

*Historic Preservation Commission
Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2008*

Minutes of the Huntington Park Historic Preservation Commission meeting held on June 17, 2008.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Milofsky. Present: Commissioners Avygail Sanchez, Michelle Sanchez, Wally G. Shidler, Vice Chair Carolina Luna and Chairman Barry Milofsky. Also present: Director of Community Development Henry L. Gray, Acting Planning Manager Eric Garcia and Recording Secretary Genny Ochoa.

Minutes of the meeting held on May 6, 2008

A motion was made by Commissioner Shidler, seconded by Vice Chair Luna, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on May 6, 2008, as amended. The motion was unanimously approved.

Public Appearances

None.

Continued Public Hearings

None.

New Business

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

Acting Planning Manager Eric Garcia stated that the Robert Keller Park (formerly known as the Civic Center Park) was renamed by the City Council on April 21, 2008. Mr. Garcia added that the designation of the Civic Center as a Historic Resource necessitates the Commission's consideration of modifications and/or additions to the site. Therefore, the Parks and Recreation Department requests the Commission's consideration of installing a sign of the park's name. Mr. Garcia distributed photographs depicting signage options for the Commissioners' review.

Following a discussion, the Commissioners concurred that if only letter signage for the name of the park is approved, the lettering should be consistent with the current signage of the City Hall complex. In addition, the Commissioners requested that staff bring back for the Commission's review, signage options to include samples of a monument sign, and a wall sign, as well as location options for placement of the sign.

Commissioner Shidler stated that he would like to see the trash cans located throughout the Civic Center/park be replaced with trash cans with a design consistent with that of the Civic Center's theme.

B. Police Department Elevator Update.

Acting Planning Manager Garcia referred to the status update report submitted by Assistant City Engineer/Building Official Wes Lind. The report addresses the issues presented by the Historic Preservation Commission, i.e., a) placement of the elevator inside the building; b) use of a LULA (Limited Use/Limited Application) lift in lieu of an elevator; and c) investigate estimated costs of interior and exterior placement of the elevator and LULA.

Mr. Lind stated in his report that upon completion of continued evaluations by the Architect, Structural Engineer, and Mechanical Engineer, in addition to the Police Department's review of LULA installations in the Los Angeles area, staff would be able to assess the impact of elevator versus LULA as well as their respective installation in the interior versus exterior of the building. Mr. Garcia stated that a full cost analysis of the Police Department's elevator project would be presented to the Commission at a future meeting.

At staff's recommendation, Chairman Milofsky so ordered that the status update report be received and filed.

Subjects Presented by Historic Preservation Commissioners

Commissioner Michelle Sanchez demonstrated a sample plaque for placement at historic properties/structures and distributed literature of a plaque manufacturer with additional sample plaques for the Commission's review.

Chairman Milofsky stated that the City seal should be included in the plaques. Chairman Milofsky further recommended that photographs of the City's historic landmarks be framed and placed on the City Hall corridor walls.

Information Items

A. City Resolution No. 2008-32 establishing a policy regarding expense reimbursement and use of public resources.

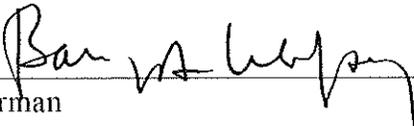
Director Henry Gray stated that the adopted expense reimbursement policy applies to all City Council members and appointed commissioners. Mr. Gray added that the resolution is the "local expression" of state law regarding the use of public funds.

Chairman Milofsky so ordered that staff's report on Resolution No. 2008-32 be received and filed.

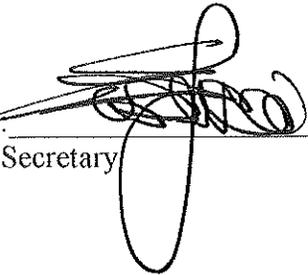
Director Gray informed the Commissioners that the City would provide a state-required ethics training in October 2008. Mr. Gray stated that the Community Development Commission (CDC) attorney's office would also conduct an on-line class (AB 1234 Ethics Training Webinar) on June 26, 2008, which would fulfill the state requirements, and asked the Commissioners to contact him if they wish to participate in the Webinar.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Milofsky adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.



Chairman

ATTEST: 

Secretary