

**CITY OF COSTA MESA
HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, December 8, 2005

PRESENT:

Dave Gardner, Chairperson
John McQueen, Vice-chairperson
Mary Ellen Goddard, committee member
Kathleen Eric, committee member
Bob Wakeham, committee member

COUNCIL:

Eric Bever, Council

STAFF:

Jana Ransom, Recreation Manager, City of Costa Mesa
Lisa McPherson, Recreation Coordinator, City of Costa Mesa

ABSENT:

Patti Bass, committee member
Margaret Johnston, committee member
Darin Tietgen, committee member
John Anderson, committee member
Gennaro Calabrese, committee member (alternate)

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Dave Gardner called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve minutes of meeting of November 3, 2005 was made by John McQueen, seconded by Bob Wakeham. Motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Subcommittee Reports:

1. Costa Mesa History Speakers Bureau

Nothing new to report.

2. Story of Costa Mesa

John McQueen and Jana met with City staff to discuss printing options. Mary Ellen is locating originals of photographs. John discussed possibility of doing some age specific graphics and activity pages.

3. Historic Murals Project

Kathleen Eric is scouting the City for possible locations.

4. Historic Preservation Incentives

On hold until January, 2006.

5. Estancia Adobe restoration project

Jana reported that the Adobe is not on the historic Buildings register – although the location is an historic site. Jana walked the site with a city inspector who is going to have restoration specialist take a look at it. Mary Ellen is going to try to find photos of building prior to last major renovation.

6. Historic Recognitions

a. "First People"

Jana checking on Fairview Masterplan consistency

b. Historic Sites – sidewalk markers

Councilman Eric Bever reported a conversation with Public Services Director Bill Morris on types of markers that would be acceptable.

NEW BUSINESS:

No items.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS:

Mary Ellen reported on the new signage at the Adobe (joint City Historical Society effort).

John McQueen shared his research on Howard Hughes aircraft incident (Santa Ana crash site - Costa mesa take-off).

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Dave Gardner adjourned the meeting at 6:28 pm.

NEXT MEETING:

Costa Mesa City Hall Conference Room 3A, Thursday, January 12, 2006 at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Bob Wakeham