



HISTORIC LANDMARKS BOARD MINUTES

CITY OF SAUSALITO

FINAL

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT / 420 LITHO STREET / SAUSALITO, CA 94965 / (415) 289-4128

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, May 11, 2011
MEETING TIME: 5:30 P.M.
LOCATION: Conference Room, 420 Litho Street

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The HLB meeting convened at 5:35 PM. Board Members Nichols, Pierce, and Flavin were present. Board member Kiernat was absent. Associate Planner Burns was also present. Members of the public included Scott and Ginger Foote, Peter Greenwood, Linda Lyons, Gilbert Purcell, Thelma Hiatt, John Sweeny, Ray Withy, Larry Clinton, Daniel and Yulian Merriam, Roberta Maloy, and Alice Merrill.

1. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA-** No changes to agenda.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA-** None
3. **NEW BUSINESS-**

A. PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PUBLIC REVIEW DRAFT OF THE HISTORIC DESIGN GUIDELINES

Staff Planner Burns presented an introduction, history, and purpose of the public hearing regarding the Public Draft of the Historic Design Guidelines. The majority of the questions raised by the public during the public hearing related to a lack of understanding of the City's current regulatory process for the treatment of historic properties. Specifically, the public was interested in understanding the regulatory process regarding the historic preservation of historic properties and how the guidelines are going to relate to the process. The public also requested consideration of simplifying the current process and wanted to know how the Guidelines were going to impact structures listed on the existing Noteworthy Structures List. Other comments from the community included the following:

1. The Guidelines should consider the built-environmental conditions of an area and apply flexibility (i.e., consider allowing vinyl windows for properties inundated by salt and diesel smoke).
2. Guidelines were very well done with detailed diagrams, charts, and pictures.
3. Guidelines should include pictures of mid-century examples of architecture.
4. Guidelines should connect-the-dots in addressing future sustainability initiatives and/or a sustainability ordinance which may require modifications to some of the policies or consideration of new policies.
5. The Guidelines should be reviewed to consider possible conflicts with Title 24.
6. The current Sign Regulations should be reviewed and reconsidered.

The following statements occurred during the HLB's deliberation of the public hearing:

Board member Nichols supports the Guidelines as proposed and requested more mid-century architecture examples are included in photographs within the document.

Board Member Flavin supports the Guidelines and requested that a qualifying statement be included in Chapter 1, on page 6, to help people understand the process of gathering information to determine a building's significance, integrity, treatment strategy, and permit process.

Board member Pierce concurred with Board member Nichol's and Flavin's statements.

The HLB moved to recommend approval of the Guideline's with consideration of the comments presented at the meeting.

4. OLD BUSINESS- *None*

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- *Approved as amended*

6. COMMUNICATIONS-

Board member Pierce raised a question about the possibility of conducting a survey of the City to identify neighborhood precincts which contain clusters of historic architecture from specific periods of significance. An example would be the Glen Drive neighborhood between Johnson Street and San Carlos Avenue. Staff Planner Burns indicated that a similar task was identified in the CLG application and the City is hoping to apply for a grant to fund a future survey.

ADJOURNMENT – *The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM*

Meeting Minutes Approved

Secretary

[Signature] *6-8-11*

Date