Petrikin and the Masonic Temple (Feb. 2005)

P.O.W. Camp 202 (May 2005)

No. 3 Ditch (Dec. 2006)

From the Volga to the Platte: Germans from Russia (Feb. 2009)

Brochures

"Saving Greeley's Historic Past" brochure

"From Colony to City" brochure

"Historic Properties: Additions, Remodeling and Maintenance Tips" brochure

Online - www.greeleygov.com/historicpreservation

"Historic Preservation 101" online PowerPoint presentation http://www.greeleygov.com/CommunityDevelopment/Documents/Hist%20Preservation/HistoricPreservation101inGreeleyandaroundColorado-opt.pdf

"List of Inventoried Properties" online list with historical and architectural information about inventoried properties http://greelevgov.com/HistoricPreservation/InventoriedProperties.aspx

2009 & 2010 Walking tour notes available online

2010 Accomplishments and Activities

Grants

- CLG mini grant, \$600; no match required to send HPC members to Feb 2010 Colorado Preservation Inc. Saving Places conference in Denver
- POW Camp 202 Interpretive Panels, CLG grant: \$4,206; no match required
- Sunrise Neighborhood Historic Context, SHF grant: \$17,836 (total project -\$23,782) – secured contextual grant for 2011 project in Sunrise

Training for HPC members

- Dan Corson from CHS training on obligations & benefits of CLG grant program
- Betsy Kellums character defining features & "what matters"
- HPC members to CPI "Saving Places" conference Ron Heil, Marshall Clough, Becky Brunswig, Marsha Davis
- HPC members (Becky Brunswig, Marshall Clough and Marsha Davis) & Staff (Betsy Kellums) to Pueblo to attend HPC meeting and tour with Preservation Staff member Wade Broadhead

<u>Interns</u>

The City of Greeley Historic Preservation Office utilizes interns from area universities, including the University of Northern Colorado, University of Colorado and Colorado State University. The interns assist with historic resource surveys, property documentation, historic preservation event planning, walking tour planning, assisting with records management, attending meetings and other tasks. They provide a valuable service to the City in performing tasks creating high quality products while getting a variety of preservation-related experiences.

2010 interns and volunteers

Jim Bertolini, Colorado State University Amy Cook, Colorado State University Eric Sainio, Colorado State University Scott Wisniewski, University of Colorado, Denver Christy Dickinson (volunteer) Alison Connell (volunteer)

• Jim Bertolini provided a report on historic resources in the Kiwanis Park area with a template spreadsheet for use in our Sunrise survey and developed and led a walking tour through the neighborhood.

•	Amy Cook provided research to assist with the development of a brochure about energy conservation in historic commercial buildings for the Natural Resources office.
•	Christy Dickinson returned to volunteer after working as an intern in the fall of 2008, helping with the Germans from Russia Windows of Time and working with a property owner to get the house listed on the Colorado Register of Historic Properties.

January 2010

Members of City Council and Citizens of Greeley:

The Greeley Historic Preservation Commission presents this first Annual Report, describing the work and accomplishments of the Commission in 2010. We hope to highlight the rich historical context of Greeley and the vibrancy of preservation efforts by its citizens.

During 2010, the Commission was proud to designate three additional properties to the Greeley Historic Register and to approve 18 applications for repairs or modifications to previously listed properties. The Commission also assisted property owners with incentives, such as building permit refunds and tax credit reviews to further preservation of our historic properties. Grants were obtained for training of commissioners and for interpretive panels for the POW Camp 202 gateposts. Commissioners and staff travelled to Pueblo to establish contact with the Pueblo Commission and to study preservation efforts in another city with many features in common with Greeley.

By detailing accomplishments of 2010, the Greeley Historic Preservation Commission aspires to increase community awareness of past success and future promise of historic preservation in Greeley.