

**CITY OF COSTA MESA**  
**HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes for Thursday, August 10, 2017**

PRESENT: John McQueen, Dave Gardner, Mary Ellen Goddard, Kristyn Kohut, Dave Goodman, and Joshua Hutchinson  
ABSENT: Christopher Ganiere, Gary Parkin, and Karen McKenna-Juergens  
STAFF PRESENT: Ashley Ocasio  
COUNCIL MEMBER: Allan Mansoor (absent)

**CALL TO ORDER**

Kristyn Kohut called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF** July 13, 2017 meeting minutes.

Mary Ellen made a motion to approve the minutes. Dave Gardner seconded the motion; the motion was passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Lee Ramos, the newest appointed commissioner in the Second District, joined the meeting. He shared that he was looking forward to getting involved. He was previously the historical preservation commissioner for the OC Parks. He will return to a later committee meeting and get on the agenda.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Subcommittee Reports

1. Costa Mesa Artifact Research

- Michelle Garcia, the Officer Manager / Archaeologist from SRS, joined the meeting. SRS had responded by letter to HPC's letter regarding the status of project. Michelle wanted to make herself available to answer any additional questions. The committee had many questions, and Michelle provided valuable information, particularly regarding how museums and other institutions collect and catalogue artifacts.
- Michelle will update the "Institution Contact List for Costa Mesa Artifacts" that SRS previously provided to HPC with additional information. The committee will then revisit this project at the next meeting and determine how/whether to move forward.

## 2. Utility Box Art Project

- Key subcommittee members were absent, so this project was tabled until the next meeting.

## 3. Identify Costa Mesa Notable Residents

- Key subcommittee members were absent, so this project was tabled until the next meeting.

## 4. Then & Now Historical Buildings

- Kristyn reported that the subcommittee had completed letters to specific businesses for full committee review. John had additional revisions to the letters, specifically to avoid concerning businesses that they would be considered a historical landmark.
- Staff is going to review the letters and provide feedback.

## 5. Mills Act

- Mary Ellen reported that the Mills Act advertisement is in the recreational guide. She is continuing to talk with a local realtor about promoting awareness.

## 6. The Story of Costa Mesa

- Mary Ellen has not been able to get in touch with her connection in the schools who may be using the Story to teach students. She will continue investigating and report back at the next meeting.

## 7. Recognize CM Businesses (50+ years old)

- Dave Gardner circulated a list of qualifying businesses. Members discussed whether Daily Pilot newspaper should be removed. Kristyn noted that Duffy Electric Boat Company should be added to the list, per the discussion at the last meeting.
- The subcommittee will consider what recognition will be afforded qualifying businesses – *i.e.* council recognition, certificate, medallion, plaque, etc.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. A social media project was discussed and will be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

## **COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

- None

## **COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS**

- None

**ADJOURNMENT** Meeting was adjourned by Kristyn at 6:39 p.m.

Next Meeting: September 14, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. located in City Hall Conference Room 1A.