



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Historical & Landmarks Commission

04/01/2021

6:00 PM

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Leung called the meeting to order at 6:01 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 [21-432](#) Consideration of a request for a plaque for the property at 710 Madison Street

Recommendation: Approve a bronze plaque circa 1911 for the property located at 710 Madison Street, and allocate funds to cover the cost of the plaque in the amount of approximately \$200.00.

Item 1.A was pulled from the consent calendar for discussion by **Staff Liaison Rebecca Bustos**.

Chair Leung and **Commissioner Romano** were recused from voting due to their proximity to the property.

Public Speaker(s): Tim Konkol
Suzanne Avina

A motion was made by Commissioner Vargas-Smith, seconded by Commissioner Celso to continue Item 1.A to the next meeting to allow staff to get a quote for a larger plaque and to work with Mr. Konkol, Ms. Avina, and Historical and Landmarks Commission Historical Advisor Lorie Garcia on the plaque language.

Aye: 5 - Vice Chair Estes, Commissioner Standifer, Commissioner Vargas-Smith, Commissioner Celso, and Commissioner Swartzwelder

Recused: 2 - Chair Leung, and Commissioner Romano

- 1.B [21-433](#) Historical and Landmarks Commission Minutes of March 4, 2021

Recommendation: Approve the Historical and Landmarks Commission Minutes of March 4, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vargas-Smith, seconded by Commissioner Swartzwelder to approve staff recommendation.

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

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

GENERAL BUSINESS

2. [21-435](#) Public Hearing: Consideration of an Architectural Review of a proposed addition at a property located at 1772 Main Street that is within 200 feet of a Historic Resource. (Continued from March 4, 2021 HLC Meeting)

Recommendation: There is no staff recommendation.

Associate Planner Nimisha Agrawal provided the staff presentation. The Commission thanked the owner for working with staff to revise the plans and suggested modifying the proposed windows and garage to carriage-style. **Historical and Landmarks Commission Architectural Advisor Craig Mineweaser** discussed his comment letter.

Commissioner Standifer abstained from voting due to technical difficulties relating to Zoom.

Public Speaker(s): Azadeh Masrour
Guillermo Segura

A motion was made by Commissioner Estes, seconded by Commissioner Vargas-Smith find the proposed project, given that alterations are made to the front windows to harmonize their alignment and given the choice of a carriage-style garage door in the rear, does not destroy or have a significant adverse effect on the integrity of the designated property across the street; that the alterations are compatible with the existing structure and setting in the Old Quad neighborhood; and recommend approval at the Development Review Hearing subject to the conditions of approval.

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

Abstained: 1 - Commissioner Standifer

3. [21-434](#) Public Hearing: Action on the Certified Local Government (CLG) 2019-2020 Annual Report

Recommendation: Approve the Certified Local Government (CLG) 2019-2020 Annual Report.

Staff Liaison Rebecca Bustos presented the report to the Commission.

A motion was made by Commissioner Romano, seconded by Commissioner Vargas-Smith to accept the report, pending any additional information, and to submit it to the Office of Historical Preservation by April 30, 2021.

STAFF REPORT

Staff Liaison Rebecca Bustos updated the Commission about the 2021 California Preservation Foundation conference being moved to June with more details to be given at the next meeting.

1. Berryessa Adobe Maintenance

Staff Liaison Rebecca Bustos shared that the Berryessa Adobe's maintenance is currently on hold.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

1. Subcommittee Reporting - 20 minutes

Commissioners present reported on subcommittee activities.

2. Board and Committee Assignments - 15 minutes

Commissioners present reported on assignments.

3. Announcements and Other Items - 10 minutes

Commissioner Romano shared that **Historical and Landmarks Commission Historical Advisor Lorie Garcia** urged the Commission to view the modern preservation series held by the California Preservation Foundation. Commissioners also discussed ideas to advertise Preservation Month in May.

4. Commissioner Travel and Training Requests - 10 minutes

None.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Romano, seconded by Commissioner Vargas-Smith to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

The next regular scheduled meeting is on Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 6 p.m.

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

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