



COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

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HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION MINUTES

Thursday, January 8, 2009

4:30 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

Planning Dept. Conference Room
County Building, 4th Floor
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chairperson Kennedy called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Fisher, Swift, Kennedy and Orlando

Commissioners Absent: Jenkins

Staff Present: Bussey

Members of the Public Present: Jane Borg, Tamara O' Kelly, Nita Hartel and Patricia Matejcek

2. AGENDA APPROVAL OR MODIFICATION

Item 8c (13025 Pine Street, Boulder Creek) was added to the agenda by Commissioner Kennedy.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

09/11/08: *On a motion by Commissioner Fisher, the minutes were approved as presented by staff by a vote of 3-0-1.*

4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS (Members of the public may speak on items not on this agenda)

Two members of public spoke.

Nita Hartel and Patricia Matejcek addressed the Commission on an issue associated with the Bert Scott properties in the Aptos Hills Planning area. While the site is not on the Historic Resource Inventory, it appears that it could be. They were concerned that the "invasion" of the Hyacinth in the lake will change the setting of this potential historic property. They urged the HRC to show their support in the eradication of the hyacinth and maintaining the setting of the area. The Commission decided to send a letter to the Parks Department stating such.

5. CONSENT ITEMS

There were no consent items.

6. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

There was no public hearing item.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Consider adopting the meeting schedule for 2009

The Commission held a brief discussion and accepted and filed the meeting schedule for 2009. The meetings for 2009 will be quarterly "unless needed".

b. AB 1234 required training

Staff reminded the Commission that they are required to complete ethics training by State Law. Staff also brought up that this must be undated every two years. A memo listing a web site where training could be obtained was distributed.

c. 13025 Pine Street Boulder Creek

Commissioner Kennedy added this item to the agenda. She distributed a letter from the owner to staff and the other Commissioners.

Tamara O'Kelly (property owner) gave a brief presentation regarding the property. The focus of her concern was the small retaining walls and sidewalk within the County ROW that is deteriorating, Staff noted that maintenance of these is the responsibility of the adjacent property owner.

Ms. O'Kelly noted that the drainage features in the street are failing, causing the small retaining wall along the paved street to be undercut. She requested the support of the HRC in urging the Public Works Department to maintain the drainage system on Pine Street and retain the historic setting of the historic resource.

The Commission decided to send a letter to DPW indicating their support of the landowner's efforts and urging DPW to do the necessary repairs to the drainage features to retain the historic setting.

8. OLD BUSINESS

a. Redman House

Staff presented an update on the Redman House. Staff noted that a building permit has been applied for and no information to address deficiencies in the building permit application has been submitted. The application remains "not approved" by several agencies and is not ready for issuance.

9. COMMISSIONER PRESENTATIONS/ INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

10. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

No written communication.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Kennedy adjourned the meeting at 5:59 p.m.

Minutes Approved

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain: