



MINUTES
Historic Preservation Commission
7:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 20, 2016
City Council Chambers
809 Center Street

Call to Order 7:00 p.m. by Chair McGettigan

Roll Call P. McGettigan - Chair; D. Hooks; R. Barker, G. Schwartz;
I. Blackwood; M. Novo; F. Steffen

Absent: R. Barker (Excused Absence)

Presentations - None.

Oral Communications - None.

Announcements - None.

Approval of Minutes - June 15, 2016

ACTION: M. Novo moved and G. Schwartz seconded to approve the minutes of June 15, 2016 as submitted. The motion was a unanimous 6/0/1 vote; with P. McGettigan, D. Hooks, G. Schwartz, I. Blackwood, M. Novo and F. Steffen voting YES with R. Barker absent.

Public Hearings -

- 1. Pacific Ave. and Front St. CP16-0111 Right-of-way/No APN**
Historic Alteration Permit to replace the handrail on an existing historic wall (Lanterncliff Wall) located at the junction of Pacific Avenue and Front Street. (Environmental Determination: Categorical Exemption) (City of Santa Cruz, owner/filed 6/6/16) **SH**
Recommendation: Approval, with conditions noted in Exhibit "A".

S. Haschert presented the staff report.

Curtis Busenhart, Associate Civil Engineer, stated that the concrete posts that are held together with the metal pole railing don't meet current Caltrans requirements as well as vehicle pedestrian requirements.

Samantha Haschert, Associate Planner, stated that the proposed project will comply with all requirements of the Secretary of Interior Standards for Rehabilitation and staff is recommending approval.

The public hearing was opened.

Ross Gibson, provided photographs of the wall and railing and indicated that because the railing is historic and should remain.

No one else wished to speak and the public hearing was closed.

The Historic Preservation Commission deliberated the removal of the railing and discussed potential options for preservation of the existing railing.

Busenhart, DPW, indicated that the railing is a standard CalTrans design and that the removal and relocation of a railing and the concrete mortar cap will support the long term stability of the rock wall and that the budget for the project would not support extensive rehabilitation efforts.

Action: D. Hooks moved and G. Schwartz seconded (with reservation) to approve the Historic Alteration Permit, subject to the conditions listed in Exhibit "A", with the added condition noted below. The motion passed on a 4/2/1 vote; with G. Schwartz, D. Hooks, I. Blackwood, M. Novo; voting YES, and F. Steffen and P. McGettigan voting NO; with R. Barker absent.

Added Condition:

9. During construction, all existing materials shall be preserved and reused to the greatest extent possible.

General Business -

1. Potential Wave Motor Historic Sign -

D. Hooks provided a draft narrative for the other commissioner's to review.

G. Schwartz asked for staff to provide information about the budget for the sign.

Action: Continued to the HPC meeting of August 17, 2016.

Subcommittee/Advisory Body Oral Reports - None.

Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas

P. McGettigan requested for an update from staff on the Del Mar Theater sign.

Adjournment

At 7:50 p.m. the Historic Preservation Commission adjourned to the next regular meeting of August 17, 2016 in the Council Chambers.