

MINUTES

KANSAS CAPITOL RESTORATION COMMISSION

December 19, 2005
Room 123-S—Statehouse

Members Present

Senator Steve Morris, Chairman
Representative Doug Mays, Vice Chairman
Senator Greta Goodwin
Senator Anthony Hensley
Senator Derek Schmidt
Senator Dwayne Umbarger
Representative Clay Aurand
Representative Bill Feuerborn
Representative Joe Humerickhouse
Representative Melvin Neufeld

Members Absent

Senator Jim Barone
Representative Ray Merrick
Lynn Jenkins, State Treasurer
Duane Goossen, Secretary, Department of Administration

Staff

Barry Greis, Statehouse Architect
Jeff Russell, Director, Legislative Administrative Services
D. Keith Meyers, Director, Division of Facilities Management, Department of Administration
Jennie Chinn, Executive Director, State Historical Society
Alan Conroy, Director, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Raney Gilliland, Assistant Director for Research, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Mary Galligan, Assistant Director for Information Technology, Kansas Legislative Research Department
J. G. Scott, Chief Fiscal Analyst, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Conferees

Barry Greis, AIA, Statehouse Architect
William Seale, Project Historian
Mike Treanor, AIA, Treanor Architects, P.A.
Vance Kelley, Treanor Architects, P.A.
Dirk Shaffer, Senior Vice-President, J. E. Dunn Construction

Chairman Steve Morris called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Prior to the meeting, a tour of the East Wing of the Statehouse was conducted.

The Chairman welcomed Barry Greis, AIA, Statehouse Architect, who presented an overview of the agenda and introduced the Project Staff (Attachment 1). Mr. Greis introduced William Seale, who provided an historical perspective of the Statehouse. He noted that construction was begun on the Statehouse after the Civil War. The Design Committee selected the year 1917 as the year of restoration for the entire building. Mr. Seale explained that the year 1917 is appropriate because it marked the end of World War I and the end of this type of Capitol building being built in the United States. There never was to be any more like the Kansas Statehouse built and it is one of the oldest of its type in use today.

Chairman Morris welcomed Mike Treanor, AIA, Treanor Architects, P.A., who presented the architectural report. Mr. Treanor reviewed the design objectives. He noted that upon completion of the construction, approximately 110,000 square feet of floor area will be added. Mr. Treanor explained that the north entrance will be the staging area until the construction is completed. It will also house the Visitors' Center. The Revisors' area will be completed during the 2006 Legislative Session, but their offices will not move until after the Session.

Chairman Morris welcomed Vance Kelley, also with Treanor Architects, who reviewed the lessons that were learned during construction in the East Wing. He noted the Statehouse was built over a 30-year period:

- East Wing (1869);
- West Wing (1881); and
- North, South, Rotunda (1903).

Constructive investigation was done to try to prepare for the unexpected. He explained what was found and what needed to be done (see Attachment 1).

The Chairman welcomed Dirk Shafer, Senior Vice President, J. E. Dunn Construction, who gave the construction report. Mr. Shafer provided details regarding the East Wing, an Inflation Update, and the West Wing Final Estimate. He noted that there was some concern that they had with the time frames, and the challenges and surprises regarding conditions under which they had to complete their work. Mr. Shafer noted that heavy equipment and significant muscle had to be used in the basement of the East Wing. Mr. Shafer stated that some concerns that they had a year ago were the budget, some estimates, inflation, and a couple of the J. E. Dunn team members who had not performed at a level that was appropriate. It was noted that double-digit inflation during the past six months; the recent impact of the hurricanes, with a significant number of the workforce and material going to the Gulf states; and the increases in gas prices are having an inflationary impact.

Chairman Morris thanked everyone for getting construction to this point. He noted that the East Wing looks nice and he is looking forward to 10/10/2010, the end of the project.

In response to a question by Representative Feuerborn regarding the tunnel not being open by the 2006 Legislative Session, Mr. Greis explained that the West Wing currently is under construction and that materials will be moved up from the ground level on a conveyor belt through the skylights to a staging area on the first floor. In addition, Mr. Greis stated that the tunnel is not suitable for people moving through it. He stated that the tunnel would need to be sprinkled to install fire walls and it would end the construction work currently taking place.

Mr. Greis addressed the budget overview and the request for Commission action. He explained that the Capitol Restoration Commission in its Executive Summary of the Master Plan in 2000 acknowledged that its \$120,000,000 budget estimate was subject to change because of "many unknowns." Mr Greis mentioned that the Capitol Restoration Commission recommends approval of the following items to the Legislative Coordinating Council:

- FY 2007 Budget Request to issue additional bonds of \$16,227,091, plus all amounts required for costs of bond issuance, costs of interest, and required reserves;
- Revised 2005 Total Project Budget with Visitors' Center, \$162,227,091, from the current approved project total of \$135,000,000; and
- Capitol Restoration Commission Presentation and Report dated December 19, 2005.

Mr. Greis explained that they moved out the completion year to April of the year 2011 due to loss of five months because of the length of the legislative sessions.

Representative Doug Mays moved, with a second by Senator Derek Schmidt, to approve the following items:

- *The Capitol Restoration Commission recommends the Governor's FY 2007 Budget for the Department of Administration include \$16,227,091.00 additional bonding authority or direct appropriation for Capitol restoration.*
- *That the Capitol restoration project budget, including the Visitors' Center, be \$162,227,091.00.*
- *That the Capitol Restoration Commission presentation and report dated December 19, 2005 be accepted.*

The motion carried.

Senator Umbarger explained that he had received a telephone call from Senator Jim Barone, who was unable to attend the meeting, and wanted to express his concern regarding inflation affecting costs and to express his concern regarding the delay of legislative office space during the 2006 Legislative Session.

Chairman Morris thanked everyone for attending the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Prepared by Raney Gilliland

Approved by Commission on:

January 27, 2006
(date)