

*Historic Preservation Commission
Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2008*

Minutes of the Huntington Park Historic Preservation Commission meeting held on August 5, 2008.

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

Public Appearances

None.

Minutes of the meeting held on July 1, 2008

A motion was made by Commissioner Shidler, seconded by Commissioner Michelle Sanchez, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on July 1, 2008. The motion was unanimously approved.

Continued Public Hearings

None.

New Business

A. Discussion and/or action on the status of the search for a Preservation Intern.

Planning Manager Eric Garcia stated that the notice has been posted on the City's website and that he has received applications, therefore, he will be scheduling interviews very soon.

Commissioner M. Sanchez requested staff to also inquire with the Consultant, Sapphos, for assistance in acquiring an Intern.

B. Discussion and/or action on the status of the HPC Newsletter.

Planning Manager Garcia informed the Commission that the newsletter has been translated to Spanish. The Commission requested to have the newsletter completed as soon as possible for distribution at upcoming City events.

- C. Discussion and/or action on the status of Work Authorizations from Sapphos Environmental, Inc. (Historic Preservation Consultants).

Mr. Garcia listed the following work Authorizations that are currently in process:

- 1) First Historic District
- 2) Public Awareness campaign
- 3) Assist the City with a formal Mills Act program
- 4) Provide training with technical reports, guidelines and analyzing sites
- 5) Designation of the Post Office on Seville Avenue
- 6) Process nominations

Mr. Gray indicated that they have informed the consultant to prioritize the Mills Act, Marketing and Education, Outreach Program, the Post Office and creating the Historic District. Mr. Gray added that the end result of the training from the consultant would be to have staff at some point, not rely on the consultant and have greater availability in house.

Subjects Presented by Historic Preservation Commissioners

Commissioner Shidler stated that the building on Regent Street will not be removed due to the school project. Mr. Shidler requested from staff, a map that reveals the City boundaries before the area in Walnut Park was annexed to Los Angeles County.

Chairman Milofsky commented on the new and improved City Council Chambers and was delighted that the HPC was involved in the remodeling to help preserve the Chamber.

Chairman Milofsky requested that we have pictures displayed inside City Hall of the landmarks that have been designated as a Historic Resource. In addition, Chairman Milofsky requested that staff prepare a special section on the City Web site for the landmarks to be displayed.

Chairman Milofsky requested that, since there is an impending sunset clause for the Historic Preservation Commission, that staff prepares a report to the City Council to extend the life of the Commission indefinitely.

Information Items

None.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Milofsky adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Secretary