



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Historical & Landmarks Commission

10/01/2020

6:00 PM City Manager's Staff Conf. Room - Adjacent to City Hall
Council Chambers
1500 Warburton Avenue
Santa Clara, CA 95050

Revision: Agenda previously stated that the meeting would be a virtual meeting with all Commissioners and Staff Liaison participating remotely. Revised to include that meeting will be held in the City Manager's Office Staff Conference Room with all Commissioners participating remotely and staff present at City Hall.

Pursuant to the provisions of California Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, issued on March 17, 2020, to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the City of Santa Clara has implemented the following method for the public to participate remotely:

- Via Zoom:
o <https://santaclaraca.zoom.us/j/97233262035> or o Phone: 1 (669) 900-6833
Webinar ID: 972 3326 2035

Public Comments prior to meeting may be submitted via email to HistoricalLandmarksCommission@santaclaraca.gov no later than noon on the day of the meeting.

The meeting set-up is in line with the recommendations of the COVID-19 White House Task Force, which notes no more than 10 people gatherings. Historical and Landmarks Commissioners will be participating remotely. A limited number of staff will also be present.

We highly encourage interested members of the public to stay at home and provide public comment remotely. Any members of the public wishing to come in person should first check-in at the City Manager's Staff Conference Room. City staff may direct you to wait in the City Hall cafeteria or outside the Council Chambers until your item of interest is discussed in order to maintain sufficient social distancing guidelines.

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- If you no longer wish to stay in the meeting once your item has been heard, you may leave the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Leung called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Present 7 - Chair Patricia Leung, Vice Chair Stephen Estes, Commissioner J.L. "Spike" Standifer, Commissioner Ana Vargas-Smith, Commissioner Michael Celso, Commissioner Megan Swartzwelder, and Commissioner Kathleen Romano

CONSENT CALENDAR

1.A [20-957](#) Retroactive Vote Regarding Commissioner Standifer Absence at September 3, 2020 HLC Meeting

Recommendation: There is no Staff Recommendation

Item 1.A was pulled from the Consent Calendar for discussion. A motion was made by Commissioner Estes, seconded by Commissioner Vargas-Smith to excuse Commissioner Standifer's absence at the September 3, 2020 Historical and Landmarks Commission Meeting.

Aye: 6 - Chair Leung, Vice Chair Estes, Commissioner Vargas-Smith, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, and Commissioner Romano

Abstained: 1 - Commissioner Standifer

1.B [20-910](#) Historical and Landmarks Commission Minutes of September 3, 2020

Recommendation: Approve the Historical and Landmarks Commission Minutes of September 3, 2020.

A motion was made by Commissioner Celso, seconded by Commissioner Estes to approve the Historical and Landmarks Commission Minutes of September 3, 2020 with a minor modification.

Aye: 6 - Chair Leung, Vice Chair Estes, Commissioner Vargas-Smith, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, and Commissioner Romano

Abstained: 1 - Commissioner Standifer

1.C [20-911](#) Historical and Landmarks Commission 2021 Calendar of Meetings

Recommendation: Approve the Historical and Landmarks Commission 2021 Calendar of Meetings.

A motion was made by Commissioner Estes, seconded by Commissioner Romano to approve the Historical and Landmarks Commission 2021 Calendar of Meetings.

Aye: 6 - Chair Leung, Vice Chair Estes, Commissioner Vargas-Smith, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, and Commissioner Romano

Abstained: 1 - Commissioner Standifer

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None

GENERAL BUSINESS

2. [20-880](#) Public Hearing: Consideration of Historic Resource Inventory Property Designation and Historical Preservation Agreement (Mills Act Contract) for 1176 Lincoln Avenue

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Celso, seconded by Commissioner Estes to approve the staff recommendation with modifications to the 10-Year Restoration and Maintenance Plan and to grant a bronze plaque "c.1923" for 1176 Lincoln Street.

Aye: 7 - Chair Leung, Vice Chair Estes, Commissioner Standifer, Commissioner Vargas-Smith, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, and Commissioner Romano

3. [20-881](#) Public Hearing: Consideration of Historical Preservation Agreement (Mills Act Contract) for the property 590 Monroe Street

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

Commissioner Standifer left the meeting around 7:00 pm due to technical difficulties.

A motion was made by Commissioner Celso, seconded by Commissioner Swartzwelder to approve the staff recommendation and grant a bronze plaque "c.1905" to 590 Monroe Street.

Aye: 6 - Chair Leung, Vice Chair Estes, Commissioner Vargas-Smith, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, and Commissioner Romano

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Standifer

4. [20-899](#) Public Hearing: Consideration of the Nomination of Pomeroy Green to the National Register of Historic Places

Recommendation: Staff has no recommendation on the Nomination of Pomeroy Green to the National Register of Historic Places.

A motion was made by Commissioner Estes, seconded by Commissioner Vargas-Smith to nominate Pomeroy Green to the National Register of Historic Places.

Aye: 6 - Chair Leung, Vice Chair Estes, Commissioner Vargas-Smith, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, and Commissioner Romano

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Standifer

STAFF REPORT

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Subcommittee Reporting - 20 minutes

No subcommittee meetings have been held.

Board and Committee Assignments - 15 minutes

Commissioners present reported on assignments.

Announcements and Other Items - 10 minutes

Commissioners discussed the upcoming Parade of Champions event.

Commissioner Travel and Training Requests - 10 minutes

None.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

The next meeting is on Thursday, November 5 at 6 p.m.

Aye: 6 - Chair Leung, Vice Chair Estes, Commissioner Vargas-Smith, Commissioner Celso, Commissioner Swartzwelder, and Commissioner Romano

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Standifer