



MINUTES

SUNNYVALE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Wednesday, July 2, 2008 at 7:00 P.M.

**West Conference Room, Sunnyvale City Hall
456 West Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale**

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Present: Vice Chair Betty Fussell; Comm. Frenchie Marsolais; Comm. Nancy McDonough; Comm. Jeanine Stanek; Comm. David Squellati; Comm. Nirmala Vaidyanathan; Comm. Amrit Verma

Staff: Ryan Kuchenig, Associate Planner; Joey Mariano, Staff Office Assistant

SCHEDULED PRESENTATION

None

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONSENT CALENDAR

A) Approval of **June 4, 2008** Draft Minutes

Comm. McDonough made a motion to approve the June 4, 2008 Draft Minutes with modifications. Comm. Verma seconded. Motion carried 5-0 with Comm.'s Marsolais and Squellati abstaining.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

A) Introduction of newly appointed Commissioners

The Commissioners introduced themselves to Commissioners Squellati and Marsolais, who are newly appointed. They each noted their interest for Sunnyvale's history and reasons why they applied for this Commission. They also noted their experience and background with relevance to heritage preservation.

Comm. Marsolais formally introduced herself.

David Squellati formally introduced himself.

Ryan Kuchenig, Associate Planner also introduced himself and gave some background with the Commission.

Joey Mariano, Staff Office Assistant introduced himself and welcomed the new Commissioners.

B) Selection of Chair and Vice Chair

Comm.'s voted for Comm. Stanek to serve as Chair. Motion carried 6-0 with Comm. Stanek abstaining.

Comm.'s nominated Comm. McDonough to serve as Vice Chair. Voted 6-0 with Comm. McDonough abstaining.

C) Discussion of Potential Study Issues for 2009

Ryan Kuchenig discussed the study issue process to the Commission. He also noted the Onizuka Artifacts study issue ranked 13 of 16 of the total study issues. The other two study issues considered last year by the Commission were not ranked by City Council.

Comm. McDonough noted that the Hendy Museum should be available to the public.

Chair Stanek noted that the Parks & Recreation Commission was involved with the Museum. She asked staff if it was a conflict of interest if the Parks and Recreation Commission are involved with the Museum.

Mr. Kuchenig noted that he would get more detail regarding the Parks and Recreation Commission's study of the Museum. Vice Chair Fussell noted that the parcel is in historical status.

Chair Stanek asked Comm. Squellati and Comm. Marsolais if they had any topics to study.

Mr. Kuchenig noted that the Commission will meet on August 6 to review the Onizuka study and on the scheduled September 3rd meeting, which will include more discussion of study issue topics for 2009.

Mr. Kuchenig noted that the Heritage Resource study issue's current status. He also gave a background of the study issue for the new Commissioners.

Mr. Kuchenig described the Newsrack District study issue and its background and how it was developed. He then noted its current status. He noted it should be completed in the next several months as downtown is developing.

Vice Chair Fussell asked Mr. Kuchenig about the news racks. Mr. Kuchenig noted that this Newsrack district is a pilot program for the City. Mr. Kuchenig presented an aerial poster of the approved locations. He then noted that the news rack displays may eventually extend outside of Murphy Avenue and into the rest of downtown along with El Camino Real.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS

A) 2008 Study Issues – update

Mr. Kuchenig updated the Commission on current study issues. He also discussed the processes of each study issue paper.

B) Staff – Follow up

Mr. Kuchenig noted that the Ranere Court application has passed its appeal period, but the applicant has submitted a staff level permit application to work with the approved recommendations.

Vice Chair Fussell asked staff for clarification of the proposal and the garages placement to the historical structure. Mr. Kuchenig responded.

Mr. Kuchenig updated the Commission on Rok Bistro on Murphy Avenue, which was sent to this Commission for approval. He noted that they are coming along and in the building permit process.

Staff also updated the Commission about Thai Basil restaurant on Murphy Avenue. He noted that they are continuing to work on final material color selection with staff.

Mr. Kuchenig also noted that the Onizuka Base study will be heard in the August meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Ryan Kuchenig, Associate Planner