



## HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES

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7:00 p.m. Monday, June 27, 2011  
Los Altos Community Meeting Chambers  
1 North San Antonio Road, Los Altos, California 94022

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### CALL TO ORDER

Chair WELSH called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

### ROLL CALL

Present: Chair WELSH, Commissioners AHMADJIAN-BAER, BAKER, BISHOP,  
CHAPMAN, LONEY and MARFATIA.  
Absent: None  
Staff: Staff Liaison DAHL

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

### DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Minutes from the May 23, 2011 regular Historical Commission meeting.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LONEY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER AHMADJIAN-BAER, to approve Meeting Minutes.  
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Historic Resources Inventory Update

Staff Liaison DAHL presented the project and answered questions from the Commission.

A representative of the Creekside Oaks Homeowners Association noted that the association has voted in support of designating the Costello Barn as a historic resource, but noted DPR form should be updated to note that the roof is composition shingle not wood shake, and to clarify if the structure is located within a SCVWD easement. The trustee for the property at 1448 Fowler Court expressed concerns about the historic integrity of the residence and requested that it not be designated as a historic resource. A representative of the owners of 166 Hawthorne Avenue noted that the property was moved from its original location and that the designation would result in a loss of value. The owner of 81 Pepper Drive expressed concerns about the loss of property value. The owner of 604 Millverton noted that he supported preservation of the house, but that the action should be postponed in order to work out other issues that exist on the property.

The Commission expressed general support for designating the identified properties as historic resources, but noted that some of the questions raised by members of the public merited the need for additional time before the Commission took action.

a. 530 Cherry Avenue

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LONEY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER AHMADJIAN-BAER, to designate the property at 530 Cherry Avenue as a Historic Resource, per Section 12.44.040 of the Municipal Code, and add it to the Los Altos Historic Resources Inventory.  
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Deepwell Lane (Costello Barn)

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CHAPMAN SECONDED BY CHAIR WELSH, to designate the Costello Barn on Deep Well Lane as a Historic Resource, per Section 12.44.040 of the Municipal Code, and add it to the Los Altos Historic Resources Inventory, with DPR Form updated per public comments.  
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c. 566 S. El Monte Avenue

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LONEY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MARFATIA, to designate the property at 566 South El Monte Avenue as a Historic Resource, per Section 12.44.040 of the Municipal Code, and add it to the Los Altos Historic Resources Inventory.  
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

d. 1448 Fowler Court

MOTION BY CHAIR WELSH SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LONEY, to continue consideration of 1448 Fowler Court as a Historic Resource to the meeting on July 25, 2011.  
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

e. 189 N. Gordon Way

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CHAPMAN SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MARFATIA, to designate the property at 189 North Gordon Way as a Historic Resource, per Section 12.44.040 of the Municipal Code, and add it to the Los Altos Historic Resources Inventory.  
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

f. 166 Hawthorne Avenue

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LONEY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAPMAN, to continue consideration of 166 Hawthorne Avenue as a Historic Resource to the meeting on July 25, 2011.  
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

g. 183 Hillview Avenue

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MARFATIA SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER AHMADJIAN-BAER, to designate the property at 183 Hillview Avenue as a Historic Resource, per Section 12.44.040 of the Municipal Code, and add it to the Los Altos Historic Resources Inventory.  
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

h. 87 Lyell Street

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LONEY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER AHMADJIAN-BAER, to designate the property at 87 Lyell Street as a Historic Resource, per Section 12.44.040 of the Municipal Code, and add it to the Los Altos Historic Resources Inventory.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

i. 125 Lyell Street

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MARFATIA SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BAKER, to designate the property at 125 Lyell Street as a Historic Resource, per Section 12.44.040 of the Municipal Code, and add it to the Los Altos Historic Resources Inventory.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

j. 234 Live Oak Lane

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CHAPMAN SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER AHMADJIAN-BAER, to not designate the property at 234 Live Oak Lane as a Historic Resource due to lack of physical integrity.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

k. 70 Marvin Avenue

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MARFATIA SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BAKER, to designate the property at 70 Marvin Avenue as a Historic Resource, per Section 12.44.040 of the Municipal Code, and add it to the Los Altos Historic Resources Inventory.

THE MOTION CARRIED 6-1 (Commissioner LONEY opposed)

l. 604 Milverton Road

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LONEY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAPMAN, to continue consideration of 604 Milverton Road as a Historic Resource to the meeting on July 25, 2011.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

m. 718 Orange Avenue

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LONEY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MARFATIA, to designate the property at 718 Orange Avenue as a Historic Resource, per Section 12.44.040 of the Municipal Code, and add it to the Los Altos Historic Resources Inventory.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

n. 81 Pepper Drive

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MARFATIA SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LONEY, to designate the property at 81 Pepper Drive as a Historic Resource, per Section 12.44.040 of the Municipal Code, and add it to the Los Altos Historic Resources Inventory.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

o. 1050 Portland Avenue

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AHMADJIAN-BAER SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BAKER, to designate the property at 1050 Portland Avenue as a Historic Resource, per Section 12.44.040 of the Municipal Code, and add it to the Los Altos Historic Resources Inventory.  
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

p. 457 San Luis Avenue

MOTION BY CHAIR WELSH SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAPMAN, to designate the property at 457 San Luis Avenue as a Historic Resource, per Section 12.44.040 of the Municipal Code, and add it to the Los Altos Historic Resources Inventory.  
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

q. 366 Second Street and 388 Second Street

The Commission noted that the properties still appeared to meet the findings outlined in the Historic Preservation Ordinance to merit addition to the Historic Resources Inventory and instructed staff to provide documentation previously submitted by the owners before formal action was to be taken.

MOTION BY CHAIR WELSH SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAPMAN, to continue consideration of 366 Second Street and 388 Second Street as a Historic Resource to the meeting on July 25, 2011.  
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

r. 396 Van Buren Street

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER LONEY SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MARFATIA, to designate the property at 396 Van Buren Street as a Historic Resource, per Section 12.44.040 of the Municipal Code, and add it to the Los Altos Historic Resources Inventory.  
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Nomination of Shoup House to National Register of Historic Places

Staff Liaison DAHL presented the application for listing the Shoup House on the National Register of Historic Places with a recommendation that the Commission draft a letter in support of the nomination.

The owner of the property at 500 University (the Shoup House) spoke in support of the nomination, noting that the merits for listing the house on the National Register was based more on Paul Shoup the person and less on the actual house at 500 University.

The Commission expressed support for nomination, noting that Paul Shoup was considered a founding father of the City and that the house at 500 University Avenue was great piece of Los Altos history.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER BAKER SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LONEY, to draft a letter in support of the nomination of the Paul Shoup House at 500 University Avenue for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair WELSH adjourned the meeting at 9:00 PM

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Zachary Dahl, AICP  
Staff Liaison to the Historical Commission