



COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

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HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION DRAFT MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2020

9:30 A.M.

REGULAR MEETING

LOCATION: REMOTE PUBLIC HEARING

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
Chair Phillips called the meeting to order at 9:43 a.m.
Commissioners Present: Merriam, Orlando, Phillips, Swift, and Pearlman
Staff present: Annie Murphy, Staff to the HRC. Stephanie Hansen, Principal Planner.
Members of the public participating remotely
2. AGENDA APPROVAL OR MODIFICATION
MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA AS SUBMITTED: Commissioner Pearlman
SECOND: Commissioner Orlando
AYES: Merriam, Orlando, Phillips, Pearlman, and Swift
ABSENT: None
NOES: None
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from the regular meeting of July 6, 2020
MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES AS SUBMITTED: Commissioner Merriam
SECOND: Commissioner Phillips
AYES: Merriam, Orlando, Phillips, and Pearlman
ABSTAIN: Commissioner Swift
NOES: None
4. DECLARATION OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS
(Commissioner disclosure of oral and written communications and site visits related to applications appearing on this agenda)
5. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS (Members of the public may speak on items **not** on this agenda)
6. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS
No Public Hearing Items

7. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Review and comment on the conceptual draft of the Interpretive Historical Installation for 1500 Capitola Road in Santa Cruz (site of Robert Merriman House)

MOTION by Commissioner Swift: Establish a subcommittee consisting of Commissioner Pearlman and Commissioner Merriam to work with the applicant on the installation design, considering detailed comments provided by the Commission to update the narrative and images and focus on Robert Merriman, prior to the applicant returning with the updated draft for the Commission to consider at the January meeting.

SECOND: Commissioner Orlando

AYES: Merriam, Orlando, Phillips, Pearlman, and Swift

ABSENT: None

NOES: None

- B. Status of historically designated structures damaged or destroyed in the CZU fires
Ms. Murphy provided a report to the Commission, noting that a total of four historically designated properties had sustained extensive fire damage. The Commission requested that an update be provided at the January meeting.

- C. Discussion regarding providing draft minutes to the Commission 10 days following the meeting date.

Ms. Murphy recommended not releasing draft minutes prior to the next meeting, noting possible conflicts with the Brown Act and State Law. Ms. Murphy will discuss with County Council and report back at the January meeting.

- D. Adopt Meeting schedule for 2021

Attachment: Draft Meeting Schedule

MOTION by Commissioner Pearlman: Approve the regular quarterly meeting schedule of the Commission for 2021, with meetings to occur on January 11, April 5, July 12, and October 4.

SECOND: Commissioner Swift

AYES: Merriam, Orlando, Phillips, Pearlman, and Swift

ABSENT: None

NOES: None

8. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Discuss training opportunities for the Commission for 2020.

The County will make 3 webinars available to the Commission to review as training opportunities for 2020.

- B. Update on the fire damage at the Seabreeze Tavern, a designated historic resource located at 101 Esplanade in Aptos (042-151-23)

Ms. Murphy provided an update to the Commission, noting that an engineer will evaluate the building to determine whether it poses an imminent threat to public health and safety. The Commission requested that Ms. Murphy report back at the January meeting, providing an update on the engineer's report, what the options may be for mitigating the condition of the building, whether partial demolition might be an option if the building poses an imminent threat, and what next steps would be for this building.

- C. Review Commission goals for 2020

Review of goals deferred to January meeting.

9. COMMISSIONER PRESENTATIONS/ INFORMATIONAL ITEMS
10. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS
11. ADJOURNMENT
Meeting adjourned at 12:29 pm

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APPEALS

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