

**CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE
HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

MINUTES

June 13, 2007

Tape #07-04

4:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, Pacific Grove City Hall

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Darlene Billstrom (Chair), Ken Hinshaw (Vice-Chair),
Fran Horvath, Rebecca Riddell, and Michael Puckett (partial
attendance)

Absent: Michael Puckett (Absent for the first portion of meeting; arrived to
vote on Item 6B and subsequent items.)

Vacancies: Two

Staff: Jon Biggs, Community Development Director
Tricia Wotan, Associate Planner

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Ken Hinshaw-Fran Horvath **the Committee voted 4-0 to
approve the minutes of the May 9, 2007 regular meeting.**

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Public comment: Thomas Schellenberg asked for a formal response to be given
to his previously mentioned questions and concerns regarding the question if the
Historic Resources Committee (HRC) is properly empanelled. Mr. Schellenberg
provided hardcopy list of questions and concerns to staff.

5. ITEMS TO BE CONTINUED OR WITHDRAWN

None.

6. REGULAR AGENDA

**6.A HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE REVISION SUB-
COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Committee systematically reviewed “Version 17 - June 2007” of the “Draft Copy of Proposed Changes” to the Historic Preservation Ordinance (Municipal Code Chapter 23.76) and discussed additional text revisions and topics including, but not limited to, additions and alterations to historic structures, minimum maintenance, demolition, and enforcement and penalties.

Hinshaw asked that the subcommittee finalize the revisions. Billstrom stated this could occur for the next meeting.

Public Comment:

- Betty Aickelin asked if the historic structures at Asilomar State Park could be recognized as local historic resources in the Historic Preservation Ordinance.

6.B DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF THE PROPERTY AT 859 MAPLE STREET FOR ADDITION TO THE HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Community Development Director Jon Biggs presented the staff report.

Public Comment:

- Bob McIntyre, Architect, expressed his clients’ desire to determine if the property is historic. He further stated that the two historic evaluations of the property seemed to differ in their conclusions.
- Betty Aickelin, on behalf of the Heritage Society of Pacific Grove, stated that she performed a historic review of this property, as well. She discussed her findings, and concluded that this historic structure meets criteria for inclusion on the HRI. She stated that it was a difficult project to research due to the many changes that have occurred on the property. She also stated that, from what she found, the front end of the home was built in 1930, and although it is not the same as the original home described on the 1928-1929 Building Classification sheet, she believes the home still meets some of the evaluation criteria for inclusion on the HRI.
- Ryan Woodlow, Licensed General Contractor on project, stated that the additions have been made to the historic structure and he can distinguish the newer additions from the historic structure. He notes the rear, flat-roofed portion of the home to be a later addition to the original structure. He stated that he could assist in evaluating what sections of the home are part of the historic structure versus what comprises part of later additions.

[Committee Member, Michael Puckett, joined the meeting at this point, during the committee discussions regarding 859 Maple Street.]

Hinshaw agrees with Betty Aickelin's historic assessment, and that the 1930 stucco house is probably the same home there today as it was in 1931 except for the later additions. Hinshaw stated he would like to see this home on the HRI.

Riddell stated she believes it is a good example of a 1930's Spanish bungalow.

Horvath stated that the original structure seems to have been maintained.

Billstrom was unsure about the loss of the original structure, but after understanding her colleagues' assessments, believes that the home may be eligible for inclusion.

On a motion by Hinshaw- Horvath, the committee voted 5-0 to approve the addition of 859 Maple Street to the HRI subject to staff working with the contractor to identify the remaining portions of the original house based on those elements that retain the integrity of the 1930's structure.

6.A DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF THE PROPERTY AT 702 GRANITE STREET FOR ADDITION TO THE HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Community Development Director Jon Biggs presented the staff report.

Public Comment:

- Ted Parrott, owner of 702 Granite, provided his feedback regarding the existing structure's condition and existing components today. He also provided insight into the remnants of the historic structure that he's located in his own work on the property. He indicated that he'd like to restore the home, windows and exterior, to a more aesthetic stature, but not necessarily in accordance with the historic exterior as described in the 1920's.

Riddell stated that the historic nature of this home is no longer evident. Horvath stated this structure cannot go on the HRI. Billstrom and Hinshaw agreed.

On a motion by Horvath-Hinshaw, the committee voted 5-0 to deny the addition of 702 Granite Street to the Historic Resources Inventory.

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Rebecca Riddell announced the "Heritage Society Bird House" contest.

8. REPORTS FROM STAFF

Biggs reported on the decisions by Judge Silver on the demolition of historic properties in Pacific Grove.

9. AGENDA FORECAST

Billstrom would like to add an agenda item to the next meeting to discuss the Mills Act and it's appropriateness for Pacific Grove.

Hinshaw agreed and stated it would be beneficial to understand possible financial implications of enacting the Mills Act in Pacific Grove.

Billstrom stated that the next meeting agenda should include a discussion item for the revised Historic Preservation Ordinance and also show that the committee would be taking action on it, as well.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Tricia Wotan
Associate Planner