

# Historic Resources Board

An advisory board to the Huntington Beach City Council

## MINUTES HUNTINGTON BEACH ART CENTER HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD

Friday, January 26, 2007  
1:30 p.m.  
Huntington Beach Art Center  
538 Main Street  
Huntington Beach CA 92648

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Morgan called the meeting of the Historic Resources Board to order at 1:40 p.m. at which time a quorum was met.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Essner, Howard, Kennedy, Morgan, Ryan, Carchio (Council Liaison), Hardy (Council Liaison)

### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Harris, Santiago, Watkins

### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Hoffman, Clary

### **GUEST:**

None

### **WELCOME & INTRODUCTION:**

1. The board welcomed new council liaison, Joe Carchio to the Historic Resources Board. Hoffman gave Carchio an overview of the board's history and current goals. The board members introduced themselves and briefly discussed their backgrounds.

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Hoffman spoke with Nuana Robinson and confirmed that she is interested in becoming a member of the Historic Resources Board.
2. Hoffman announced upcoming ethics training dates and reminded the board that it is state mandated that they attend this training as board members.
3. Hoffman said that there has been a clarification by the City Attorney that a person may serve on only one board or commission at a time, however, they may serve on more than one committee.
4. Hoffman informed the board that Administration has determined that there is a necessity to track board meeting attendance. A board member is allowed 3 absences. Staff will track and report to council members.

5. Kennedy asked Hoffman to refresh the board on the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program of 1993. Hoffman distributed a copy. This item will be agendized for a future meeting.

### **CURRENT ISSUE UPDATES:**

1. Discuss Educational Program:
  - Hardy reiterated her interest to the board and said she volunteers her assistance with the education program.
  - Hoffman asked council liaisons if they have a response to the letter sent last December regarding the demolition process. Hardy asked Hoffman if the letter is enough. Hoffman said it is to establish the flaws in the system, but the board doesn't know what to do to fix the situation. Hardy said that there is a report being prepared regarding the Planning Dept. and once it is available, there will be some changes made. Hardy has spoken to the company preparing the report regarding the HRB and where they belong in the process. Hoffman said she will resend the letter to the Planning Dept. A discussion ensued on other cities preservation policies. Essner suggested a field trip to the California Heights area of Long Beach.
  - Carchio asked if the board designates the historical properties list. Hoffman said there is no process for that at this time. A consultant group, along with the Historic Resources Board determined which homes went on the list when the survey was completed in 1986. Hoffman gave a description of the homeowners' rights on listing their home as historic.
  - Ryan distributed the outline she has developed for the Educational Lecture Series on Huntington Beach. The outline was developed from items discussed in previous meetings. She and the board discussed various ideas, including a walking tour through a Power Point presentation. Hoffman suggested a working committee be established. Morgan nominated Ryan to chair the committee. The board unanimously approved the nomination. Ryan will call individual board members to determine who is interested in being on the committee. Hoffman offered the art center facilities as a meeting place. Discussion of the committee will be agendized for the next meeting.
  - Ryan informed the board that Chris Jepsen has created a blog about Huntington Beach at <http://ccristical.blogspot.com/>.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Selection Process for New City Historian:
  - Hoffman informed the board that the City is ready to appoint a new historian, but there is currently no process in order, so the City has asked the board to establish a selection process. A suggested job description was distributed. The board agreed to review and discuss at the next meeting.

### **MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED**

1. Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program
2. Job Summary – City Historian
3. Educational Lecture Series Outline

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 16, 2007 at 1:30 pm.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

By: Charlene Clary, Recording Secretary