

CITY OF SANTA MARIA
LANDMARK COMMITTEE
MINUTES
June 10, 2014
Santa Maria Library, Study Room C
4:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Committee Secretary Ryan Fisher called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

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

3. MINUTES: Steve made a motion to approve the minutes of May 13, 2014, seconded by Joey Wilson.

4. COMMUNICATION: Jim sent an email to all members notifying the committee that he is unable to attend the meeting.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Buena Vista Park: Joey represented the Landmark Advisory Committee at the May 22nd community meeting. Joey told the committee that an architect was present to provide renderings of ideas developed for improving the park and that the possibility of any structure was deemed impractical due to the potential for vandalism. Joey did recommend that any signage for the park identify it as "Historic Buena Vista Park- 1906" to further recognize the park's landmark status. Additionally, she advised that any sandboxes or sand-pits be located away from the Camp Fire Cabin- an Object of Historical Merit, as sand being tracked into the structure is damaging the wood floors. Joey will continue to represent the committee at future community meetings for the Buena Vista Park project.
- B. Santa Maria Drag-Strip: tabled until next meeting.
- C. Type II Norden Bombsight Vaults: Ryan is still working on completion of documents and an elevation to provide to the county architect to move forward with approval for possible Landmark status and arrange a survey of all vaults located on airport property. It is expected that the documents will be provided to the county architect prior to the next meeting.
- D. Palm Court: Joey has worked with a Palm Court resident to come up with a design for signage indicating the historical significance of Palm Court. She is awaiting a response from Mark van de Kamp at the city to determine if such signage is consistent with the City's standards for street signs. The committee agreed that the sign/s should be simple and read "Palm Court Historic Site- 1921." A presentation

ceremony is tentatively scheduled after the July 8, 2014 meeting, with a reception to follow. Ryan will contact Jim to confirm that the certificate will be ready by that time and provide it to Steve for duplication of resident copies. Steve has also offered to provide a podium, table/s and an EZ-up for the ceremony. Sandra will provide a list of Palm Court addresses to Steve to mail out post-card invitations to residents. Joey will coordinate with residents to use one of the cul-de-sacs for the ceremony and reception.

- E. Former Harper Properties: The ceremony for special designation has been postponed to August pending notification of interested parties and arrangements for the presentation ceremony.
- F. Pleasant Valley School (former site of): Tour of the building in Buellton is scheduled for June 21, 2014, only Jim and Joey are expected to be available to attend.
- G. Digitization of records: Steve has asked how the committee expects to use the data and how it was envisioned that we categorize properties in the database. Ryan suggested that all structures or properties, already recognized, pending recognition or otherwise removed from consideration- be listed alphabetically by street name first, then numerically by street number. It was also discussed that as use of the cloud services becomes more prevalent, that the committee should consider its use for purposes of storage due to its flexibility, security and continuity.
- H. Smith-Enos House: Ryan has reported that the Smith-Enos House is continuing to deteriorate and that the committee should be proactive in recognizing the home before it becomes too damaged to retain its historic characteristics or save altogether. Joey said that she would discuss the issue with Alex Posada from the Parks and Recreation Department.

6. NEW BUSINESS: Ryan has suggested that the committee work with City Council to recognize the contributions of the late Dr. Ikola to the preservation of important historic local structures, namely, the Pleasant Valley School House and the former Newlove Home. Although neither structure remains within the city limits of Santa Maria, it is only through Dr. Ikola's efforts that they survive today and continue to serve the grater Northern Santa Barbara County Community.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next Buena Vista Park Community Meeting is scheduled for June 26, 2014.

8. ADJOURNMENT: 5:10 p.m.