CALL TO ORDER/SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Jeanine Stanek; Vice Chair David Squellati; Comm. Ted Ringel; Comm. Nirmala Vaidyanathan; Comm. Amrit Verma

Absent: Frenchie Marsolais (excused)

Staff Present: Mayor Melinda Hamilton; Trudi Ryan, Planning Officer; Ryan Kuchenig, Associate Planner; Noren Caliva, Associate Planner; Rosemarie Zulueta, Assistant Planner; Joey Mariano, Recording Secretary

Members of the Public: Mark Johnson

SCHEDULED PRESENTATION

None

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

1.A. Approval of the April 6, 2011 Draft Minutes


PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Board and Commission Member Recognition
Mayor Hamilton described her interest in historic preservation and thanked the Commissioners for their service to the City. She presented an award to Chair Stanek as recognition for her years of service.

Chair Stanek thanked the Mayor and accepted her recognition award.

2. Training Session - Mr. Anthony Kirk, Historian

Anthony Kirk, Historian, stated his professional background. He described the previous training session for the Commission that he performed five years ago. He noted that he would try to present an improved training session for this Commission. He also stated the types of historic work he conducts; its purpose, and various types of analysis reports.

The Commissioners introduced themselves and expressed their interests about heritage preservation.

Mark Johnson, member of the public and soon to be appointed to the Commission, introduced himself. He described his professional background and interest in historic preservation. He mentioned his previous appointment as a Housing and Human Services Commissioner for the City.

Mr. Kirk stated that this Commission seems to have more of an understanding of historic preservation than many other commissions for which he has conducted a training session. He commended them for this background knowledge, and noted that he would try to be more in-depth during the training session.

Mr. Kirk reviewed some material he had brought to the meeting. He noted that the “National Historical Bulletin” is a great tool to use for historic evaluation. He further referred to other publications.

Mr. Kirk described various types of buildings in Sunnyvale, context statements, surveys, evaluations, and publications that can be used for historic evaluations. He gave a few examples of historic evaluations that he had done. He said if the initial environmental assessment (Phase I) of a property leads to any historical significance, a DPR form is then produced. He also pointed out the National Register Bulletin 15, which states three kinds of historical significance: architectural, archaeological, and cultural significance.

3. Review of Proposed FY 2011-2012 Budget for Planning Program – Trudi Ryan

Trudi Ryan, Planning Officer, summarized the Planning Division program of the budget. The budget has a series of activities with a certain amount of the budget allocated for each. She further summarized the budget in regards to the Heritage Preservation Commission.

Vice Chair Squellati asked if budget items are adjusted for inflation. Mrs. Ryan responded in the affirmative.

Mr. Johnson asked about the “public” activity items in the budget. Ms. Ryan clarified that staff uses these numbers for tracking purposes.
NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS

None

INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Ryan Kuchenig, Associate Planner