



## **Memorandum**

**To:** The Historic Preservation Commission  
**From:** Kyndal Sagers  
**Date:** November 6, 2025  
**Re:** Walking Tour with Preservation Utah Tours App

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### **Introduction**

The Preservation Utah Tours App is a self-guided mobile platform available on Apple and Android devices. It is a gateway to sharing the stories of Utah's historic places with a statewide - and even global - audience. The Preservation Utah Tour App helps residents and visitors explore Utah's historic architecture, cultural sites, and local stories through walking and driving tours. Preservation Utah is looking for partners that will make history accessible to a broader audience, boost local heritage tourism with an easy-to-use digital tool, preserve and share the stories that make Springdale's community unique, and contribute to a statewide archive of meaningful places and memories.

### **App Partnership**

The Town chooses a tour theme and format (walking or driving), provides stories, images, and details for each stop, designates a point person for coordination, submits a signed agreement, and finalizes materials. Preservation Utah will develop and launch Springdale's tour on the app, produce audio narration for the town's approved content, host and maintain the tour for a minimum of two years, with the possibility of extension, and promote Springdale's story alongside Utah's most treasured places.

### **How the App Works**

The Homepage of the app (see Figure 1) allows users to choose between a walking or driving tour (see Figure 2). Whether the user selects "walking" or "driving," a comprehensive list is provided (see Figure 3). Once a tour is selected, a brief overview of the tour, or the beginning property, is shown (see Figure 4). There is information on the property, hours, admission details, contact information, address, research credit, photography credit, audio credit, and acknowledgment of support. Users are encouraged to download the tour, where they can go through several photos and audio files (see Figures 5 and 6).



Discover Utah history and culture at your own pace with the Preservation Utah Tour App! This self-guided mobile app offers engaging tours of historic sites, architectural gems, and heritage neighborhoods across the state. With interactive maps and easy-to-use features, you can explore Utah's past whenever and wherever you choose.

Please keep in mind that places are constantly changing, and sites in these tours may have changed since the content was created. You can help us keep our tours up to date. If you notice that a building on one of our tours has been demolished or significantly altered compared to the photos in the app, please [fill out this form](#) and let us know.

Thank You,

The Preservation Utah Team

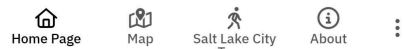


Figure 1

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Figure 2

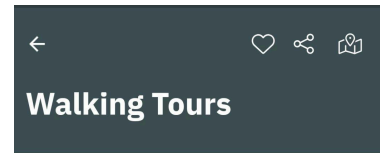
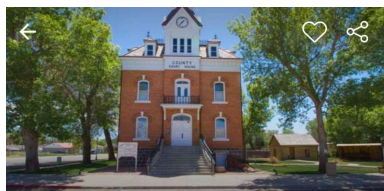


Figure 3



## Beaver: Historic Courthouse Museum

22 Stops Museum

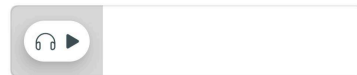
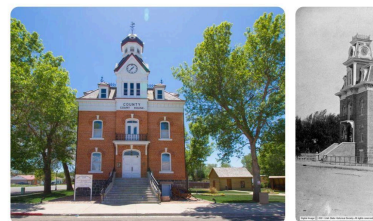
Beaver County Historic Courthouse was designed by architect Richard K.A. Kletting in the Queen Ann Victorian style. Union soldier William Stokes, stationed at nearby Fort Cameron, oversaw construction which began in 1876 and was completed in 1882. The original cost of construction was \$10,900.

The three-storied courthouse has a deep basement made of black volcanic rock and an upper portion of red brick. A prominent clock tower faces all four directions, and pink sandstone vaults and county jail were later added. The grounds also include a statue of Philo T. Farnsworth, the inventor of television and native of Beaver. The statue is identical to the one in

Download Tour (41 MB)



Figure 4



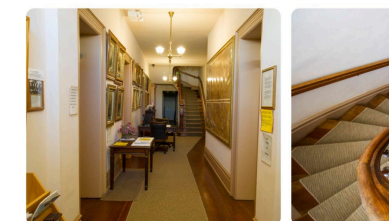
## Introduction on the Courthouse Steps

Welcome to the Beaver County Historic Courthouse. This tour has an audio component for each stop which you can listen to in addition to reading the stop descriptions. Listen as Director of the Museum Bonnie Ames takes you through the museum.

At the time it was built, the courthouse served as the center of justice for the expansive Utah Territory bordered by the Colorado River on the east and south and Nevada to the west. Beaver...



Figure 5



## 1) Front Hallway & Staircase

Welcome to the front hallway of the courthouse. Photographs of some of the early pioneers who settled Beaver, Utah are hung through the hall. In one of the display cases, you will see a silver sacramental service (pictured above) used in the old Beaver Stake House. The set was made in 1886 and was owned by Martha Beaumont who donated it to the museum in 1956.

At the end of the hall you will see the hand-carved staircase and banister. The stairs and banister travel



Figure 6

## Action

Staff sees three potential actions that the Historic Preservation Commission could take.

1. Do nothing.
2. Enter into the App Partnership with Preservation Utah Tours.
3. Implement a walking tour in another capacity.

If the Commission takes option 1, there is one point to consider:

- Section 1, Item 2 h of The Utah State Historic Preservation Office Certified Local Government Program Procedures outlines “The commission shall conduct and promote educational activities to raise public awareness among the citizens regarding historic preservation. These might include such activities as preparing walking tour booklets, conducting home tours, writing articles for the local newspaper, holding presentations and lectures, conducting awards programs, publishing and updating a website, and so forth.”

## Sample Motion Language

The Commission may refer to the following sample language when making a motion:

*The Historic Preservation Commission **decides to take no action on the Utah Preservation App partnership / decides to implement a walking tour in another capacity / recommends to the Town Council that the Town enter into a partnership with Preservation Utah Tours** as discussed in the Commission meeting on November 13th, 2025. This motion is based on the following findings:*

[LIST FINDINGS]