

## **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**

This agreement is between the Oklahoma Historical Society (OHS) and the City of Clinton, Oklahoma, regarding the transfer of the historic 1962 Glancy Motor Hotel sign and the transfer of property at 2225 W. Gary Boulevard in Clinton, Oklahoma.

### **History of the Glancy Motor Hotel and Sign**

The Glancy Motor Hotel was owned by Chester and Gladys Glancy, and it opened on July 9, 1950, in Clinton, Oklahoma on Route 66. The original hotel was expanded several times, and it boasted wall-to-wall carpeting, televisions, and individual air conditioning and heating units. A swimming pool was constructed at the hotel in 1959. The original L-shaped neon sign was replaced with a larger neon sign in 1962 that still stands on the property. The hotel was condemned by the City of Clinton in 2019 due to numerous code violations. In 2023, the Glancy Motor Hotel buildings were razed.

### **OHS Mission**

The mission of the OHS is to collect, preserve, and share the history and culture of the state of Oklahoma and its people. The OHS owns and operates the Oklahoma Route 66 Museum in Clinton, Oklahoma.

### **City of Clinton Responsibilities**

The City of Clinton agrees to the following:

1. Transfer the ownership of the Glancy Motor Hotel sign to the OHS.
2. Upon being vacated by Troop H of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol, transfer the ownership of all or a portion of the property at 2225 W. Gary Boulevard in Clinton, Oklahoma, to the OHS. The total amount of real property which will ultimately be conveyed shall be determined by the City in a survey to be commissioned by City.

### **OHS Responsibilities**

The OHS agrees to the following:

1. Remove the Glancy Motor Hotel sign from its current location
2. Contract with a qualified sign restoration vendor to restore the Glancy Motor Hotel sign, absent the "HOTEL" lettering at the top, which was not part of the original 1962 sign.
3. Erect the restored sign on the property formerly occupied by Troop H of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol at 2225 W. Gary Boulevard in Clinton, Oklahoma.
4. Maintain the restored sign as an exterior exhibit of the Oklahoma Route 66 Museum.
5. In the future, the OHS plans to convert the property at 2225 W. Gary Boulevard in Clinton, Oklahoma, to additional parking for the Oklahoma Route 66 Museum and future expansion of the Museum facilities. These options are subject to available funding.

Should the property at 2225 W. Gary Boulevard in Clinton, Oklahoma, not be transferred to the OHS, the OHS will return the Glancy Motor Hotel sign to the City of Clinton.

The conveyance of the Glancy Motor Hotel sign and real property at 2225 W. Gary Boulevard shall be subject to a right of reverter, should OHS ever cease to operate the Oklahoma Route 66 Museum on Gary Boulevard in Clinton, OK.

**Effective Date**

This MOU will become effective with the signatures of both parties.

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Executive Director, Oklahoma Historical Society

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**Robert Johnston**  
City Manager, City of Clinton

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