

Historic Resources Board

Minutes for 01/21/15

Meeting was called to order at 5:40 PM by Chair Duane Wentworth.

Roll call was taken; Santiago, Schey, Cowling, David Wentworth, and Duane Wentworth were present.

Approval of Minutes:

It was brought to the attention of the Board that the minutes from the last meeting either were not taken, or weren't available. No action taken.

Public Comments: No public comments.

Standing Committee reports:

Mills Act: Santiago reports he is the only applicant for the Mills Act so far. David Wentworth said he'd put the information on the Mills Act back on our HRB Facebook, as well as several other social media HB forums. A motion was made by Santiago to have Planning notify all of the approximately 260 property owners on the proposed General Plan list of their eligibility for the Mills Act. The notification should include a synopsis of the benefits and responsibilities and a reassurance that it is strictly voluntary, and that the participation does NOT preclude additional development, it just guides it to maximize historic integrity and value. Santiago also thinks everyone on the potential secondary list should be notified because they are the ones that will benefit the most by using the Mills Act savings to restore their properties to a state that would make them eligible for the General Plan list. Again reminding the proposed secondary list that listing doesn't preclude additional development. Motion was seconded by Cowling. All Ayes.

Design Review Board report: Schey reported the Board voted to allow Morning Jade to go forward to HB City Council for approval going forward to by-pass a set back of their proposed project. There was also a discussion of when and how the HRB becomes a part of the process and how the HRB can help in the future. As per R. Ramos, Mr. Hess has agreed to meet with HRB designees to discuss this. The listing of pending projects was noted being available on the Planning Department website.

Administrative:

Treasurer's Report: No update available, Essner absent.

Discuss applications for vacancies: Board had a discussion on the 8 new applicants to the HRB, and reviewed the applications and qualifications. Asked R. Ramos to invite several potential applicants to our next HRB meeting to further the process.

Demolition Review: Santiago reports none.

Galvin Survey: Schey reports she has some concerns about the Galvin Survey that have not yet been addressed.

Wintersburg: Dave Wentworth report he attended a Task Force meeting for Wintersburg the previous week. Wintersburg Task Force is funded for the Urban Land Institute Study. The PBS Special-Our American Family featuring the Furuta Family should be airing soon. Some positive comments going forward, Republic Services(an ecology minded company) had purchased Rainbow disposal, and they have no plans to develop the Wintersburg site. And they have no firm commitment for demolition, past the deadline, but would like the site to be used for adaptive re-use. Task Force is in need of a covered trailer to store & transport their historical props to events. They need a 12' x 16,' or smaller. Contact Mary Urashima if any leads.

Oral History: Schey tabled for now.

Blue Prints: Duane Wentworth, nothing new to report

Historical Society: Duane Wentworth has nothing new to report

Walking Tour: Duane Wentworth reported he contacted the Visitors Bureau and they originally agreed to pay 1/2 the cost, and volunteered to contact Fred Wilson to help pay the other half. It was then agreed that VB would pay 1/3 and the city 1/3, with either our HRB, or the HB Chamber of Commerce to fund the remaining portion. It was mentioned that the usually accepted mention of the HB Visitor's Bureau be allowed on the brochure for their efforts.

Surf City Nights: David Wentworth reported that we did not attend the event in December or January due to holiday, and lack of manpower due to vacations etc.We plan to attend the next event on February 10, 2015.

Plaques & City Markers: Schey passed out a handout printed by the Orange County Community Resources & OC Parks, Policies and Procedures, containing information and application for requesting plaques funded by them. Schey suggested we review recommendations from their criteria for our recommendations. Also suggested the HRB come up with a plaque protocol for future potential plaques, either for plaque requests sent to the County, or we design, and the requester of the plaque pays. It was requested we keep this as an Agenda Item. Schey suggested to Kay Cowling they visit the list of HB Plaque sites and photograph them for future reference, Cowling agreed.

Facebook: David Wentworth reported we have 503 Likes now on our HRB F/B page.

Notebooks: Schey reported HRB notebooks are coming out next month.

Materials Distributed and Recent Findings: Schey was handed the raw footage DVD's from the HB Centennial, returned by Connie Boardman to R. Ramos.

Items to be Agendized: None

Next Meeting/Adjournment: Adjourn at 8:20 PM, motion by Santiago and seconded by Schey, all Ayes. Next meeting February 18, 2015 at 5:00 PM.