

**CITY OF COSTA MESA
HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

Minutes for Thursday, March 10, 2016

PRESENT: Christopher Ganiere, Mary Ellen Goddard, Margaret Johnston, Karen McKenna-Juergens, Gary Parkin, Terry Shaw, and alternates George Nakai and Matthew Fletcher

ABSENT: Dave Gardner, John McQueen, and Melinda Lowery

STAFF PRESENT: Justin Martin and Cecily Renteria

COUNCIL MEMBER: Sandra Genis (absent)

CALL TO ORDER

Chris Ganiere called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

APPROVAL OF February 11, 2016 meeting minutes

Terry Shaw made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Gary Parkin seconded the motion; the motion was passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

OLD BUSINESS

Subcommittee Reports

1. Identify Costa Mesa Notable Residents

- Gary spoke about doing research on Herb Jenks and Walter Ozmet. He spoke generally about their impact locally and will continue research further.
- Karen handed out a document outlining her research findings about Edrick Miller and Hank Panion. She spoke about hitting dead ends in regards to Hank Panion. She will visit the Costa Mesa Historical Society to see if she can find more information.

- The subcommittee will continue their research.

2. Then & Now Historical Buildings

- Margaret mentioned working on the Fairview/Paularino phase of this project and that it will be smaller than earlier phases.
- Staff spoke about the historical markers, mentioning that they should arrive by the next meeting.

3. Mills Act

- Matthew spoke about visiting homes on the *Historical Homes* list and taking photos. Matthew and Mary Ellen spoke about needing to differentiate between the Historic Registry and the Mills Act. Matthew will aim for having five homes to present at the next meeting so the group can decide which homes they want to send letters to on behalf of the City.
- Gary briefly mentioned an OC Register article about the Mills Act and provided copies to each committee member.

4. Costa Mesa Artifact Research

- Staff spoke about responses from the City's contract archeologist and read them aloud to the group. Several questions were asked in regard to the hourly rate for the proposed work. Staff will communicate with the vendor and provide answers at the next meeting.

5. The Story of Costa Mesa

- Chris asked the Committee how they want to proceed with this project.
- Research will be ongoing.

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

- Mary Ellen spoke about an OC History Exposition called Future Forward. The event explores ways to collect historical information in the future. She requested that the group consider attending the event and have a table. The item will be added to the next meeting's agenda for discussion.

- Margaret mentioned that she has not reapplied for the Committee and that she has enjoyed the many years she has participated and that she will miss working with the members.
- Terry mentioned that the next Historical Society event will be held on March 20 and will be about Route 66. He also mentioned that he did not reapply for the Committee and that he has enjoyed his five years serving as a contributing member.
- Chris thanked the departing members for their service.

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS

- Staff thanked Margaret and Terry for their years of service on the Committee. Staff also discussed Committee appointments and that the new members should likely be announced at the next City Council meeting. Lastly, there was mention made regarding the City's General Plan. It is now online and that it has a historical element, which was recommended for the Committee to read, review and provide feedback.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Next Meeting: April 14, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. located in City Hall Conference Room 1A.