

# HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION



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**Regular Meeting**  
~Minutes~

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**Thursday**  
**January 22, 2026**

**4:30 PM**

**Haddock Building**  
**504 S. Washington Street**

**Reese called the meeting to order at 4:32 PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Nels Reese, Chair; April Hernandez, Laurabeth Kowalick, Renee Magee, Jack Porter, Shelley Walker-Harmon, Kayla Youngren  
OTHERS: Sandra Kelly  
STAFF: Mike Ray

## REGULAR AGENDA

### 1. Approval of Minutes from October 16, 2025 (ACTION ITEM)

Porter moved for approval of the minutes as amended, seconded by Hernandez. Vote by Acclamation: Ayes: Unanimous (7). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

### 2. Public Comment

*Members of the public may speak to the Commission regarding matters NOT on the agenda or currently pending before the Commission. Please state your name and city of residence for the record and limit your remarks to three (3) minutes.*

None offered.

### 3. Election of Officers for 2026 (ACTION ITEM)

*The Commission will need to nominate and elect officers for 2026.*

Porter moved to elect Shelly Walker-Harmon as Chair for 2026, seconded by Youngren. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous (7). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

Porter moved to elect Nels Reese as Vice Chair for 2026, seconded by Kowalick. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous (7). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

Porter moved to elect Laurabeth Kowalick as Secretary for 2026, seconded by Hernandez. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous (7). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

### 4. University of Idaho Historic District Update

*A discussion about the work being done for the University of Idaho Historic District.*

Reese provided a brief update on the historic district progress (see attached), which is currently under review with the Idaho State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and should be finalized by May. He encouraged the Commissioners to participate in the 250th Anniversary celebration events that Idaho is collaborating on. It is also intended that University of Idaho campus tours hosted by the Commission will be conducted sometime in the future.

**5. Recap of 2025 Orchid Awards (ACTION ITEM)**

*The 2025 Orchid Awards ceremony will be discussed, as well as ideas for the upcoming event.*

The Commissioners had a short conversation about the projects that were not completed in time for the Orchid Awards last year. They also talked about finding a new speaker for this year’s ceremony and potentially honoring Christina Olson for the initiative shown and work done on the University of Idaho Historic District project.

**6. Fiscal Year 2027 Commission Budget (ACTION ITEM)**

*The City is currently preparing the 2027 fiscal year budget, and the Commission will need to submit their request by the end of February.*

There was a conversation about itemizing the budget request for next year. Staff will investigate the application process for the SHPO Certified Local Government (CLG) grant program and report back at the next meeting. The Commissioners decided to research the cost of having the Water Department building surveyed and nominated by the National Register of Historic Places.

The Commission tabled the decision to approve a FY2027 budget request until the next meeting.

**7. Interpretive Signage in Friendship Square (ACTION ITEM)**

*The Commission will discuss the plan for adding interpretive signage in Friendship Square.*

A Commissioner will reach out to the Moscow Hotel owner again about sign placement and report back at the next meeting. The Commission talked about creating a subcommittee to finalize the photo design and had a discussion about using ink drawings for the sign. There was a conversation about possibly hosting a show downtown for the official sign placement and to present the ink and watercolor drawings.


**REPORTS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS**

*The next regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission is scheduled for February 26, 2026.*

