

**CITY OF SANTA MARIA  
LANDMARK COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
August 14, 2007  
City Council Chambers  
4:00 p.m.**

1. **Call to Order:**

Committee chair Joe Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call:**

Joe Johnson, Chair	Present
Jim O'Neill, Secretary	Present
Eleanor Brower	Present
Judi Kincaid	Present

3. **Minutes:**

By unanimous consent, the minutes of the July 10, 2007 meeting were approved as presented.

4. **Old Business:**

- a. **Letters to Property Owners:** Joe Johnson reported that he has still had no reply to the letters that had gone out June 25, 2007 to the owners of (1) the former Santa Maria Club, now known as "Landmark Square," and (2) the former Hancock Field hangar now occupied by Los Padres Glass, inquiring into their interest in seeing these properties designated as landmarks or places of historical merit.
- b. **Long House:** Joe Johnson reported that the plaque has arrived but no date has yet been set the ceremony.
- c. **Ethnic Communities:** Following up on her suggestion at last month's meeting that the Committee consider whether there are any ethnically-related properties that might be worthy of designation as landmarks or places of historical merit, Eleanor Brower reported that she had attended the Japanese community's Obon Festival, hoping to make some contacts within that community. She did not, however, have the opportunity to speak with anyone. Jim O'Neill, who also sits on the board of the Santa Maria Valley Historical Society, offered to get the contact information for the people who helped the Historical Society organize its recent exhibit featuring local Japanese families.

- d. **Mahoney Residence:** Judi Kincaid reported that Gerard and Alejandara Mahoney had been out of town for an extended period and that she had therefore not been able to speak with them further about their potential interest in pursuing the designation of their home as either a landmark or a place of historical merit. They have now returned and she will discuss this with them and report at a future meeting.

5. **New Business:**

- a. **Committee Vacancy:** Joe Johnson reported that City staff is advertising the opening on the Landmark Committee and inviting applications to be submitted by August 22, 2007, with the intention of having the appointment made at the City Council meeting to be held September 4, 2007. He also hopes that the Council will present Joan Walker with a resolution commending her for her service on the Committee at that time.

6. **Announcements:**

There were no announcements.

7. **Adjournment:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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JAMES O'NEILL  
Secretary