

## HB Historic Resources Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday March 25, 2014

City Hall, Room B

2000 Main Street Huntington Beach, Ca. 92648

I. **Call to order** – The meeting was called to order by Chair Alvarez at 6:04 pm.

**Roll Call** - Alvarez, Essner, Haynes, Minnie, Santiago, David Wentworth Sr., Duane Wentworth

Schey – Excused absence

Staff: Ramos

No liaisons present

II. **Welcome and Introductions** – Teri Baker from the City Manager’s office was introduced and will discuss information on the Mills Act.

III. **Approval of the minutes** – Minutes approved, first Haynes, 2<sup>nd</sup> Alvarez

IV. **Public Comments** – Carol Kirby and her daughter Michelle Pickens brought pictures and information regarding the City Council action to approve a plaque for the Golden Bear.

V. **Design Review Board** – Schey absent

VI. **Administrative** – Board opening - Alvarez distributed the one application received for review by the board. The board opening is being reposted on Channel 3 and FaceBook page has been revised to encourage qualified applicants to apply.

VII. **Standing Committee Reports**

**A. Mills Act** -Teri Baker, Assistant to City Manager, provided information she has been working on to get the Mills Act set up in HB. The savings to homeowners can be as much as 50% of their taxes. The money then goes back into the renovation of the home. After applications are accepted, the application goes back to the HRB for approval, then to City Council. The city is hoping to have the Mills Act in effect by September for December applications.

Ramos advised that Council Member Boardman had made the recommendation to City Council to adopt the Mills Act. Santiago will meet with Teri Baker and Cynthia Ward to get started.

**B. Demolition Review Committee** – No pending demos to report on.

**C. Galvin Survey**

Santiago reported the survey is almost complete, and he will go over emails and check for final revisions.

**D. Wintersburg Task Force**

Haynes reported that there is a nomination to get Wintersburg on the 11 Most Endangered Places in America list. It was approved for Haynes to draft a letter and email in support of the nomination. Haynes 1<sup>st</sup>, Alvarez 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Haynes reported that the Japanese Festival is Saturday March 29, 2014 behind The Central Library. The Task Force will have a booth.

**E. Main Street Library**

Haynes and Alvarez reported on the exhibit at The Main Street Library. There will be 10 vintage photos on exhibit each quarter. The photo selection has been approved by the Library Director. HB Digital will print and mount the photos. The new photos will be used for both the Library and other exhibits. The older ones will continue on at Surf City Nights. The Library will pay for the wood and the cleat hangers, The HRB approved to pay for 2nd quarter printing of photos. Alvarez 1<sup>st</sup>. Haynes 2<sup>nd</sup>. Haynes will contact HB Digital to start the printing.

Alvarez has purchased and donated 2 large portfolio cases to carry these pictures and also to be used at Surf City Nights

**F. Oral Histories / Archiving / Artifacts**

Alvarez suggested that the Oral History project go in a different direction by taking advantage of the opportunity to partner w/ the APA/MMET program at HBHS. She has met with legal, Jennifer McGrath, to coordinate how the HS and City can partner with the students doing the video for oral histories. It will be determined later who will actually conduct the interview questions. It was discussed to have a gathering at the Main St Library to introduce the idea of the oral histories to many seniors to make them feel more comfortable. Alvarez suggested that Minnie and

herself as HBHS Alumni Assn members work directly with the APA/MMET program Chair. Approved. Alvarez 1<sup>st</sup>. Essner 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Santiago will contact Schey for the interview release forms.

Duane Wentworth is working with Public Works and Legal on process for the HRB to become custodian of old blueprints from the city after they've been digitized.

It was previously suggested that we send all of the artifacts we have collected, and will collect in the future, to The OC Archives. Chris Jepsen, OC Archives, is tentatively scheduled to present a proposal at the April meeting. It was discussed if it is better to retain HB archival materials in the city. Santiago will contact Schey to confirm Chris Jepsen for the April meeting and for copy of donation form.

### **G. Walking Tour**

Haynes is waiting for Matt Leifring to get started on the video. It was suggested by Leifring to use Megan Delgleize in the walking portion of the video.

Santiago voiced his earlier concerns about the brochure, the mistakes and how they will be corrected. He also suggested that the brochure be written in a lighter style. Santiago will submit his corrections to the subcommittee to insure nothing is missed from the previous corrections submitted 2 years ago.

Minnie reported inventory on the brochures is very low. Alvarez will deliver her balance of supply to Minnie.

### **H. Sub committees**

Alvarez reported the subcommittees revisions. Haynes has resigned from the Galvin Survey subcommittee. Plaques / Markers / Archiving are Haynes, Schey, Santiago, Duane Wentworth.

Haynes had to leave at 7:30 and Essner took over the remaining minutes.

### **I. Surf City Nights**

Dave Wentworth reported that the BID wants to charge \$40.00 to have a booth on Tuesday night's. Since the HRB is an arm of the city, Alvarez will lobby the BID to waive the fee.

**J. Plaques and City Markers**

City Council approved that a plaque be placed for The Golden Bear. They would like to see it installed by Memorial Day. Haynes stated that it takes roughly 6 – 8 weeks to order and the location has not been decided. The subcommittee will need to get the property owner's approval and will meet with Carol Kirby to draft the plaque wording for City Council final approval.

**K. Facebook** – Haynes had to leave early, therefore, nothing to report

**VIII. Materials Distributed and Recent Finding**

Nothing reported.

**IX. Items to be Agenized**

OC Archives presentation in April.

**XI. Next Meeting / Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm. The next meeting will be on April 16, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Haynes