

CITY OF SANTA MARIA
LANDMARK COMMITTEE
MINUTES
January 13, 2015
Santa Maria Library, Study Room C
4:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Committee Chair Jim Zemaitis called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Edward "Jim" Zemaitis, Chair	Present
Jo Ann "Joey" Wilson	Present
Ryan Fisher, Secretary	Present
Sandra Valdez	Absent
Steve Mahr	Absent

3. MINUTES: Minutes of the December 9th meeting were not submitted for approval and there were not enough members present to approve said minutes.

4. COMMUNICATION: None.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Palm Court- Joey has completed the distribution of Place of Historical Merit certificates to owners and/or tenants of properties in the Palm Court neighborhood. Joey also submitted copies of the certificates for historical merit to the city for inclusion in the new City Website for the last six dedicated properties: Harper House, Palm Court, Bill's Take-Out, Camp Fire Cabin, Eagles Aerie, and the Knights Pythias Building.
- B. Karen White of the Oceano Community Services District is assisting Jim with the application for approval by the County to permit designation of the former Foster Road Drag-Strip and possibly the adjacent WWII Era Norden Bombsight Vault.
- C. Ryan will attempt to contact the custodian of historical records for the former Santa Maria Army Airfield, held by the U.S. Air Force Historical Research Center at Maxwell AFB, Alabama, to see if information can be gathered on the original construction of the Norden Bombsight Vaults or other important historical data that might be available for any future interpretive site or display.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Jim and Joey plan to make another attempt to meet with Dr. Richardson of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District regarding special designation of the Ethel Pope Auditorium. The intent is to arrange the ceremony in conjunction with the dedication of the school's new adjacent building.
- B. There has been no response from any representatives of the First United Methodist Church regarding any interest in special designation.

C. Jim has asked for recommendations for potential future ideas for special designations. Some of the recommended properties were the turreted Queen Anne Style, Victorian home located at 400 W. Church, and the traditional circa 1900 farm house located at 1015 W. Alvin Ave, as these properties are located in the landmark/OHM under-represented West-side of the city. Also, the Smith-Enos House and former site of the Beacon Outpost was also recommended and former committee Chair Dick Hall was asked by Jim to provide his recommendations.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Committee Secretary Ryan has stated that he will not be seeking the appointment for another term on the committee, as work obligations will be requiring more of his time. He will stay on as secretary in an interim capacity until a replacement is appointed.

8. ADJOURNMENT: 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:



Ryan Fisher
Secretary of the Landmark Committee