



# PRESCOTT PRESERVATION COMMISSION A G E N D A – SPECIAL MEETING

**PRESCOTT PRESERVATION COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2011  
8:00 AM**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
201 S. CORTEZ STREET  
PRESCOTT, ARIZONA  
(928) 777-1100**

The following agenda will be considered by the **Prescott Preservation Commission** at a **Special Meeting** to be held on **Thursday, October 27, 2011** in **Council Chambers, 201 S. Cortez Street, Prescott, Arizona at 8:00 AM**. Notice of this meeting is given pursuant to *Arizona Revised Statutes*, Section 38-431.02.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. ATTENDANCE**

**Members**

Elisabeth Ruffner, Chairman  
Mike Todd, Vice Chairman  
Russ Buchanan  
John Langellier

Seymour Petrovsky  
Doug Stroh  
Lee Vega

**III. SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**

- 1. HP11-019, 201 S Cortez St. Historic Preservation District #1, Courthouse Plaza.**  
APN: 109-01-068. Request approval for timeline mural on north side of City Hall.  
Owner is City of Prescott. Historic Preservation Specialist, Cat Moody. (*Continued from October 14, 2011*).

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

*The City of Prescott endeavors to make all public meetings accessible to persons with disabilities. With 48 hours advance notice, special assistance can also be provided for sight and/or hearing impaired persons at public meetings. Please call 928-777-1100 (voice) or (TDD) to request an accommodation to participate in the meeting.*

**CERTIFICATION OF POSTING OF NOTICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing notice was duly posted at Prescott City Hall and on the City's website on October 21, 2011 at 1:00 PM in accordance with the statement filed with the City Clerk's Office.

Kathy Dudek, Administrative Assistant  
Community Development Department



### City Hall Site Overview

The original building on the site where City Hall now stands was Howey's Hall, constructed in 1876 for the local blacksmith James Howey. It housed the Goldwater's early store, the Masonic Lodge, an opera house, and later a second hand store before being purchased by the City in 1904 for use as a fire station. Howey's Hall and the associated fire station addition were demolished in 1959 to make way for what is now the current City Hall building.

City Hall was designed by a local architect who was born and raised in Prescott, George R. Allan. Who during his long career contributed many mid-century modern buildings to the Prescott landscape. Mid-Century modern is an architectural, interior and product design form that generally describes mid-20th century developments in modern design, architecture, and urban development from roughly 1933 to 1965. Other buildings in Prescott designed by Allan include the present Prescott High School, Taylor Hicks Elementary School, banks, churches, and private residences that reflect the principles of the mid-century modern movement on a local and regional architectural level.

### Preservation References and Guidelines

The Historic Preservation Master Plan does not address murals specifically.

The Historic Preservation Code adopted by the City states as goals:

- Effect, accomplish and safeguard the protection, enhancement, preservation, and perpetuation of historic and prehistoric resources, landmarks and districts that represent or reflect elements of the City's cultural, social, aesthetic, archaeological, economic, political and architectural history;
- ensure that alterations of existing resources are compatible with the character of the preservation district;

The Historic Preservation Code further gives some criteria for appropriateness for any proposed work:

- That the proposed work would not detrimentally alter, destroy or adversely affect any architectural or landscape feature; and
- That the proposed work will be compatible with the relevant historic, cultural, educational or architectural qualities characteristic of the structure, site or district and shall include but not be limited to elements of size, scale, massing, proportions, orientation, surface textures and patterns, details and embellishments and the relation of these elements to one another
- That the exterior of any new improvement, building or structure upon a designated Historic Preservation District or Historic Preservation Landmark site will not adversely affect and will be compatible with the external appearance of existing designated improvements, buildings and structures on said site or in the Historic Preservation District.

**Site Visit: Recommended**

**Agenda Item:** HP11-019, 201 S Cortez St

**Recommended Action:**

MOVE TO DENY, APPROVE, OR APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS HP11-019,  
Request for approval for a timeline mural on the north side of City Hall at 201 S Cortez  
St.