



**NOTICE OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE TOWN OF CLARKDALE
TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2026 AT 6:30 PM**

In Person: Clark Memorial Clubhouse, 19 N. Ninth St., Clarkdale AZ

OR

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/82434856112>

Meeting ID:824 3485 6112

Unless otherwise stated, the public will have physical access to the meeting place 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting.

Town of Clarkdale Vision

The Town of Clarkdale connects our unique history, proximity to the Verde River, and small-town charm to a future with a vibrant economy.

We cultivate an environment where residents and businesses can thrive; providing services and jobs for our residents and capitalizing upon tourism.

We sustainably enhance our infrastructure, support the arts and education, and develop recreational opportunities to create a bright future for our entire community.

PURSUANT TO A.R.S. §38-431.02, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Historic Preservation Commission will hold a Regular Meeting open to the public on Tuesday, May 5, 2026, at 6:30 PM at 19 N. Ninth Street, Clarkdale, Arizona, Clark Memorial Clubhouse, Men's Lounge. A quorum of Town Council members may be present at this meeting; however, they will not deliberate or take action on any items. All members of the public are welcome to attend.

ALL ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA ARE SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

The Historic Preservation Commission invites the public to provide comments at this time. Members of the Historic Preservation Commission may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.01, action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism, or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date. Persons interested in making comments on a specific agenda item are asked to complete a brief form and submit it to the Clerk or liaison during the meeting. Each speaker is asked to limit their comments to three

minutes unless a different amount of time is noted on the agenda or is determined by the Presiding Officer or by a majority vote of the Council, Commission or Committee.

4. MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes

Discuss, review and act upon the draft minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission regular meeting on April 7, 2026.

5. STAFF UPDATES

A. Adopted Proclamation

Town Council declared May as Historic Preservation Month in the Town of Clarkdale.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS ONLY - NO ACTION TAKEN

A. Historic Preservation Commission Strategic Plan

Discussion only regarding the Historic Preservation Commission Strategic Plan, which will include one to three realistic and achievable goals that could be completed within the upcoming year (July 2026 through July 2027.)

B. Gazebo/Bandstand Sign

Discussion only regarding the language of the Gazebo/Bandstand sign in Clarkdale's Town Park.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Historic Preservation Commission may propose items to be placed on a future agenda. This item is for discussion only.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Values

Values are the guiding principles that provide an organization with purpose and direction. The Town of Clarkdale's organizational values are:

COPPER

Customer focused

Open, transparent and equitable

Preserving our history, charm, and environment

Planning for a sustainable future

Economic and social resiliency

Resourceful and innovative

Mission

The Town of Clarkdale serves the community by providing amenities, infrastructure, services, and public safety to enhance quality of life. We are stewards of our history while we sustainably and resiliently plan for the future with an emphasis on community engagement

and transparency.

Persons with a disability may request reasonable accommodations by contacting the Town Hall at (928) 639-2400 (TTY: 1-800-367-8939) at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting.



Staff Report

Item Number: 4.A.

<u>Agenda Item:</u>	Approval of Minutes Discuss, review and act upon the draft minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission regular meeting on April 7, 2026.
<u>Staff Contact:</u>	Clover Pinion, Senior Planner
<u>Meeting Date:</u>	May 5, 2026
<u>Strategic Goal:</u>	Not applicable.
<u>Background:</u>	Discuss, review and act upon the draft minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission regular meeting on April 7, 2026.
<u>Budget Impact:</u>	No budget impact.
<u>Recommendation:</u>	Staff recommend the approval of the draft minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission regular meeting on April 7, 2026. Recommended Motion: "I move to approve the draft minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission regular meeting on April 7, 2026."



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UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.**

Members' Present: *Matthew Guebard, Amy Stein, Mike Westcott, Cynthia Malla, Kerrie Snyder.*

Other Municipal Officials Present: *Community Development Director Scott Ellis, Community Development Senior Planner Clover Pinion, Community Development Technician Guss Espolt.*

Audience: *No public were present.*

Zoom: *No public were present.*

1. CALL TO ORDER *Chair Guebard called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.*

2. ROLL CALL *See above.*

3. CALL TO THE PUBLIC *No public.*

4. MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes

Discussed, considered and approved the draft minutes from the regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission on March 3, 2026.

