

Smith stated the need to have options available for the commission and the public to evaluate. Some being possible renovation monies available, property clearing options, monument or memorial ideas, etc.

Janke reported that the last cost estimate to restore the Jesse Lee Home building was about 3.5 million dollars (\$3,500,000.00) and that was over a year ago. He noted that interested entities have looked into the possibility of renovating the building and did not proceed. He reiterated that the City does not have the funds available for renovation, he also noted that the highest value of the property was probably the cleared land.

The Commission recommended that administration initiate public hearings at the January 2, 2000 regular meeting and the associated January work session and supported inviting the Historic Preservation Commission to the meetings.

Establishing a process for naming the recently acquired city property located at Fourth Avenue and Adams Street

Janke reported that an actual site plan of the park facility would be presented to the Commission in about a month after the Downtown Business Association recommended it to the City. He noted that Carol Chaudier was volunteering her time and services in preparing the park design plan based on the recommendations of the committee. He recommended that the Commission have a process in place to name the park after the design plan was approved.

James recommended the process outlined in the agenda statement. She recommended that a visual plan for the park be put up on the vision board for the public to see, to help stimulate ideas for naming the Park. Along with that, having a one page nomination form that individuals could submit, with written justification for the name nomination. She also recommended having the Historic Preservation Commission review the nominations to make a recommendation to the Commission.

Janke reported that there may be \$100,000.00 available next year to start on phase one of the park. Phase one being the bathrooms and ground work.

The Commission agreed to initiate the naming process after the design plan was presented to and approved by the City.

Commission Comments

Griswold commented that she had not received her packet until Monday afternoon and would like to get it on Friday to have time to prepare.

Darling agreed with Griswold, and added that he would like to have more time to review and prepare for action items.