

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

- Secured funding and contracted with Winter & Company to begin Preservation Plan update
- 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 (9/26)
- 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
- Transition to Community Development

Challenges

- Resources to send Commission and staff to training opportunities
- Community Awareness

Looking Ahead

- Complete Phases 1 & 2 of the Brookings Historic Preservation Plan
 - Create community resource assessment, identify community goals & issues, and assessment of current program
- Enter into contract for the remaining phases of the Preservation Plan
- Finish out grant program with the installation of plaques in the University District
- Provide and implement usage of the 11.1 Contractor's Guide as a resource for contractors and homeowners
- Conduct public education activities as required by the CLG Grant including: walking tours, historical trolley tours, Mayor's Awards and other events as resources allow



Photo: Historic Trolley Tours