**The meeting was adjourned at 5:54 PM.**

  
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Nels Reese, Chair

2/26/26  
Date

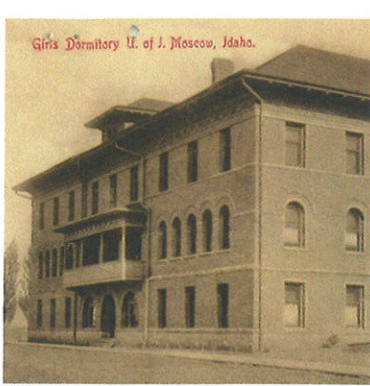
## *Inventory of Resources*

<b>Resource Name</b>	<b>Period of Significance</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Style</b>	<b>Architect/Builder</b>	<b>Contributing/Non</b>
Ridenbaugh Hall	1902-1976	Building	Renaissance Revival	W. A. Richie	Contributing
Art & Architecture South	1904-1976	Building	Romanesque Revival	John E. Tourtellotte & Co.	Contributing
Morrill Hall	1906-1976	Building	Classical Revival	Henry N. Black	Contributing
Art & Architecture Building	1907-1976	Building	Renaissance Revival	Unknown	Contributing
Administration Lawn	1908-1976	Site	n/a	John C. Olmsted of Olmsted Brothers	Contributing
Administration Building	1909-1976	Building	Collegiate Gothic (Gothic Revival)	John E. Tourtellotte; Preusse & Zittel; Curtis Richardson	Contributing
Shattuck Arboretum	1910-1976	Site	n/a	Unknown	Contributing
Beef Barn #1	ca. 1918 - 1976	Building	Dutch Colonial Revival	Unknown	Contributing
Beef Barn #2	ca. 1918 - 1976	Building	Dutch Colonial Revival	Unknown	Contributing
Beef Barn #3	ca. 1918 - 1976	Building	Dutch Colonial Revival	Unknown	Contributing
Graduate Art Studio	1918-1976	Building	Early 20th-Century Industrial	Unknown	Contributing
Mary E. Forney Hall	1924-1976	Building	Collegiate Gothic (Gothic Revival)	Whitehouse & Price	Contributing
Life Sciences South Building	1925-1976	Building	Collegiate Gothic (Gothic Revival)	Rudolph Weaver	Contributing
Hays Hall	1926-1976	Building	Collegiate Gothic (Gothic Revival)	David C. Lange	Contributing
Energy Plant (Steam Plant; Heating Plant; Power Plant)	1927-1976	Building	Early 20th-Century Industrial	R.L. Nelson	Contributing
Memorial Gymnasium	1929-1976	Building	Collegiate Gothic (Gothic Revival)	David C. Lange	Contributing
Memorial Steps	1933-1976	Structure	Gothic Revival	G.W. Babcock	Contributing
Native American/Migrant Education Center	1935-1976	Building	Minimal Traditional (Modern Movement)	University of Idaho Department of Buildings & Grounds	Contributing
Carol Ryrie Brink Hall	1937-1976	Building	Collegiate Gothic (Gothic Revival)	Whitehouse & Price; Hugh Richardson	Contributing
Student Health Center	1937-1976	Building	Collegiate Gothic (Gothic Revival)	Whitehouse & Price; Wayland & Cline	Contributing
Archie Phinney Hall	1938-1976	Building	Collegiate Gothic (Gothic Revival)	Whitehouse & Price; Hugh Richardson	Contributing

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Vehicle Research Laboratory	1941-1976	Building	Minimal Traditional (Modern Movement)	Unknown	Contributing
Food Research Building	1942-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Tourtellotte & Hummel	Contributing
Gauss-Johnson Engineering Building and Laboratory	1942-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Hugh Richardson	Contributing
Virtual Technology & Design Building	1942-1976	Building	Colonial Revival	Unknown???	Contributing
Janssen Engineering Classroom Building	1950-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Hugh Richardson	Contributing
E.J. Iddings Agricultural Science Building	1951-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Victor Jones	Contributing
Lionel Hampton Music Building	1951-1976	Building	Collegiate Gothic (Gothic Revival)	Hugh Richardson	Contributing
Nicolls Home Economics Building	1951-1976	Building	Collegiate Gothic (Gothic Revival)	Victor N. Jones	Contributing
I Tank	1952-1976	Structure	n/a	n/a	Contributing
Blake House	1953 - 1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Hugh Richardson	????
Radio-TV Center	1956-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Culler, Gale, and Martell; Cline & Smull	Contributing
University of Idaho Library	1957-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Ernest Price	Non-contributing
McConnell Hall	1957-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Anton Dropping	Non-contributing
Shoup Hall	1958-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Dropping, Kelley, & Finch	Contributing
Mines Building (New)	1961-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Hicks, James, Culler, & Martell; J.D. Forrester.	Contributing
Wallace Residence Center	1963-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Wayland, Cline, and Smull	Contributing
Malcolm M. Renfrew Hall	1964-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Dropping, Kelley, & Finch	Contributing
Engineering Annex	1965-1976	Building	Minimal Traditional (Modern Movement)	Wayland, Cline, and Smull	Contributing
PREEC Greenhouses	1965-1976	Building	No Style	Unknown	Contributing
Teaching & Learning Center	1965-1976	Building	21st-Century Modern	Fulton Gale Jr. of Culler, Gale, Martell, Norrie, & Davis; Opsis Architecture	Non-contributing
Art & Architecture North	1966-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Hummel, Hummel, Jones, and Shawver	Contributing
College of Education Building	1968-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Hummel, Hummel, Jones, and Shawver	???
J.E. Buchanan Engineering Building	1968-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Dropping & Kelley	Contributing

