

#### 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

# Regular Meeting of the Historic Preservation Committee Monday, May 10, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. **Virtual Meeting**

# **DRAFT MINUTES**

### 1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

City Staff called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM. Attending members included Daniel Ming, Peggy Forseth-Andrews, Dennis Buscher, Daljit Singh Sandhu (arrived at 6:30 PM), Gurjatinder Randhawa and Nadia Melgoza. Additional attending City staff included Antonio Ablog, Kyra Killingsworth, and Chris Wendt.

# 2. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

### 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Approval of the May 10, 2021, HPC meeting agenda.

Action: Approved 5/0.

# 4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion: Approval of the March 8, 2021 and April 12, 2021 meeting minutes.

Action: Approved 5/0

# 5. PROJECT UPDATES AND STAFF REPORTS

# 5.1 Update on Committee members attending public workshops

City staff conferred with the city attorney's office and it was recommended that committee members not attend public workshops. If members choose to attend the public workshops it is advised of them to refrain from sitting and talking with other HPC members during the event, especially on matters pertaining to the work of HPC, in an attempt to avoid any violations of the Brown Act. It was also noted that three or more members at an event would constitute a quorum, as there are five voting members, and thus be in violation of the Brown Act. If an HPC member attends the public workshops as a property owner, they are strongly advised to recuse themselves as voting members; a recused member does not count against the total quorum.

### 5.2 Update on Renaming the Historic Preservation Committee

City staff followed up on this matter with the city clerk and the development service director and it was recommended the HPC develop an ad hoc committee to meet with the mayor and representatives from the city council to discuss renaming the HPC. Once approved, the city council will direct staff to make the change in municipal code to rename the HPC.

Motion: To form an ad hoc committee of Chair Ming and Vice-Chair Forseth-Andrew to meet with the city council and mayor regarding changing the name of the HPC.

Action: Approved 5/0

### 5.3 Historic Preservation Brochure Draft Update and Review

City staff presented a final draft of the historic preservation brochure for the committee's review. Committee members recommended placing the photograph of the School of Rock building on the front page and relocating the photograph of the Railroad Street project to the inside foldout of the brochure.

Motion: To swap the location of photos for the School of Rock building and the Railroad Street project in the brochure.

Action: Approved 5/0.

### 5.4 Ways the Committee can involve the community

City staff performed research into possible outreach methods and came up with the following:

- The historic preservation brochure
- The booth event at the upcoming NeighborGOOD Market on May 13
- Update presentation at a city council meeting
- Historic preservation month in May
- Update the HPC website
- Involve HPC members in the community outreach events for the Old Town SPA project
- Provide walking tours of historical resources in the city
- Provide virtual building/home tours of historical buildings in the city

HPC members recommend asking if the local organizations identified in the historic preservation brochure would be interested in giving short presentations to the HPC in order to build a rapport and understanding of how the HPC could work collectively with these local organizations. Committee member Buscher noted that the Native Sons of the Golden West would be interested in collaborating with the HPC and has already expressed an interest in collaborating with the city to develop commemorative plaques for designated historical resources within the city when the time comes.

Committee member Nadia Melgoza asked for clarification into the benefits/incentives of being a designated historical resource. City staff clarified that city has a façade improvement incentive program but does not currently have a Mills Act Program which would provide tax incentives for designated historical resources.

# 6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Committee may provide direction to Staff for future agenda items.

- 6.1 9098 Elk Grove Boulevard Application
- 6.2 Discussion/Update on Mills Act Program in City
- 6.3 Future presentations with local historical groups
- **6.4 Discussion on Community Engagement**

### 7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.

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