

*Historic Preservation Commission
Meeting Minutes of July 1, 2008*

Minutes of the Huntington Park Historic Preservation Commission meeting held on July 1, 2008.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Milofsky. Present: Commissioners Michelle Sanchez, Wally G. Shidler, Vice Chair Carolina Luna and Chairman Barry Milofsky. Chairman Milofsky excused Commissioner Avygail Sanchez from the meeting due to her work schedule. Also present: Director of Community Development Henry L. Gray, Acting Planning Manager Eric Garcia, Assistant Planner Carlos Velasquez and Recording Secretary Corinna Luevano.

Minutes of the meeting held on June 17, 2008

A motion was made by Commissioner Shidler, seconded by Vice Chair Luna, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 17, 2008. The motion was unanimously approved.

Public Appearances

Steve Partida was present to inform the Commission on the vandalism that is taking place at the Post Office on Seville Avenue. Mr. Partida stated that the Post Office is no longer open on a 24 hour basis due to the graffiti vandalism on the ceiling. Mr. Partida would like something to be done to protect the murals on the walls in the Post Office. Finally, Mr. Partida suggested acquiring help from the Los Angeles Conservancy to help protect the murals.

Commissioner Shidler stated that because the building is owned by the Federal Government, we have no jurisdiction. Commissioner Shidler suggested we refer this item to the consultant, Sapphos Environmental Inc.

Continued Public Hearings

None.

Public Hearings

- B. HPC CASE NO. 08-06 HRD: A resolution recommending to the City Council the designation of 2743 E. 57th Street (APN:6309-027-009) as a Historic Resource for placement on the Huntington Park Historic Register.

Present to address the Commission were Salvador and Claudia Laguna. Mr. Laguna stated the he expects to maintain the integrity of the property.

Acting Planning Manager Eric Garcia briefly reviewed with the Commission the Executive Summary and State Department of Parks and Recreation Historic Resources Inventory Form provided by the City's historic preservation consultants, Sapphos Environmental Inc., which reveals significant detail of the structure.

Mr. Garcia stated that it is the recommendation of the Planning Division staff that the Commission conduct a Public Hearing, consider all public testimony, and adopt a resolution recommending to the City Council that the property located at 2743 E. 57th Street, Huntington Park, CA 90255, be designated a Historic Resource and placed on the Huntington Park Historic Register.

Commissioner Milofsky declared the public hearing open and called for anyone wishing to speak in favor of or against Case No. 08-06 HRD.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shidler, seconded by Commissioner M. Sanchez, to APPROVE AND ADOPT HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 08-06 HRD, recommending to the City Council the property located at 2743 E. 57th Street, Huntington Park, California 90255, be designated a Historic Resource and placed on the Huntington Park Historic Register. The motion carried as follows: Ayes: Commissioners M. Sanchez, Shidler, Luna and Chairman Milofsky; Noes: None; Absent: A Sanchez.

- A. HPC CASE NO. 08-04 HRD: A resolution recommending to the City Council the designation of 3095 E. Florence Avenue (APN:6323-019-009) as a Historic Resource for placement on the Huntington Park Historic Register.

Acting Planning Manager Eric Garcia briefly reviewed with the Commission the Executive Summary and State Department of Parks and Recreation Historic Resources Inventory Form provided by the City's historic preservation consultants, Sapphos Environmental Inc., which reveals significant detail of the structure. Mr. Garcia identified certain features, such as the church was built in 1951 and designed by architect Alexander Jackson Davis and landscape architect Andrew Jackson Downing, known for the Gothic Revival influence. A discussion ensued while Mr. Garcia presented a power point presentation with various pictures of the building.

Mr. Garcia stated that it is the recommendation of the Planning Division staff that the Commission conduct a Public Hearing, consider all public testimony, and adopt a resolution recommending to the City Council that the property located at 3095 E. Florence Avenue, Huntington Park, CA 90255, be designated a Historic Resource and placed on the Huntington Park Historic Register.

Commissioner Milofsky declared the public hearing open and called for anyone wishing to speak in favor of or against Case No. 08-04 HRD.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Shidler, to APPROVE AND ADOPT HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 08-04 HRD, recommending to the City Council the property located at 3095 E. Florence Avenue, Huntington Park, California 90255, be designated a Historic Resource and placed on the Huntington Park Historic Register. The motion carried as follows: Ayes: Commissioners M. Sanchez, Shidler, Luna and Chairman Milofsky; Noes: None; Absent: A Sanchez.

New Business

A. Discussion and/or action on the proposed Robert Keller Park monument.

Mr. Garcia presented color photos of various monuments throughout the City of Huntington Park. Mr. Garcia added that the Commission requested at the last meeting, samples of granite rock for the Commission to consider.

Director of Community Development Henry Gray stated that the Director of Parks and Recreation, Josette Espinoza, is seeking direction from the Commission as to what kind of monument would be best suited for the plaque. Mr. Gray recommended a similar size to the granite in picture "4." A discussion ensued.

The Commission directed that Mr. Gray work with Ms. Espinoza on selecting a monument.

Subjects Presented by Historic Preservation Commissioners

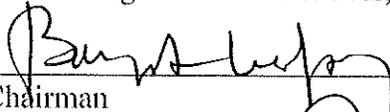
Commissioner Luna noticed that many property owners are changing their windows. Mr. Gray responded that six months ago, there were administrative changes to codify adopting an ordinance that gives the City the authority to require approval by the Planning Division for any exterior changes such as roof changes, window replacements, and removal of wood siding.

Commissioner M. Sanchez suggested development of a Historic District. Mr. Gray responded that staff has been exploring this subject. Mr. Gray added that staff is waiting for a proposal from the consultant, Sapphos, to undertake the first step in evaluating a district.

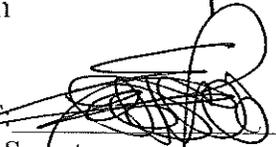
Information Items

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Milofsky adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.



Chairman

ATTEST: 

Secretary