



HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES

7:00 p.m. Monday, May 23, 2011
Los Altos Community Meeting Chambers
1 North San Antonio Road, Los Altos, California 94022

CALL TO ORDER

Chair WELSH called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair WELSH, Commissioners AHMADJIAN-BAER, BAKER, CHAPMAN, LONEY and MARFATIA.
Absent: Commissioners BISHOP
Staff: Staff Liaison DAHL

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Minutes from the April 25, 2011 Historical Commission meeting.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AHMADJIAN-BAER SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BAKER, to approve Meeting Minutes.
THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0-2 (LONEY and MARFATIA abstained)

2. 11-H-03 – 1398 Chelsea Drive

Staff Liaison DAHL presented the project, noting that the applicant had revised the porch design per direction from the Commission.

The applicant and project architect presented the revised porch design, noting that the scale of the columns had been reduced, the railings were more consistent with the style of the house and the roof was designed to tie into the garage.

The Commission expressed general support for the revised porch design, but noted that it was important for the new porch and garage additions to differentiate from the house so that it was clear what part of the structure was original.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CHAPMAN SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER KREISMAN, to recommend approval of the project with the following condition:

- Alter the design of the railings and shingles to differentiate from the original structure.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. 11-H-04 – 647 N. San Antonio Road (The San Antonio Club)

Staff Liaison DAHL presented the proposed landscape plan, provided an update on the project and answered questions from the Commission.

The Commission expressed support for the proposed landscape plan but noted that they were concerned about drainage around the ADA ramp and foundation.

MOTION BY CHAIR WELSH SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MARFATIA, to approve the landscape plan with a condition that it includes positive drainage away from the foundation in order to avoid moisture collection.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Historic Resources Inventory Update

Staff Liaison DAHL provided the Commission with a status update, noting that it was anticipated that the 19 pending properties for addition to the Historic Resources Inventory would be considered at the June meeting.

The Commission discussed the process for considering each property.

NO MOTION

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner BAKER requested that the Historic Preservation Award be added to the July agenda and Chair WELSH noted that the Commission should schedule a joint meeting with the Museum Executive Board in the near future to discuss projects/areas where the two entities could work together.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chair WELSH adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM

Zachary Dahl, AICP
Staff Liaison to the Historical Commission