



Action Minutes
Historic Preservation Commission
7:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 19, 2013
City Council Chambers
809 Center Street

Call to Order Chair F. Miller at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call Commissioners - F. Miller – Chair; I. Blackwood; D. Hooks;
A. Meyer; J. Steen; R. Barker, G. Schwartz

Absent: Commissioner Barker (With Notice)

Presentations – None.

Oral Communications – None.

Announcements – None.

Approval of Minutes - March 20, 2013

ACTION: The minutes of March 20, 2013 were APPROVED, as submitted, on a vote of 5-0-1-1; with R. Barker absent and A. Meyer abstained.

Public Hearings -

- 1. 400 Beach Street CP13-0058 APN 007-321-04**
Historic Alteration for a deck and stair extension (public viewing platform) at the rear of the historic Boardwalk Casino and Natatorium buildings. (Environmental Determination: Categorical Exemption) (Santa Cruz Seaside Co, owner/filed: 5/1/2013) JL
Recommendation: Approval with conditions.

ACTION: The Historic Preservation Commission approved the Historic Alteration Permit, with conditions, on a vote of 6-0-1; with Commissioner Barker absent.

Associate Planner J. Lum presented the staff report. She presented a very detailed presentation of the Natatorium and the public viewing platform.

The public hearing was opened.

Applicant – Carl Rice with the Seaside Company and briefly recognized Janice and stated it was a very detailed and nice presentation.

There are two existing platforms that are very successful and popular with the Boardwalk. They are proposing this new platform in front of the new promenade. He stated that the covered portion of the colonnade is the center of the thoroughfare of the boardwalk. He noted that the Coastal Commission has given additional support for this project but preferred that the City of Santa Cruz also evaluate the project. He noted that no direct money making venture can be used for this natatorium as commercial benefit. He noted that this is consistent with the Secretary of Interior Standards. He stated that the history of the boardwalk is the key to the boardwalk's success and also recognize that they need to preserve the history of the boardwalk in this venture.

F. Miller noted that they had an entertainment platform which is not shown on the plans. He noted that there is a bandstand and the area has been shifted to the left. He noted that certainly on Friday night the public has the benefit of the use of this bandstand platform.

G. Schwartz was curious how the extension of the platform walk would work and how they will be structurally placed.

The applicant noted they use pilings that go down and are framed out to the uses of the vertical colonnade and transition into the concrete slab. If they decide for some reason they no longer wanted the slab that they would rebuilt it with the technical separation.

J. Steen commented on the thoroughness of the report by Janice Lum and very specific to the Secretary of the Interior Standards and how those standards were met.

Blackwood asked about the existing palm trees. They will be pouring a concrete slab and will keep the palm trees

General Business –

1. Demolition of Building at 1211 Fair Avenue

ACTION: **Acknowledged report.**

Subcommittee/Advisory Body Oral Reports

Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas –

- ⇒ Mills Act Update by Planning Director
- ⇒ Request for presentation by Leslie Dill on appropriate additions
- ⇒ Request for presentation from Future Planning on “traditional cultural properties” (TCPs) as referred to in the General Plan 2030
- ⇒ Proclamation for Senior Planner Don Lauritson

Adjournment - 8:25 p.m.

The next Historic Preservation Commission meeting will take place on July 17, 2013 in the City Hall Council Chambers.