

CITY OF ELK GROVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Committee Members:

Dennis Buscher | Gurjatinder Randhawa | Daniel Ming | Nadia Melgoza Peggy Forseth-Andrews | Daljit Singh Sandhu | Brian Van Lente

Special Meeting of the Historic Preservation Committee Monday, February 8, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. Virtual Meeting

DRAFT MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Daniel Ming called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Attending members also included Peggy Forseth-Andrews, Dennis Buscher, Gurjatinder Randhawa, and Brian Van Lente. Additional attending City staff included Kyra Killingsworth, Antonio Ablog, and Chris Wendt.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Committee members asked about an update regarding the topic of changing the name of the Committee to "Commission." City staff did not have an update on that topic at this time.

Motion: Approval of the February 8, 2020 HPC meeting agenda.

Action: Approved 5/0.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Meeting minutes were approved with the following amendments:

- 5.2 Adding clarification to the following sentence, "City staff informed committee members that if they attend public workshops and discuss and give opinions on items that the Committee will act upon, then they would be in violation of the Brown Act (if they did not recuse themselves from the project hearing.) And deleting the sentence, "It was also discussed that if committee members attend the public workshops and recuse themselves from voting on matters pertaining to the workshop then they would not be in violation of the Brown Act," for clarification.
- 6.1 Changing the sentence, "Committee members raised concern over the city's efforts to repurpose railroad rails as park benches in Old Town," to "Committee members raised concern over the city's efforts to repurpose railroad rails and incorporate them into park benches in old town."

Motion: Approval of the February 8, 2021 meeting minutes with amendments to Item 5.2 and 6.1.

Action: Approved 5/0.

5. PROJECT UPDATES AND STAFF REPORTS

5.1 Historic Preservation Handout/Brochure

City staff requested feedback from the Committee regarding the example brochures and handouts that the city provided staff for review. The Committee requested further time to review but did acknowledge that the examples from the cities of Pasadena and Pleasanton were well-developed and concise. The Committee also noted that the maps provided in the examples added clarity to the overall handouts/brochures. Additionally, the Committee raised questions as to the level of detail the

handout/brochure should have and whether the handout/brochure should direct community members to the city's planning department for further details. The Committee also suggested using more general language in order to promote interest and understanding among residents. The Committee agreed to table discussion on the topic to further allow all committee members time to review the memo provided by City Staff and forward their comments to City Staff.

5.2 CLG Annual Report Preparation

City Staff provided an update on the annual CLG report to the California Office of Historic Preparation and informed the Committee that the report is due in April but they will begin working on it and will provide a draft to the Committee next meeting. The report will cover the Committee's accomplishments over the year which will include studies completed and projects the Committee has made recommendations on. The report will also cover the Committee's upcoming goals in the next year. City Staff will provide a draft for the Committee to review and provide feedback at the next meeting.

5.3 Election of Committee Chair and Co-Chair

Chair Daniel Ming nominated Peggy Forseth-Andrews for another term as Co-Chair. Co-Chair Peggy Forseth-Andrews nominated Chairman Daniel Ming for another term as Chair.

Motion: Election of Daniel Ming for another term as Chair

Action: Approved 5/0.

Motion: Election of Peggy Forseth-Andrews for another term as Co-Chair

Action: Approved 5/0.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

6.1 CLG Annual report Draft Review

City Staff will provide the Committee with a draft of the CLG Annual report for the Committee to review.

6.2 Historic Preservation Handout/Brochure

The Committee will review the handout/brochure examples and submit their comments to City Staff. City Staff will then provide a draft/template of preservation handout for the Committee to review at the next meeting.

6.2 Update on renaming the Committee

The Committee would like to discuss updates on the possibility of renaming the committee.

6.3 Update on attending community meetings

The Committee would like an update on ways the committee members could attend community meetings when appropriate.

6.4 Discussion on potentially touring the Railroad Project

The Committee would like to discuss the potential of touring the ongoing Railroad Project in Old Town. City Staff informed the Committee that the project developer is willing to give the Committee a tour but would need to know what time/date works best for committee members.

6.5 Follow-up on public updates regarding the Railroad Project

The Committee would like an update on the public outreach efforts for the Railroad Project. The Committee was under the impression that there would be monthly or quarterly updates on the project but have not seen any recently. The Committee would also like to know if a representative of the Project could discuss the project's updates with the Committee.

6.6 Updates on finding a new committee member

The Committee asked for updates from City Staff regarding the efforts for finding a new committee member for the vacant seat left by Daniel Tarnasky. Committee member Daljit Singh Sandhu requested to become a voting member, rather than an alternate. The Committee requested City Staff to seek further clarification on how an alternate committee member can become a voting member.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

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