



HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES

7:00 p.m. Monday, February 28, 2011
Los Altos Community Meeting Chambers
1 North San Antonio Road, Los Altos, California 94022

CALL TO ORDER

Chair LONEY called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair LONEY, Commissioners BAKER, BISHOP, DREWES, KREISMAN, MARFATIA and WELSH.
Absent: None
Staff: Staff Liaison DAHL.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Minutes from the January 24, 2010 Historical Commission meeting.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER KREISMAN SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DREWES, to approve Meeting Minutes as amended.
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Commissioner MARFATIA arrived.

2. 11-H-02 – 170 Formway Court

Staff Liaison DAHL presented the staff report and answered questions from the commissioners.

The Commission voiced support for the overall concept of the project, but raised concerns about losing the French doors, which appeared to be original, and noted that the addition should be pushed back in order to provide a better connection with the historic structure. A Commissioner also raised concerns about the joint between the existing roof and proposed addition and potential drainage issues. By setting the addition back from the existing front wall, the addition would better differentiate from the original structure and minimize the loss of the original wood rafter tails.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MARFATIA SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER KREISMAN, to approve the addition with the following condition:

- Set the addition back by more than two feet in order to remove the conflict with corner and differentiate new wall from existing wall.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Historic Preservation Award

Staff provided an update on the status of the item.

Commissioner BAKER volunteered to take the lead on updating the award criteria and said she would report back at the March meeting.

NO MOTION

4. City of Los Altos 60th Anniversary Celebration

Commissioner MARFATIA reported that the City Council was planning for the City of Los Altos 60th Anniversary celebration and that the Commission may be involved.

NO MOTION

5. Margaret Thompson Essay Contest

Commissioner KREISMAN provided an update on the Essay contest, noting that the student essays would be due by March 10, 2011. Volunteer judges were needed for the weekend of March 25-26 to review essays.

NO MOTION

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chair LONEY adjourned the meeting at 8:00 PM.

Zachary Dahl, AICP
Staff Liaison to the Historical Commission