



Draft Minutes

SUNNYVALE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Wednesday, September 2, 2009 at 7:00 P.M.
West Conference Room, Sunnyvale City Hall
456 West Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

Staff Present: Ryan Kuchenig, Associate Planner; Joey Mariano, Recording Secretary

SCHEDULED PRESENTATION

None

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of July 1, 2009 Draft Minutes

Vice Chair Mc Donough made a motion to approve the Draft Minutes of July 1, 2009 as amended. Comm. Vaidyanathan seconded. Motion carried 6 - 0.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Potential Study Issues for 2010

Mr. Kuchenig summarized the scheduling of the study issue ranking process. He noted that four study issues were brought to City Council last year, and CDD-19 had been dropped. Remaining study issues from this Commission would be CDD-05, CDD-18, and CDD-37. He noted that City Council recommended combining CDD-18 and CDD-37. He noted that CDD-05 (Onizuka AFS Artifacts) relates to the current BRAC study by City staff.

Comm. Vaidyanathan asked for clarification of what the Commissioners task is for the study issue process. Mr. Kuchenig clarified and summarized the study issue process.

Chair Stanek noted CDD-37 (Buildings of Character), and related a conversation with a colleague regarding the building on the northeast corner of Sunnyvale-Saratoga Road and Remington Drive. A drug store is planned at this location and the building will be demolished.

Comm. Squellati noted clarification of the wording of CDD-37. Mr. Kuchenig took note of his suggestion and will make the changes prior to ranking if the study.

Vice Chair McDonough asked (regarding CDD-37) who would be the deciding body to define a building of character. Mr. Kuchenig responded that this study issue would provide options as to how such buildings could qualify and to clarify the review process. He further noted that another city has a similar designation which will be researched.

Comm. Vaidyanathan asked who would retain the artifacts located in the Onizuka Air Force Base. She asked for clarification regarding the wording of the study issue. Mr. Kuchenig responded that he will follow up with the City staff for any updated information and will clarify the intent of this study issue.

Chair Stanek asked staff about the Sunnyvale "Images" book, and if there is information of when a building (which is shown in this book) was demolished. Mr. Kuchenig noted that staff is working on creating a map which illustrates the locations of Heritage Resources and may include resources that had been removed. Chair Stanek noted that this book does not have an index, and it is difficult to find a specific structure without looking through the whole book.

Mr. Kuchenig noted that study issue CDD-18 (Inventory of Historic Signs) is also on the deferred list. Comm. Vaidyanathan noted a sign located on Homestead Road and Wolfe Road representing a well that is located there. Mr. Kuchenig noted that this study was proposed to be combined with CDD-37.

Comm. Squellati asked if there is an update on the Onizuka AFB. Mr. Kuchenig answered that he is not aware of any new information, except for the fact that the study is ongoing. Comm. Squellati noted that this study issue has the most importance among the other study issues from the Commission.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS

Mr. Kuchenig noted that there may be projects involving Heritage Resources coming to this Commission in the near future for consideration as he has received inquiries.

