

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
YREKA HISTORIC DISTRICT & LANDMARKS COMMISSION
HELD IN THE YREKA CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER IN SAID CITY
ON THE 14TH DAY OF APRIL 2011

On the 14th day of April 2011, at 6:30 p.m., the Historic District & Landmarks Commission of the City of Yreka met in the City Council Chamber in said city in regular session. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair East and present were:

Commissioners: Don East
Selma George
Peter O'Brien
Jackie Terwilliger

Absent: Paul McCoy
Maytha Reather

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

MINUTES

The Commission having received a copy of the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 10, 2011, the minutes were approved on a motion made by Commissioner Terwilliger, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien, all in attendance voting aye.

USE PERMIT – CONSTRUCT ACCESSORY STRUCTURE

The Commission reviewed the application submitted by Larry Saunders for a use permit for construction of an addition of approximately 340 sq. ft. to existing shop for use as a woodshed and storage. The new structure will have lap siding and colors to match the house (when house is repainted – off white with wine and forest green trim) on the property located at 321 Third Street, Assessor's Parcel No. 053-204-230, R-1 (Single Family Residential) zone, HD (Historic District) General Plan designation.

Following Commission discussion, Commissioner O'Brien made a motion to approve the application for a use permit for construction of an addition of approximately 340 sq. ft. to existing shop for use as a woodshed and storage. The new structure will have lap siding and colors to match the house (when house is repainted – off white with wine and forest green trim) on the property located at 321 Third Street Assessor's Parcel No. 053-204-230, R-1 (Single Family Residential) zone, HD (Historic District) General Plan designation. Approval is subject to full compliance with all applicable city, state, and federal laws and regulations based on the following findings and conditions:

FINDINGS:

1. The proposed exterior improvements will not be detrimental to the health, safety, peace, morals, comfort, and general welfare of persons residing or working in the

neighborhood, and will not be detrimental to the harmonious and orderly growth of the City of Yreka.

2. The proposed exterior improvements will not adversely affect and will be compatible with the external appearance of other existing improvements, buildings and structures on or adjacent to said property.

3. The proposed exterior improvements will not detrimentally alter, destroy or adversely affect any exterior architectural feature of any existing building on the property.

4. The proposed exterior improvements conform to the purposes of the Historic District ordinance and specifically emphasizes the preservation of architectural styles existing in the area of the City prior to 1910 and, secondarily emphasizes other distinct and noteworthy architectural styles reflecting the phases of Yreka's history.

CONDITIONS:

1. Permittee shall comply at all times with the minimum performance conditions for the construction, rehabilitation and preservation of residential buildings as set forth in Resolution No. HDLC-3 of the City of Yreka.

2. Permittee authorized to construct an addition to the existing shop according to the application submitted.

3. Permittee shall obtain a building permit and shall pay the necessary fees therefor prior to making any building, electrical, mechanical, or plumbing alterations/improvements to the structure.

4. The permit shall expire and terminate if not used within one (1) year from the date of approval. Approval may be extended upon written application to the Planning Commission before expiration of the first approval.

Commissioner George seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: East, George, O'Brien, Terwilliger

NOES: None

ABSENT: McCoy, Reather

SISKIYOU COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

City Attorney McHugh explained the request received from ENPLAN for comment regarding known cultural resources in the project vicinity of the proposed new six-courtroom courthouse, proposed project is located on Assessor's Parcel Nos.: 054-184-040, 050, 060, 080, 090, 011, and 013 in Block 49; and 054-185-020, 030, 040, 050, 060, 015 and 016 in Block 50 of the Official Map of Yreka City. She provided proposed location and zoning maps and a tentative courthouse scheme for review.

The Commissioners expressed regret at losing the house located at 417 Fourth Street; they suggested that historic parts of the house should be salvaged (trim, windows, etc).

None of the Commissioners could identify any known cultural resources in the project vicinity except the house at 417 Fourth Street. Pursuant to a Historical Architectural Resources Study prepared by Judith Marvin of Foothill Resources, Ltd., the house did not appear eligible for listing on the California Register of Historical Resources because it doesn't retain sufficient integrity to be eligible for inclusion in the California Register.

The consensus of the commission was that the importance of the courthouse project being located in the downtown outweighs the impacts upon the project area.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Commission decided to postpone election of officers until the next meeting when more Commissioners are in attendance. The agenda item was tabled.

COMMISSIONER STATEMENTS AND COMMENTS

Commissioner O'Brien asked about replacement of the worn out "Meat Market" sign on Miner Street. He was informed that the Yreka Committee for Historic Preservation is earning money for renovation of that sign and a couple of others.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Pamela J. Hayden, Planning Director