



# City of Santa Clara

## Meeting Minutes

### Historical & Landmarks Commission

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05/05/2022

6:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

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#### **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

**Chair Leung** called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

**Chair Leung** announced that **Commissioner Vargas-Smith** had informed herself and staff of her absence in advance of the meeting.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Stocks, seconded by Commissioner Celso to excuse Commissioner Vargas-Smith's absence.**

**Aye:** 6 - Commissioner Kirby, Chair Leung, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, Commissioner Romano, and Commissioner Stocks

**Absent:** 1 - Vice Chair Vargas-Smith

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. [22-601](#) Historical and Landmarks Commission Minutes of March 3, 2022

**Recommendation:** Approve the Historical and Landmarks Commission Minutes of March 3, 2022.

**Chair Leung** recused from voting due to her absence at the previous meeting.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Celso, seconded by Commissioner Romano to approve the consent calendar.**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Kirby, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, Commissioner Romano, and Commissioner Stocks

**Absent:** 1 - Vice Chair Vargas-Smith

**Recused:** 1 - Chair Leung

### **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

**Commissioner Romano** asked for an update about the work occurring at the property located at 712 Jefferson Street. **Associate Planner Steve Le** indicated that a stop work order was issued for the property and the homeowner is working on providing an updated application. Staff will determine if the work proposed requires review by the Commission when the plans are resubmitted.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

2. [22-564](#) Consideration of a Historical Preservation Agreement (Mills Act Contract) for 1356 Main Street

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the Historical and Landmarks Commission find that the Mills Act Application and associated 10-Year Plan for restoration and maintenance accomplish the intent of preserving and maintaining the historical significance of the property; and therefore, recommend Council approval of a Mills Act Contract, and the adoption of a 10-Year Restoration and Maintenance Plan associated with the Historical Preservation Agreement.

**Associate Planner Nimisha Agrawal** provided the staff presentation. **Homeowner Brian Dawbin** and **Historic Consultant William Kostura** spoke regarding the project.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Romano, seconded by Commissioner Stocks to close public hearing.**

**Aye:** 6 - Commissioner Kirby, Chair Leung, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, Commissioner Romano, and Commissioner Stocks

**Absent:** 1 - Vice Chair Vargas-Smith

**A motion was made by Commissioner Romano, seconded by Commissioner Celso to approve staff recommendation.**

**Aye:** 6 - Commissioner Kirby, Chair Leung, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, Commissioner Romano, and Commissioner Stocks

**Absent:** 1 - Vice Chair Vargas-Smith

3. [22-528](#) Consideration of a Major Significant Property Alteration Permit for a Second-story Addition to the Historic Property located at 1540 Homestead Road

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends the Historical and Landmarks Commission find that, based upon the analysis and findings of the historical evaluation, the Commission forward a recommendation of approval for issuance of a Significant Property Alteration (SPA) Permit to the Planning Commission for the proposed addition, subject to the procedures outlined in the Preservation Treatment Plan attached to the Development Plans.

**Associate Planner Steve Le** provided the staff presentation.

**Homeowners Anita Casanovas and Chris Rice** and **Applicant Leopold Vandeneynde** spoke regarding the project.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Romano, seconded by Commissioner Swartzwelder to close public hearing.**

**Aye:** 6 - Commissioner Kirby, Chair Leung, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, Commissioner Romano, and Commissioner Stocks

**Absent:** 1 - Vice Chair Vargas-Smith

**Commissioner Stocks** recused from voting due to the proximity of the project property to his residence.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Celso, seconded by Commissioner Romano to continue the Item to the June 2, 2022 meeting for guidance from the City's volunteer advisor on consistency with the Secretary of Interior's Standards for rehabilitation.**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Kirby, Chair Leung, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, and Commissioner Romano

**Absent:** 1 - Vice Chair Vargas-Smith

**Recused:** 1 - Commissioner Stocks

## **STAFF REPORT**

1. Berryessa Adobe Maintenance

**Staff Liaison Rebecca Bustos** shared that there weren't any updates since the previous meeting.

**COMMISSIONERS REPORT**

1. Subcommittee Reporting - 20 minutes

[22-618](#) Review and Modify the Subcommittee Assignments

**Recommendation:** There is no staff recommendation.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Celso, seconded by Commissioner Romano to add Commissioner Stocks to the Historic Surveying subcommittee.**

**Aye:** 6 - Commissioner Kirby, Chair Leung, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, Commissioner Romano, and Commissioner Stocks

**Absent:** 1 - Vice Chair Vargas-Smith

2. Board and Committee Assignments - 15 minutes

Commissioners reported on their assignments.

<b>Board/Committee</b>	<b>Lead/Alternate</b>
Santa Clara Arts and Historic Consortium	Leung / Romano
Historic Preservation Society of Santa Clara	Vargas-Smith / Leung
Old Quad Residents Association	Leung / Romano
Development Review Hearing	Romano / Vargas-Smith
BART/ High Speed Rail/ VTA BRT Committee	Vargas-Smith / Swartzwelder
Zoning Ordinance Update	Romano / Swartzwelder
El Camino Real Specific Plan Community Advisory Committee	Leung
Downtown Revitalization	Vargas-Smith / Romano

3. Announcements and Other Items - 10 minutes

None.

4. Commissioner Travel and Training Requests - 10 minutes

None.

[22-572](#)

California Preservation Foundation (CPF) Annual Conference, June 7 - June 12, 2022

**Recommendation:** Staff has no recommendation. A vote should take place to expend funds if Commissioners would like to attend the conference.

**Staff Liaison Rebecca Bustos** informed the Commission that staff will send an email to Commissioners to confirm attendance.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Romano, seconded by Commissioner Stocks to expend funds for the 2022 California Preservation Conference registrations.**

**Aye:** 6 - Commissioner Kirby, Chair Leung, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, Commissioner Romano, and Commissioner Stocks

**Absent:** 1 - Vice Chair Vargas-Smith

5. Discussion of National Preservation Month

**Staff Liaison Rebecca Bustos** discussed the display case in the City Clerk's Office of the HABS drawings of the houses on Harrison Street. She also mentioned the ongoing social media campaign highlighting the homes throughout the month of May.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Swartzwelder, seconded by Commissioner Stocks to adjourn the meeting.**

**The meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.**

**The next regular scheduled meeting is on June 2, 2022.**

**Aye:** 6 - Commissioner Kirby, Chair Leung, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, Commissioner Romano, and Commissioner Stocks

**Absent:** 1 - Vice Chair Vargas-Smith

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