

2019 BROOKINGS HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION OVERVIEW

Promote inspiration and enrichment of Brookings' citizens through identification, preservation, promotion and development of the city's historic resources.

Key Projects

	Description	Status
1	11.1 Contractor's Informational Packet	100%
2	11.1 Review for 928 8 th Avenue	100%
3	Preservation Plan Update	5%

Successes

- Kicked off Historic Preservation Month in May with an article and photos in the Brookings Register
- Provided historic district walking tours during the August Brookings Bonanza event (8/24)
- Recognized three projects/citizens at the City of Brookings Mayor's Awards on September 26th
- Hosted guided horse drawn trolley tours of the Central Historic District during the Brookings Annual Festival of Lights in November (11/30)
- Participated in the RFP process for the adaptive reuse of the Armory.
- Maintained a Facebook page to educate public on historic resources in Brookings, Brookings County, South Dakota, and across the United States, as well as provide information on news, grant opportunities, and happenings.
- Partnered with the Public Arts Commission and Downtown Brookings Committee with cross membership participation.
- Secured funding and contracted with Winter & Company to begin Preservation Plan update.

Challenges

- Training
- Community Awareness

Looking Ahead

- Begin work on our new City of Brookings preservation plan created for adoption & use during 2020-2040.
- Finish out our grant program with the installation of bronze plaques in the University District.
- Develop list of approved materials for 11.1 reviews.
- Continue assisting city staff with the transition of BHPC to its new home in the Community Development Department.
- Public education activities including walking tours, historical trolley tour and other events as resources allow.



Photo: Historic Trolley Tours