ACTION MINUTES



7:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 19, 2010 City Council Chambers 809 Center Street

Call to Order 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: H. Carter - Chair, I. Blackwood; A. Meyer; F. Miller; J. Steen;

Absent: K. Eriksen (W/O); D. Subocz (W/N)

Staff: E. Marlatt, Principal Planner; Janice Lum, Associate Planner;

S. Randolph, Recorder

Audience: 7

Presentations – None

Oral Communications – None

Announcements – Commissioner Steen noted that there will be a free historic walking tour of the Seabright Area at 10 a.m. on Sat, June 12.

Approval of Minutes – April 21, 2010

ACTION: Commissioner Miller moved, and Commissioner Steen seconded, that the Historic Preservation Commission approve the minutes of April 21, 2010 with the following amendment: Page 2, Item 2, Paragraph 2, correct third sentence to read "suggested by Staff the Commission at a previous meeting". The motion passed, 5-0-2, with Commissioners Carter, Blackwood, Meyer, Miller and Steen in favor and Commissioners Eriksen and Subocz absent.

Public Hearings -

Old Business – Continued from the Historic Preservation Commission meeting of April 21, 2010

1. 824 Pine Street CP10-0043 APN 010-071-58

Historic Alteration Permit to demolish a portion of the rear of a house, construct a two-story addition to a one-story, single-family dwelling and construct a 196 square foot shed on a property listed on the City Historic Building Survey and within an RL zone district. (Environmental Determination: Categorical Exemption) (C. Elliot, owner/filed: 3/16/2010)

Recommendation: That the Historic Preservation Commission acknowledge the environmental determination and approve the Historic Alteration Permit based on the Findings contained in the agenda report and Conditions of Approval in Exhibit "A".

Commissioner Meyer recused himself from action on this item due to proximity. Principal Planner Marlatt advised he would be the Zoning Administrator hearing this item at a later date, so would be refraining from any comments or recommendations. Associate Planner Janice Lum presented the staff report. Tracy Johnson, building designer and project coordinator, spoke regarding the project. The Public Hearing was opened.

Speaking from the floor:

Ross Gibson

The Public Hearing was closed.

Commissioners asked questions and made comments regarding:

- > Positive changes to the windows
- ➤ Height disparity in roofs from porch to kitchen; aesthetic considerations
- > Original cabinetry, natural lighting and difference in roof framing thickness determining roof height over kitchen
- ➤ Visibility of roofline from the street
- > Unresolved juncture of roof

ACTION: Commissioner Blackwood moved, and Commissioner Steen seconded, that the Historic Preservation Commission approve the Historic Alteration Permit based on the Findings and Conditions. The motion passed, 3-1-2, with Commissioners Blackwood, Miller and Steen in favor, Chair Carter against, Commissioners Eriksen and Subocz absent, and Commissioner Meyer disqualified.

General Business –

2. Blue Plaque Awards Event

Recommendation: Receive oral report from Commissioner Steen and Staff.

Commissioner Steen noted briefly that the Blue Plaque Awards Event was held on May 1st and was attended by herself, Chair Carter, Don Lauritson and Janice Lum. Special commendation awards were given to the Women's Club and Michael Bethke.

ACTION: The Commission RECEIVED the report.

Subcommittee/Advisory Body Oral Reports - None

Informational Items – Commissioner Meyer noted that the Coastal Commission is in town, but that the La Bahia is not on the Agenda.

Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas –

- Subcommittee/Advisory Body
- > Letter from Ross Gibson regarding the creation of a Historic Preservation Fund
- ➤ Letter from Ross Gibson regarding 824 Pine Street

Adjournment – 8:30 p.m.

The Historic Preservation Commission adjourned to the next regular meeting of June 16, 2010 in the Council Chambers.

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<u>APPEALS</u> - Any person who believes that a final action of this advisory body has been taken in error may appeal that decision to the City Council. Appeals must be in writing, setting forth the nature of the action and the basis upon which the action is considered to be in error, and addressed to the City Council in care of the <u>City Clerk</u>.

Appeals must be received by the City Clerk within ten (10) calendar days following the date of the action from which such appeal is being taken. An appeal must be accompanied by a five hundred dollar (\$500) filing fee, unless the item involves a Coastal Permit that is appealable to the Coastal Commission, in which case there is no fee.