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Donald R. Theophilus Residence Hall (Theophilus Tower)	1969-1976	Building	International Style (Modern Movement)	Dropping & Kelley	Contributing
Physical Education Building	1970-1976	Building	Brutalism (Modern Movement)	Fulton Gale of Culler, Gale, & Martell	Contributing
College of Natural Resources Building	1971-1976	Building	New Formalism (Modern Movement)	Hummel, Hummel, Jones, and Shawver	Contributing
Menard Law Building	1973-1976	Building	Brutalism (Modern Movement)	Dropping, Kelley, Hosford, and LaMarche	Contributing
P1FCU Kibbie Dome	1975-1976	Building	Quanset Hut (Modern Movement)	Glen Cline of Cline, Smull, Hammill, & Associates	Contributing
Gibb Hall	Post-1976 (Built in 1985)	Building	Postmodern	Team 7 Consortium	Non-contributing
Agricultural Education Building	Post-1976 (Built in 1988)	Building	No Style	Unknown	Non-contributing
Environmental Health & Safety Building	Post-1976 (Built in 1991)	Building	No Style	Lawrence Chinn Jr.	Non-contributing
Engineering & Physics Building	Post-1976 (Built in 1995)	Building	Postmodern	NBBJ	Non-contributing
James A. McClure Hall	Post-1976 (Built in 1995)	Building	Contemporary/ Postmodern	Zabala Giltzow Albanese (ZGA)	Non-contributing
Idaho Student Union Building (Idaho Commons)	Post-1976 (Built in 2000)	Building	21st-Century Modern	Yost Grube Architects; Design West Architects	Non-contributing
Agricultural Biotechnology Building	Post-1976 (Built in 2001)	Building	21st-Century Modern	Ellis-Feeny Architects; SRG Architects	Non-contributing
J.A. Albertson Building	Post-1976 (Built in 2002)	Building	Postmodern	Grube Hall Architecture; Gordon Walker of Design West Architects	Non-contributing
Living Learning Community Building #4	Post-1976 (Built in 2003)	Building	21st-Century Modern	Design West Architects; Hoffman Construction Co.	Non-contributing
Living Learning Community Building #5	Post-1976 (Built in 2003)	Building	21st-Century Modern	Design West Architects; Hoffman Construction Co.	Non-contributing
Living Learning Community Building #6	Post-1976 (Built in 2003)	Building	21st-Century Modern	Design West Architects; Hoffman Construction Co.	Non-contributing
Living Learning Community Building #7	Post-1976 (Built in 2003)	Building	21st-Century Modern	Design West Architects; Hoffman Construction Co.	Non-contributing
Living Learning Community Building #8	Post-1976 (Built in 2003)	Building	21st-Century Modern	Design West Architects; Hoffman Construction Co.	Non-contributing
Living Learning Community Building #1	Post-1976 (Built in 2004)	Building	21st-Century Modern	Design West Architects; Hoffman Construction Co.	Non-contributing
Living Learning Community Building #2	Post-1976 (Built in 2004)	Building	21st-Century Modern	Design West Architects; Hoffman Construction Co.	Non-contributing
Living Learning Community Building #3	Post-1976 (Built in 2004)	Building	21st-Century Modern	Design West Architects; Hoffman Construction Co.	Non-contributing
Integrated Research & Innovation Center	Post-1976 (Built in 2016)	Building	21st-Century Modern	NBBJ	Non-contributing
Executive Residence	Post-1976 (Built in 2019)	Building	21st-Century Modern	Nat J. Adams & Associates	Non-contributing

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Idaho Central Credit Union Arena	Post-1976 (Built in 2021)	Building	Contemporary	Opsis Architecture; Hastings & Chivetta Architects; StructureCraft	Non-contributing
Vandal Healing Garden	Post-1976 (Built in 2024)	Site	n/a	College of Art & Architecture	Non-contributing
Guy Wicks Fields	???	Site	n/a	???	???