Motion: *To approve the draft minutes from the regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission on March 3, 2026.*

First: *Snyder*

Second: *Stein*

Vote: *5-0*

Commissioner

Chair Guebard

Commissioner Snyder

Commissioner Westcott

Commissioner Malla

Vice Chair Stein

Commissioner Hillen

Aye/Nay

Aye

Aye

Aye

Aye

Aye

Absent

5. STAFF UPDATES

A. Historic Preservation Month

Discussed Historic Preservation month.

6. PRESENTATION

A. Certified Local Government (CLG)

Arianna Urban from the State Historic Preservation Office *presented* on Certified Local Government and what our next steps are.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Article 17-8, Historic Preservation Commission Update

Discussed, considered and approved the update to the Town Code, Article 17-8, Historic Preservation Commission.

Motion: *To approve the current draft of Article 17-8, Historic Preservation Commission update with the understanding that SHPO review will take place.*

First: *Stein*
Second: *Malla*
Vote: *5-0*

Commissioner	Aye/Nay
Chair Guebard	<i>Aye</i>
Commissioner Snyder	<i>Aye</i>
Commissioner Westcott	<i>Aye</i>
Commissioner Malla	<i>Aye</i>
Vice Chair Stein	<i>Aye</i>
Commissioner Hillen	<i>Absent</i>

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS ONLY - NO ACTION TAKEN

A. Clarkdale's 4th of July Celebration

Discussed possible participation in this year's festivities.

B. 2026-2027 HPC Strategic Plan

Staff *discussed* with the Commissioners to come up with one to three realistic and achievable goals that could be completed within the upcoming year (July 2026 through July 2027.)

C. Gazebo Sign Mock-up

Discussed the mock-up of the Gazebo sign in Clarkdale's Town Park.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Historic Preservation Commission *did not* propose items to be placed on a future agenda.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: *To adjourn meeting.*

First: *Stein*

Second: *Snyder*

Vote: *5-0*

Commissioner	Aye/Nay
Chair Guebard	<i>Aye</i>
Commissioner Snyder	<i>Aye</i>
Commissioner Westcott	<i>Aye</i>
Commissioner Malla	<i>Aye</i>
Vice Chair Stein	<i>Aye</i>
Commissioner Hillen	<i>Absent</i>

Chair Guebard called the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Matt Guebard, Chair

Scott Ellis, Community Development Director



Staff Report

Item Number: 5.A.

Agenda Item: **Adopted Proclamation**
Town Council declared May as Historic Preservation Month in the Town of Clarkdale.

Staff Contact: Clover Pinion, Senior Planner

Meeting Date: May 5, 2026

Strategic Goal: This agenda item supports the following Clarkdale Strategic Goal Area:

- Goal Area 1 - Enhance the quality of life for residents, businesses, and visitors to Clarkdale.

Background: May is National Historic Preservation Month, established to recognize the importance of historic places through heritage tourism, community pride, and economic revitalization. It is a nationwide initiative led by the National Trust for Historic Preservation to promote awareness of the importance of preserving historic and cultural resources. This item requests that the Town Council proclaim May as Historic Preservation Month in the Town of Clarkdale. The proclamation supports the Town’s ongoing commitment to historic preservation through its Historic Preservation Commission. Adoption of the proclamation helps recognize Clarkdale’s unique heritage, encourages community engagement, and reinforces the value of preserving historic resources as part of the Town’s identity and economic vitality.

Budget Impact: No budget impact.

Recommendation: Update only.



