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Quarterly Meeting of the
STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
Council Chambers
City of Alameda
2263 Santa Clara Avenue, 3rd Floor
Alameda, California 94501
May 3, 2012
9:00 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Bryan K. Brandes, Chair, Public Member
Rick Moss, Vice Chair, History
Alberto Bertoli, AIA, Architecture
Donn Grenda, Ph.D., Prehistoric Archaeology
Julianne Polanco, Architectural History
David Phoenix, Public Member

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Fernando Guerra, Folklore
Richard Shek, Ethnic History

STAFF PRESENT

Milford Wayne Donaldson, State Historic Preservation Officer and Executive Secretary
to the Commission
Jenan Saunders, Acting Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Tara Lynch, Senior Staff Counsel, California State Parks
Jay Correia, State Historian III, Registration Unit Supervisor
Amy Crain, State Historian II
William Burg, State Historian I
Twila Willis-Hunter, Executive Secretary

I CALL TO ORDER

Legal notice having been duly given and a quorum present, the State Historical Resources Commission (Commission) meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Brandes.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Brandes led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. INTRODUCTION OF COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF

The Commissioners introduced themselves. Milford Wayne Donaldson, State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), introduced the Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) staff.

IV. WELCOME

Honorable Rob Bonta, Vice Mayor of the City of Alameda, welcomed the Commission to the City of Alameda, mentioning Alameda's efforts to preserve historical resources such as the Alameda Theater, Alameda Point, and Carnegie Library.

V. RESOLUTIONS

- A. Phil Dunsmore, a senior planner in the Community Development Department of the City of San Luis Obispo, accepted the resolution honoring the City of San Luis Obispo, California's 62nd Certified Local Government (CLG)
- B. No one was present to accept the resolution for the USS Hornet.
- C. Tom Morehouse accepted the resolution for the USS Potomac.

Chairman Brandes then thanked those who had facilitated the commission's workshop at the African American Museum and Library of Oakland, those who arranged and conducted a tour of the USS Hornet, and those who coordinated the reception on board the USS Potomac, sponsored by the Oakland Heritage Association.

Chairman Brandes went on to announce changes to the agenda:
Moved four bridge nominations from the Consent Calendar (Item X: 3, 4, 5, and 6) to Discussion and Action (X)
Removed the California Register delisting from National Register/California Register Discussion and Action Items (X)
Removed Item C from Commission Discussion and Action Items (XIV)

VI. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 20, 2012 MINUTES

Chairman Brandes entertained a motion to approve the January 20, 2012 meeting minutes. Commissioner Grenda moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Commissioner Polanco seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

VII. COMMISSION AND STAFF REPORTS

A. Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Brandes had no report.

B. Executive Secretary's Report

SHPO Donaldson discussed the status of the Main Street program and how the Office of Historic Preservation is planning to link it more closely with the Certified Local Government (CLG) and Preserve America programs. He also noted he had traveled to Washington DC in March for the National Council of State Historic Preservation Officers' (NCSHPO) annual meeting and Preservation Action's lobby day. He asked Acting Deputy SHPO Jenan Saunders to provide updates on the office activities on which she's working.

Acting Deputy SHPO Saunders spoke of progress made on the State Historic Preservation Plan, noting she has written the initial draft, is soliciting comments, and will have the final draft ready for adoption at the August Commission meeting. In addition, she noted that OHP is participating wholeheartedly this year in Preservation Month, is accepting nominations until May 11 for the Governor's Historic Preservation awards, and, finally, sketched current plans for the Women's History Thematic Studies.

Tom Morehouse of the *USS Potomac* arrived and was allowed to speak, as he had been unable to be present to accept the Resolution the Commission presented to the *USS Potomac*. He thanked the Commission for the resolution and gave OHP a book on the history of the Potomac for the office library

VIII. POWERPOINT PRESENTATIONS OF ALL NOMINATED PROPERTIES

Registration Unit staff then presented a PowerPoint presentation that highlighted the properties on the Consent Calendar to be heard by the Commission.

IX. CONSENT ACTION ITEMS

A. National Register of Historic Places, New Nominations

1. Ashland Depot
Folsom, Sacramento County
Local Level of Significance
 2. California Granite Company
Rocklin, Placer County
Local Level of Significance
 3. Sacramento Northern Railway
Solano County
Local Level of Significance
 4. Shiloh Baptist Church
Sacramento, Sacramento County
Local Level of Significance
 5. Lafayette Hotel
San Diego, San Diego County
Local Level of Significance
- B. California Register of Historical Resources, New Nomination
1. Hardin Schoolhouse
St. Helena, Napa County
Local Level of Significance
- C. California Point of Historical Interest, New Nominations
1. O'Neill Surf Shop (site of)
Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz County
Local Level of Significance
 2. Fourteen Mile House
Citrus Heights, Sacramento County
Local level of Significance

Chairman Brandes asked for a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Commissioner Polanco moved to approve the Consent Calendar as amended. Commissioner Grenda seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

David Terrazas, City Council member, City of Santa Cruz, thanked the commission for their support of the **O'Neill Surf Shop** site nomination.

Mark Mazzara, General Counsel for O'Neill Wetsuits, spoke about the company's commitment to coastal protection and ensuring beach access for the public.