1922 Ridenbaugh



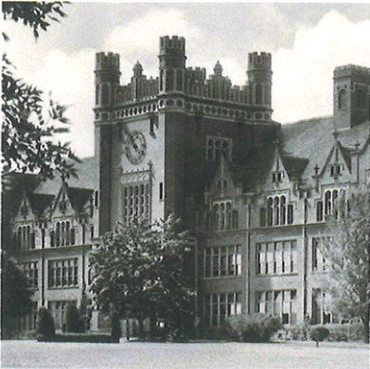
1927 Hayes



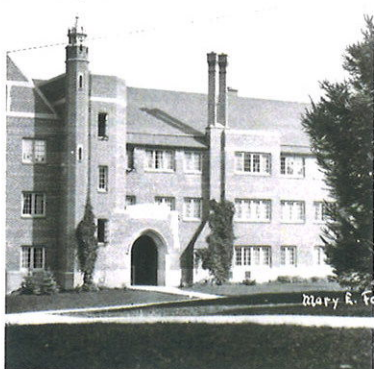
1904 Armory&Gym



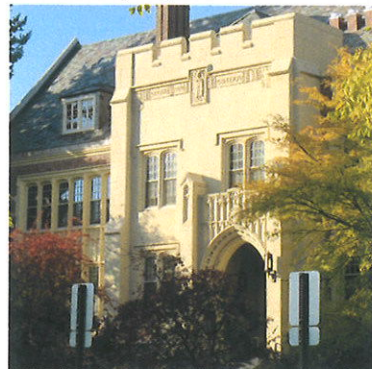
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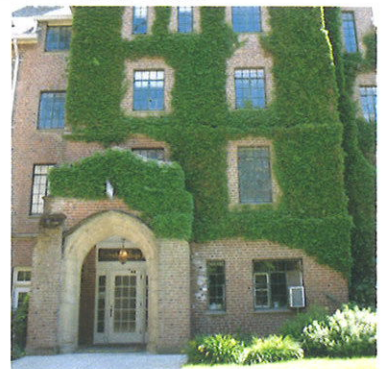
1907 Admin in 1930



1924 Forney



1925 Life Sci



1926 Hays Hall



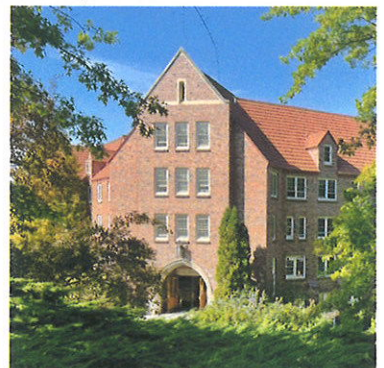
1929 Mem Gym



1937 Brink



1937 Health Ctr



1937 Carol Ryrie Brink



1938 Archie Phinney



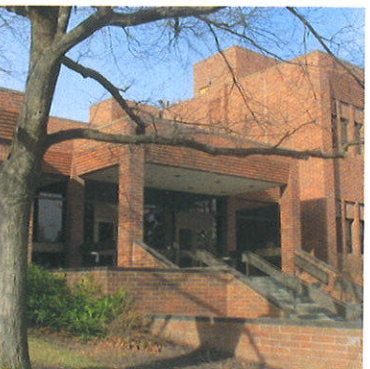
1951 Lionel Hampson Music



1951 Nichol's Hall



1965 Art & Arch North



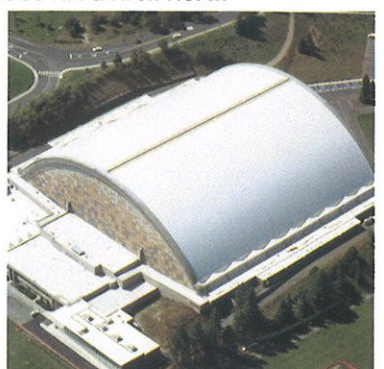
1972 Law



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1970 Physical Education



1975 Kibbie Dome