PROCLAMATION

May - Historic Preservation Month

WHEREAS, the Town of Clarkdale is rich in history and cultural heritage, reflecting its origins as a planned smelter town and its continued evolution as a vibrant community; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation is an essential tool for maintaining the Town's unique character, fostering community pride, and strengthening connections between past, present, and future generations; and

WHEREAS, the protection and preservation of historic buildings, sites, structures, and cultural landscapes contribute to the Town's economic vitality through heritage tourism, reinvestment, and sustainable development; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Clarkdale supports and promotes preservation through its Historic Preservation Commission and ongoing efforts to recognize and protect significant historic resources; and

WHEREAS, Historic Preservation Month, established by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, provides an opportunity to celebrate the nation's heritage and to encourage public awareness of the importance of preserving historic places; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Clarkdale encourages residents, businesses, and community organizations to participate in activities that promote historic preservation, including educational programs, community events, and stewardship of historic properties;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Clarkdale hereby proclaim the month of May as **Historic Preservation Month** in the Town of Clarkdale and encourage all residents to recognize and celebrate the Town's rich heritage.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Clarkdale, Arizona to be affixed this 28th day of April 2026.

Robyn Prud'homme-Bauer – Mayor

Charity Brooks, Town Clerk



Staff Report

Item Number: 6.A.

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- Agenda Item:** **Historic Preservation Commission Strategic Plan**
Discussion only regarding the Historic Preservation Commission Strategic Plan, which will include one to three realistic and achievable goals that could be completed within the upcoming year (July 2026 through July 2027.)
- Staff Contact:** Clover Pinion, Senior Planner
- Meeting Date:** May 5, 2026
- Strategic Goal:** Not applicable.
- Background:** The Historic Preservation Commission's current Strategic Plan is broad and lacks clear priorities, making it difficult to track progress or complete meaningful work within a set timeframe. To better focus the Commission's efforts, staff is requesting that Commissioners identify one to three realistic and achievable goals for the upcoming year (July 2026 through July 2027). Narrowing the scope will help ensure progress can be made, responsibilities are manageable, and outcomes are clearly defined.
- Budget Impact:** No budget impact.
- Recommendation:** No recommendation. Discussion only.



Staff Report

Item Number: 6.B.

Agenda Item: **Gazebo/Bandstand Sign**
Discussion only regarding the language of the Gazebo/Bandstand sign in Clarkdale's Town Park.

Staff Contact: Clover Pinion, Senior Planner

Meeting Date: May 5, 2026

Strategic Goal: This agenda item supports the following Clarkdale Strategic Goal Area:

- Goal Area 1 - Enhance the quality of life for residents, businesses, and visitors to Clarkdale.

Background: We are developing updated language for Clarkdale's marker for the Town Park Gazebo/Bandstand to reflect the recent renovation and that the project was the recipient of the 2025 Governor's Heritage Preservation Honor Award. A new version has been attached to review and discuss.

Budget Impact: No budget impact.

Recommendation: No recommendation. Discussion only.

Clarkdale Gazebo/Bandstand

Heart of the Historic Town Plaza

Clarkdale, established in 1912 by William A. Clark, was first designed as a planned community to support the United Verde Copper Company smelter. At its center, the Town Plaza was created as a gathering place for recreation, celebration, and connection.

The original Gazebo/Bandstand was constructed in 1915 near First South Street and Tenth Street, then relocated to its current site in 1916. In 1919, during a strong copper market, the structure was rebuilt at a cost of \$353.19, establishing the foundation of the Gazebo/Bandstand seen today.

Over the decades, the Gazebo/Bandstand has evolved alongside the community it serves. This is a list of improvements and changes that have been documented over the years:

- **1960–1973:** Extensive lighting, roofing, repainting, and structural repairs enhanced its use and appearance.
- **2004:** Major **rehabilitation** took place, preserving some elements while extending the structure's life.



- **2011:** Additional repairs, including a new floor and stairs, to support continued public use.



- **2024:** A comprehensive **restoration** and **renovation** project stabilized and upgraded the Gazebo/Bandstand using durable materials, including cedar, while preserving its historic character and incorporating modern safety standards. In 2025, these improvements were recognized with a Governor's Heritage Preservation Honor Award,

which honors outstanding achievement in preserving Arizona's historic built environment.

For more than a century, the Gazebo/Bandstand has been the setting for concerts, weddings, holiday celebrations, and everyday moments. From summer music to Fourth of July gatherings and winter lights, it continues to serve as a symbol of Clarkdale's shared history and community spirit.