Note: Item 5 on the Consent Calendar, **Lafayette Hotel**, is in San Diego, San Diego County, not Los Angeles, as shown on the agenda, and this fact was clarified in the staff report presented to the commission during the meeting.

X. NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

A. National Register of Historic Places, New Nominations

1. Tishawnik
Location Restricted
Local Level of Significance

Hélène Rouvier, THPO of the Karuk tribe, spoke in support of the nomination and presented a PowerPoint of the property. No one spoke in opposition.

Commissioner Grenda moved and Vice-Chairperson Moss seconded the motion to determine the property eligible for the National Register. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

2. Durgan Bridge
Downieville, Sierra County
Local Level of Significance
3. Hansen Bridge
Downieville, Sierra County
Local Level of Significance
4. Hospital Bridge
Downieville, Sierra County
Local Level of Significance
5. Jersey Bridge
Downieville, Sierra County
Local Level of Significance

Lee Adams, a Sierra County Supervisor, spoke in support of the nominations, emphasizing the importance of the bridges to maintaining the small-town character of Downieville.

Downieville Fire Chief Lee Brown spoke in opposition to the nominations on the basis of public safety issues in that emergency vehicles have a difficult time accessing these one-lane bridges. Chairperson Brandes spoke up to clarify that the charge of the Commission is to consider properties against the criteria for listing, leaving aside economic or social issues.

Commissioner Bertoli stated his opinion that the commission should nevertheless consider emergency access issues because they are important.

SHPO Donaldson suggested that the State Historical Building Code might be consulted to help with access issues if the bridges were listed.

Acting Deputy SHPO Saunders added that listing doesn't preclude Sierra County from making changes to the bridges in the future, but simply requires the County to consider possible impacts and analyze ways to mitigate such changes.

Senior Staff Counsel Lynch reiterated that by law, the Commission can only make its decision based upon the criteria under which a property is being nominated.

Vice-chair Moss moved that all four bridges be added to the National Register. Commissioner Phoenix seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried. Commissioners Brandes, Moss, Phoenix, Grenda, and Polanco voted in favor; Commissioner Bertoli abstained.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Richard Rothman, who resides in San Francisco, spoke of his concerns regarding changes that buildings at Asilomar Conference Grounds are undergoing. He believes that if these changes are intended to return buildings to their original appearance, visitors should be so informed. He also expressed concern about the Memorandum of Agreement between State Parks and OHP and hopes that it will cover interiors of buildings as well as exteriors.

XII. COMMISSION DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Fourth Quarter Meeting Date Change

The fourth quarter Commission meeting date was changed from November 1-2 to November 8-9. Vice-Chair Moss made the motion, Commissioner Polanco seconded it. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously

B. Appointment of Archaeological Resources Committee members

Chairman Brandes read the following names into the meeting record: Donn Grenda, Trish Fernandez, Annmarie Medin, Gregg Castro, Janet Eidsness, Cassandra Hensher, Anthony Madrigal, Laura Miranda, Richard Fitzgerald, Randall Dean, Susan Hector, Cindy Stankowski, Jim Nelson, Terry Jones, Mike Newland, Mark Rudo, Susan Stratton, Gabriel Roark, Leslie Mouriquand, Kristina Roper, Adrian Praetzellis, and Charlotte Hunter.

C. California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) Electronic Fee Schedule – Jenan Saunders, Acting Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Acting Deputy SHPO Saunders presented a staff report on the proposed new electronic fee structure. Commissioner Grenda asked whether the discounted rate option would be available in exchange for digitization of data. Ms.

Saunders said it would, adding that OHP is working with the ICs on standards for data conversion. Commissioner Polanco expressed ongoing interest in analyzing why and how past fee structures were created. She said she hoped the process of developing the strategic and business plan currently underway will include that analysis. Commissioner Grenda said that the current fee structure makes the cost to purchase data covering the entire state too high in his opinion, but since the entire state isn't available electronically and this fee structure is temporary, he's accepting of it for now. Commissioner Polanco moved to approve the proposed fee structure with the caveat that it be brought back to the Commission for reconsideration at the second meeting of 2013. Vice-Chair Moss seconded the motion. **Action:** All commissioners voted for the motion save Commissioner Grenda, who abstained.

XIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Grenda asked Chairman Brandes to assign new members to the Information Center Procedural Advisory Committee as he is stepping down as chair. Chairman Brandes will serve as interim chair.

There were no other committee reports.

Commission Polanco asked that review of all committees be placed on the agenda of the next meeting.

XIV. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Vice-Chair Rick Moss said he had attended a forum on April 30 on African-American history called by Donna Graves of the California Cultural and Historical Endowment (CCHE). CCHE is looking to increase the number of sites registered in California associated with African-American history. Vice-Chair Moss suggested some specific sites during the forum, adding that themes/issues to be explored in interpreting those sites might go beyond the traditional focus of conflict and competition between races, to instead explore sources of collaboration and cooperation. He has been invited to attend CCHE's cultural summit this summer in Los Angeles.

SHPO Donaldson then mentioned that ACHP has had a forum on cultural diversity of sites accepted for the National Trust conference to be held later this year. He also noted that he and Acting Deputy SHPO Saunders would be attending CCHE's "Multiple Views" forum in San Francisco in June.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Brandes adjourned the regular meeting of the Commission at 11:35 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Milford Wayne Donaldson FAIA
State Historic Preservation Officer

Date