

Historic Resources Board

An advisory board to the Huntington Beach City Council

MINUTES HUNTINGTON BEACH ART CENTER HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD

Friday, September 21, 2007
1:30 p.m.
Huntington Beach Art Center
538 Main Street
Huntington Beach CA 92648

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Historic Resources Board came to order at 1:36 p.m. at which time a quorum was met.

ROLL CALL: Essner, Harris, Howard, Kennedy, Ryan, Santiago, Watkins

ABSENCES: Morgan, Council Liaisons Carchio and Hardy

STAFF PRESENT: Hoffman, Clary

GUEST: Barbara Haynes, Nuuana Robinson, Rami Tallah, HB Planning Dept.

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION: Santiago welcomed the board and introduced the guests.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Presentation by the HB Planning Dept. regarding the Warner/Manning Homes:
 - Joe Santiago introduced Rami Tallah and explained to the board that since he is the owner of the property in question, Santiago would be excusing himself from this portion of the meeting. In addition, he has asked Nuuana Robinson to act as his representative during his absence from the meeting.
 - Mr. Tallah took over the presentation by giving the board an overview of the properties original location, owners and how it came to be in its current location. Mr. Tallah told the board that he is coming before them today to ask their approval to retroactively permit the improvements according to State Dept. of Historic Preservation. The three condition, which are supported by the Planning Dept. are as follows:
 1. Steel beam above garage to support weight of Manning house to be distinctly designed to represent new construction.
 2. Install exterior stairs along wall of house to second story. This item to be removed from the condition process.

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3. Construction of a dormer. Original home did not contain a dormer and permits need to be retroactive.

- Nuwana Robinson read a letter from Mr. Santiago voicing his stand and compromises in the renovation of his property.
- The board discussed the issues before them and voted unanimously to support the changes in the original condition to allow Mr. Santiago to make the noted changes.
- Joe Santiago rejoined the meeting and was informed of the board's decision.

CURRENT ISSUE UPDATES:

1. **Educational Program Update:**

- Ryan gave a synopsis of the last education committee meeting. They are making progress and have developed a research checklist. They decided on a process of developing the workshops for 2008. The committee has identified the need for a videographer and editor. Watson said she can ask a student through the Golden West College ROP class, which she is involved with, to be the videographer.
- The next meeting will be held at 5:30 on October 3rd at Roger's Sr. Center. Ryan said they are in need of a sub-committee for the oral interviews. Ryan will contact Phil Chinn to give a presentation on preservation at the next board meeting.

2. **Demolition Review Discussion:**

- There are currently three outstanding demo reviews. Santiago will continue to train Watkins before turning the task over to her. The board discussed some of the homes currently under review. He suggested that the board draft a letter to the Planning Dept. asking to include properties outside of the downtown area in the demo requests.
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NEW BUSINESS:

1. None

MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED

1. Planning Dept. Memos

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 19, 2007 at 1:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 2:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

By: Charlene Clary, Recording Secretary