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HISTORIC SITE PRESERVATION BOARD CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA

Large Conference Room, 3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, California 92262
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MINUTES

February 12, 2019



9:00 AM
REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL: Chair Johns, Vice-Chair Burkett, Members Dixon, La Voie, Kiser, Marsh.

ABSENT: Hays (Excused)

2019 – Attendance Record for CLG

Name	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Gary Johns	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dick Burkett	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bill La Voie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Todd Hays	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dan Kiser	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda Dixon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vincent Marsh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA:

M/S/C Dixon / Lavoie to approve the agenda (6-0-1, Hays absent).

PUBLIC COMMENT:

(There were no speakers during public comment and the chair closed the public comment period.)

1. CONSENT CALENDAR: (none)

1.A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: DECEMBER 11, 2018 and JANUARY 8, 2019 HSPB MEETINGS.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Historic Site Preservation Board Minutes of December 11, 2018 and January 8, 2019.

M/S/C La Voie / Dixon, to approve the minutes of December 11, 2018 (6-0-1, Hays absent).

M/S/C La Voie / Dixon, to approve the minutes of January 8, 2019 (5-0-1-1, Hays absent Johns abstained.)

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS: (none)

3. UNBUSINESS: (None)

4. NEW BUSINESS (None).

4.A. HAL KEASLER AND JAMES MURPHY, OWNERS REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR ALTERATIONS TO "THE CORK N BOTTLE BUILDING", A CLASS 1 HISTORIC SITE LOCATED AT 342 NORTH PALM CANYON DRIVE, (HSPB #31, CASE 3.1299 MAA). (KL)

Staff member Lyon summarized the staff report.

The applicants did not appear at the meeting.

Member Burkett noted that the black material seen in the 1946 photograph of the building may have been a product called "Vitrolite", and encouraged the applicant to find a material similar in appearance for the wainscot on the front of the building.

Member Dixon asked for clarification on the front façade of the annex (Staff member Lyon explained it was proposed to be "as is", with a set of aluminum clad doors and a side lite, mostly likely replaced due to wear and tear on the existing doors).

Chair Johns asked about the clock that had been on the building and whether it would be replaced (Staff member Lyon explained the clock was not on the building during its period of significance, which was the mid thirties to the mid forties, however the clock had been on the building for well over 50 years and could be considered part of the "historic elements" of the building.) Johns also asked about the status of the old "Cork n Bottle" sign (Staff member Lyon noted it was not known, but he would investigate. The City did not keep the sign Director Fagg noted the sign had plastic acrylic face panels

which suggests it was not a sign from the buildings period of significance but most likely something installed in recent years.)

M/S/C La Voie / Dixon to approve with conditions as follows:

1. Investigate via scraping or other means the original building color and determine via a subcommittee of the HSPB whether it is appropriate to repaint to that color.
2. Provide specific details on proposed architectural lighting (location, mounting method, dimensions, brightness, location of transformers, etc. for approval by a subcommittee of the HSPB.
3. Clearly document for the City's archival file the components that are new or replicated or which reflect the original details of the building.
4. Repair and reinstall the square clock on the center tower of the building.
5. Encourage prospective tenants to create signage similar to the original "Radio Shop" sign.
6. In determining color, paint the "annex" a different color to differentiate it from the primary façade of the 342 building.
7. Explore materials for the black "wainscot" that may be similar to "Vitrolite" in surface appearance which may likely have been the original material used on the building.
8. Subcommittee for Cork n Bottle Building to be La Voie / Burkett. Motion passed (6-0-1, Hays absent.)

5. DISCUSSION:

5.A. 2019 NATIONAL PRESERVATION MONTH SYMPOSIUM (Burkett, Kiser, Marsh)

Member Burkett summarized the progress on the planning of the event.

5.B. CORNELIA WHITE RESIDENCE STABILIZATION. (Lyon).

Staff member Lyon will provide an update on the project at the next meeting.

5.C. LA PLAZA THEATER UPDATE (La Voie, Burkett, Marsh).

Member Burkett noted the citywide event at the Plaza Theater hosted by councilmember Roberts and Mayor Moon which was well attended.

Member Dixon noted Roberts discussed the need for a significant fundraising campaign.

The Board expressed interest in staying involved with the progress on the project.

**5.D. WELWOOD MURRAY LIBRARY COURTYARD RESTORATION STATUS
(Johns, Burkett, Dixon).**

Member Burkett noted there had been a recent meeting of the HSPB subcommittee, Councilmembers Holstege and Middleton, City Manager Ready, the library subcommittee and Jay from Engineering outlining next steps for the project.

The HSPB subcommittee members expressed concern that the proposed gates should reflect the period of significance of the library, and not just be utilitarian gates. There was interest in some sort of inclusion of the concrete tortoises, symbolizing the small group of tortoises that apparently inhabited the courtyard at some time in the past. They also again expressed their interest that there be movable furniture harmonious with the period of significance of the building.

5.E. ORIENTATION TO THE NEW HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

STAFF COMMENTS: (none).

ADJOURNMENT: The Historic Site Preservation Board will adjourn to its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2019, at 9:00 A.M, in the Large Conference Room at City Hall.

Flinn Fagg, AICP
Director of Planning Services