HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES

7:00 p.m. Monday, April 29, 2013 – 7:00 P.M.
Los Altos Community Meeting Chambers
1 North San Antonio Road, Los Altos, California 94022

CALL TO ORDER

Chair BISHOP called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

ESTABLISH QUORUM

Present: Chair BISHOP, Vice-Chair AHMADJIAN-BAER, Commissioners BAKER, CHAPMAN, MABE, MARFATIA and WELSH
Absent: None
Staff: Staff Liaison DAHL

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

1. Commission Minutes

MOTION by Commissioner MARFATIA, seconded by Commissioner WELSH, to approve the March 25, 2013 regular meeting minutes.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. 12-H-03 – D and M. Beumer – 452 University Avenue

The applicant's historical consultant presented the application, noting that the structure was also eligible for listing on the State and National Register of Historic Places.

The Commission expressed support for the landmark designation request.

MOTION by Commissioner MARFATIA, seconded by Commissioner AHMADJIAN-BAER, to recommend that the City Council designate the property at 452 University Avenue as a Historic Landmark.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. 13-H-01 – J. Geleynse – 1448 Fowler Lane

The property owner presented the application. Staff Liaison DAHL noted that the property appeared eligible for designation as a Historic Resource or as a Historic Landmark

The Commission expressed support for designating the property as a historic landmark as a rare example of a Dutch Colonial Farmhouse and as a contributor to the City's early agricultural development context.

MOTION by Commissioner WELSH, seconded by Commissioner MARFATIA, to designate the property at 1448 Fowler Lane as a Historic Resource.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION by Commissioner CHAPMAN, seconded by Commissioner MABE, to recommend that the City Council designate the property at 1448 Fowler Lane as a Historic Landmark.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Historic Preservation Award

The Commission considered the nominees for the 2013 Historic Preservation Award:

- Irene Grenier
- King Lear
- Marion and Robert Grimm

MOTION by Commissioner WELSH, seconded by Commissioner MABE, to nominate Marion Grimm as the recipient of the 2013 Historic Preservation Award.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

5. Historic Plaque Program

The Commission discussed implementation of the recently adopted Historic Plaque Program. Chair BISHOP appointed a subcommittee (AHMADJIAN-BAER, CHAPMAN and MABE) to draft an implementation process for the Plaque Program and bring it back to the Commission for consideration.

6. Margaret Thompson Essay Contest

Commissioner WELSH provided an update on the status of the annual essay contest.

7. Monthly staff report

None

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Commissioner CHAPMAN reported on the actions taken at the April 23, 2013 City Council meeting.

POTENTIAL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Historical Commission yearly calendar of reoccurring items/actions
- Historic Plaque Program implementation

ADJOURNMENT

Chair BISHOP adjourned the meeting at 8:40 PM

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Zachary Dahl, AICP
Staff Liaison to the Historical Commission