Retention and Classification Report

Agency: Capitol Grounds Commission (188)

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Records Officer

01130 *Account ledger
01131 *Minute book

AGENCY: Capitol Grounds Commission

SERIES: 1130 4
TITLE: Account ledger
DATES: i 1888-1896.
ARRANGEMENT: Numerical by account number, thereunder chronological.

DESCRIPTION:

In 1888 the Board of Commissioners on Capitol Grounds was created to improve grounds designated as a territorial capitol site, construct a reservoir to provide water for the site, and obtain plans for a capitol building. This account book documents appropriations by the legislature for those purposes and the expenditures made by the commissioners.
The first part of the book is a chronological listing of receipts and expenditures. The left hand pages list appropriations or receipts, such as some funding from the Salt Lake City Council. The right hand pages list expenditures for supplies, grading, wages, per diem, fencing, landscaping, trenching and reservoir work, etc. The second part of the book is sectioned into various types of accounts: bills payable, building, fence, reservoir, water works, per diem, miscellaneous, etc. Each entry contains date, payee's name, nature of expenditure, and amount.
Glued into the front of the book is a bank book showing funds deposited and checks written on an account of the commission with the Utah Title Insurance & Trust Co., 1893-1894.

RETENTION:

Retain Permanent. In Archives custody.

DISPOSITION:

Transfer to the State Archives with authority to weed.

RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:

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APPRAISAL:

Historical

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PRIMARY DESIGNATION:
Public

REVIEW AND UPDATE STATUS:
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TITLE: Minute book
DATES: i 1888-1896.
ARRANGEMENT: Chronological.
DESCRIPTION:

On 6 March 1888, the Board of Commissioners on Capitol Grounds was created with the principle duties of taking possession of capitol grounds conveyed by Salt Lake City to Utah Territory; to grade, fence, lay off, improve, and beautify that land; to construct a reservoir in conjunction with the city to supply water to those grounds and any buildings later erected there; and to test stone and obtain plans, estimates, and specifications for a territorial capitol building and any related structures. This book contains the minutes of that commission.
Entries give date, place, and time of meeting. The first entry lists the names of members. Business noted includes reports on bids, construction of City Creek reservoir, species of trees planted, testing of stone, road preparation, financing, and the solicitation of architectural plans for a capitol building.
Although the commission maintained the grounds, plans to commence construction on a territorial capitol ended with statehood in 1896 and the dissolution of the commission. No further plans were made for building until the creation of a new state Capitol Commission in 1909 to once again begin the process of obtaining plans.

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