

# 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

June 11, 2019



9:00 AM  
REGULAR MEETING

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

**ROLL CALL:** Chair Burkett, Vice Chair Hays, Members Dixon, La Voie, Kiser, Hough.

**ABSENT:** Marsh

**2019 – Attendance Record for CLG**

Name	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
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"/>
Todd Hays	<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"/>
Dan Kiser	<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"/>
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 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"/>
Katherine Hough	<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 / Hays to accept the agenda as presented, 6-0-1 (Marsh absent).

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There were no speakers during public comment.

**1. CONSENT CALENDAR:** (none)

**1.A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: MAY 14, 2019 HSPB MEETING.**

M/S/C: Hough / Dixon to approve the minutes of May 14, 2019, 6-0-1, (Marsh absent).

**2. PUBLIC HEARINGS:** (none.)

**3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** (none.)

**4. NEW BUSINESS:**

**4.A. DOUG MACBETH, ON BEHALF OF THE MERITO MANOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION REQUESTING HISTORIC DISTRICT DESIGNATION OF MERITO MANOR CONDOMINIUMS LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF WEST MERITO PLACE AND NORTH BELARDO ROAD, ZONE R-2, CASE HSPB #121 / HD-7. (KL)**

M/S/C La Voie / Hayes to receive the historic resources report, direct staff to schedule site visits and schedule a public hearing of the HSPB to consider the application. 6-0-1 (Marsh absent).

**4.B. TRACY CONRAD AND PAUL MARUT, OWNERS, REQUESTING CLASS 1 HISTORIC RESOURCE DESIGNATION OF "THE BISHOP RESIDENCE", LOCATED AT 468 WEST TAHQUITZ CANYON WAY, (APN 413-110-036), ZONE R-1-A (CASE HSPB #122). (KL)**

M/S/C Hays / Hough to receive the historic resources report, direct staff to schedule site visits and schedule a public hearing of the HSPB to consider the application. 6-0-1 (Marsh absent).

**5. DISCUSSION:**

**5.A. HSPB WORK PLAN OBJECTIVES FOR FY 19/20. (Lyon)**

Staff Lyon summarized his memo to the board explaining the process of preparing the work plan for 2019 / 2020. Board members identified the following sites for possible inclusion in the work plan:

1. Korakia Pensione.
2. The Araby Rock Houses.
3. Las Palmas Liquors.
4. 606 Oleander Animal Hospital.
5. 545 South Calle Palo Fierro.
6. Union Bank of California.
7. The Park View Mobile Home Park Sign.
8. Araby Adobe.

9. Colony 29
10. The Gas Company Building.

Staff Lyon will send out an email for the board members to rank the sites (1,2,3, etc.) in the order they would like to prioritize the sites, recognizing staff work load and applications from private individuals would take precedent. The prioritized list will be prepared for the HSPB approval at the July meeting.

#### **5.B. POSSIBLE NEW BOARD INITIATIVES (Burkett)**

Chair Burkett passed out a memo with recommendations for new initiatives for education and outreach.

The board expressed interest in local mini-tours to such sites as the “Santorini House”, the Adobe House in the Mesa Tract and the Rancho Mirage historic resource tour by Melissa Richie.

#### **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:**

Member La Voie created a 3D computer simulation of the Calle Rolph subdivision of modest homes designed by Albert Frey which he offered to share with the board at the July meeting.

Member Hough expressed that she felt pleased with the work of the Board.

Member Hays asked whether the COD site (former P.S. Mall) would re-use the areas with the folded plate roofs (Staff Lyon stated the City was not aware of the master plan for the site, but assumed none of the existing buildings would be salvaged).

Chair Burkett asked for an update on the status of the renovation of the Cork ‘n Bottle building.

#### **STAFF COMMENTS:**

Staff Lyon passed out a memo from Director Fagg that provided an update on the status of the HSPB budget and remaining balance. He stated that the budget for the next two years would likely be fixed at around \$53,500, same as the current budget.

Staff Lyon provided an update on recent discussions with architects on adaptive reuse of the Palm Springs Racquet Club. A project proposing a 3 story hotel, smaller cluster apartment/hotel units, spa, restoration of the Bamboo room, restaurant, bar, swimming pool, conference center, etc. The preliminary conceptual plan proposed removal of the Farrell residence and most of the Albert Frey bungalows (retaining the Schiff Residence), perimeter parking and numerous walking trails.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 10:47 a.m., the Historic Site Preservation Board adjourned to its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, July 9, 2019, at 9:00 A.M, in the Large Conference Room at City Hall.

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Flinn Fagg, AICP  
Director of Planning Services