

**CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA
HISTORIC SITE PRESERVATION BOARD**

Tuesday, July 14, 2009

Meeting Minutes

Large Conference Room, City Hall

3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, California 92262

BOARD MEMBERS:	Present This Meeting:	Present FY Year-to-Date	FY: 2009/2010 Excused
Absences:			
Sidney William, Chair	X	1	0
Brian Strahl, Vice Chair	X	1	0
Sheila Grattan	X	1	0
Tom DeLeeuw	X	1	0
John Gilmer	X	1	0
Barbara Marshall	X	1	0

Staff Representatives:

Craig A. Ewing, AICP,
Director of Planning Services
Staff Liaison

Glenn Mlaker, Assistant Planner
Project Planner

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The regularly scheduled HSPB meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m., Tuesday, July 14, 2009, by Vice Chair Brian Strahl.
2. **ROLL CALL:** Present: T. DeLeeuw, J. Gilmer, S. Grattan, B. Marshall, B. Strahl and S. Williams (arrived late).
3. **POSTING OF AGENDA:** The agenda was available for public access at the City Hall exterior bulletin board (west side of Council Chamber), City Clerk's office, and Planning Services' counter on or before 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, 2009.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.
5. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Minutes of June 9, 2009 Meeting - A total of three **CORRECTIONS** on page 1 and 3.

M/S/C (Grattan/Gilmer, 5-0, 1 absent / Williams) To approve, the minutes of June 9, 2009, as amended.

6. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR:

Vice Chair Strahl reported that Chair Williams will arrive later in the meeting and may provide a report at that time.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- 7.A Case No. 3.3341 - HSPB 71 - Proposed Historic Class 1 Site designation of the "Navajo Drive Alexander Home" located at 1958 South Navajo Drive. - Assistant Planner, Glenn Mlaker

Glenn Mlaker, Assistant Planner, presented the staff report and recommended that the Historic Site Preservation Board recommend denial to the City Council designating 1958 South Navajo Drive a Class 1 Historic Site.

The public hearing was opened and closed with no appearances coming forward.

M/S/C (DeLeeuw/Grattan, 5-0, 1 absent/Williams) To recommend denial to the City Council.

8. CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL REQUEST(S):

8.A Case 3.3352 – Application by Satterwhite for demolition of the structures located at 823 Avenida Palos Verdes, Zone R-1-B, Section 1, Built 1925 - Class 3 Historic Site. - Assistant Planner Glenn Mlaker, and report from Subcommittee members: Marshall and Grattan

Glenn Mlaker, Assistant Planner, presented the staff report and recommended that the Historic Preservation Site Board approve the request to demolish the guesthouse, pool, tennis court and guesthouse.

M/S/C (DeLeeuw/Gilmer, 3-2, Strahl,Grattan) To issue a Stay of Demolition for 120 days, and direct staff to schedule a public hearing and prepare a report on the possible designation of the property.

9. OTHER BUSINESS:

9.A Work Program and Budget for 2009 / 10 – Adoption of Proposed Work Program

Director Ewing provided background information as outlined in the staff report.

M/S/C (Grattan/Strahl, 6-0) To approve the Historic Preservation Site Board's work program for the 2009/2010 fiscal year.

9.B Historic Markers – Review of Marker Locations

Director Ewing provided background information as outlined in the staff memorandum.

M/S/C (Gilmer/Marshall, 6-0) To approve.

9.C Historic Markers – Review of Marker Text - No report.

9.D Case 3. 3228 - HSPB 67 Casino House, 982 North Avenida Palmas – Progress Report – Glenn Mlaker and Subcommittee Marshall & Williams

Glenn Mlaker, Assistant Planner, reported that staff will continue to work with the owner to set-up a site visit within the next few weeks.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND SPECIAL PROJECTS:

10.A P.S. Preservation Foundation (www.pspreservationfoundation.org) – Board member Strahl provided details on the Retro Martini Party to be held on Friday, February 19, 2010. The Fall/Winter events will be published on the website.

- 10.B P.S. Modern Committee (www.psmodcom.com) – Board member Marshall spoke in support of the Oasis Commercial building and provided details about a new kiosk at the Tramway Visitors Center.
- 10.C P.S. Historical Society (www.pshistoricalsociety.org) – Board member Grattan provided an update and noted that all photos are on digital copies. The Desert Sun provided good coverage.
- 10.D Architecture & Design Council (www.psmuseum.org) – Board member Gilmer reported no meeting will be held in July and a lecture series will begin in October that includes a reception.
- 10.E Application for Historic Site Designation – Review of Proposed Revisions – Discussion occurred on the application for Historic Site.

M/S/C (Strahl/Marshall, 6-0) To direct staff to complete the revisions to the application forms and make them available at the public counter and on the City's web site.

11. STAFF & OTHER REPORTS:

- 11.A Discussion of Vacation Schedule - All board members will be in town and a meeting will be held in August.

12. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Board member Marshall provided an update on the Historic District brochure.

Board member Gilmer commented that the Mills Act apply to properties in the District.

13. ADJOURNMENT: The HSPB adjourned at 10:15 to its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, August 11, 2009, in the Large Conference Room at City Hall.

Craig A. Ewing, AICP
Director of Planning