

FRESNO COUNTY HISTORICAL LANDMARKS & RECORDS  
ADVISORY COMMISSION

January 10, 2019

4:00 PM

Betty Rodriguez Regional Library

3040 N. Cedar

Fresno, CA 93703

## MINUTES

- Members Present:** Nick Yovino, Lou Catallo, Sue Loucks, Susan Pappas, Sharon Darnell, Nancy Enloe, David Rodriguez, Allen Carden, James Kus, Rose, Caglia, John Holihan, Pat Hunter, Janice Stevens, Kelley Landano and Randy McFarland.
- Members Absent:** Elizabeth Laval, and John Baltierra.
- Staff:** Karen Coletti
- Members of the Public:** None.

- 1) **Call to Order at 4:10 PM.**
- 2) **Welcome & Introductions.** Commission introduced themselves.
- 3) **Adoption of Agenda.**  
**Commissioner Catallo** moved to adopt agenda as is: Second: **Commissioner Pappas.**  
Passed unanimously.
- 4) **Approval of Minutes: November 8, 2018 – Commissioner Pappas** made motion to approve: Second: **Commissioner Darnell.** Passed unanimously.
- 5) **Public Comment. None.**
- 6) **Landmarks:**
  - A) **Inventory of Historic in Fresno County. (No Report)**
  - B) **Historic Places:** Inventory of Historic Properties. Commissioner Pappas provided a handout on historic sites thru 2019 for Fresno County. There are only 27 that are not presently 100 years or older. The handout provided a breakdown of Historic Landmarks, Centennial Business, Centennial Communities, Centennial Farms/Ranches, and Centennial Schools. There are 345 Fresno landmarks, 11 Ghost towns, 22 destroyed/gone and 47 not verified. There are also 6 duplicate applications. We need to work on the ones that are still there and what is actually gone. Commissioner Carden ask if we should remove the ones that are gone from the list, and Commissioner Pappas did not think that was a good idea. Commissioner Catallo also stated that on the handout that we should change under church, Christian to Religious facility.

**C) Centennial Businesses:**

i) Discussion and Necessary Action

(1) Building at 8695 Main St., San Joaquin, and Chairman Yovino has had contact with the applicants. They are having trouble locating pictures for application. Commission discussed some option for them. They received some great help from Kerman Library trying to locate information. Commissioner Pappas suggested looking in old newspapers for write-ups. The narrative on the application is great. Commissioner Rodriguez offered that they should look into the ownership documents. Chairman Yovino will get back to the applicants and tell them to bring it forward again.

D) **Centennial Communities:** None.

E) **Centennial Farms:** None.

F) **Centennial Schools:** None.

G) **Discussion of Threatened Landmarks in the County of Fresno:** None.

H) **Discussion of Potential Landmarks in the County of Fresno.** Commissioner Hunter brought up the tunnels in China Town. Chairman Yovino has knowledge of these from working at the City and has a contact person, Kathy Omachi who is very knowledgeable on them. He will work on setting up a tour and to have our March meeting in China Town at a location.

I) **Signage Committee.**

i) Discussion and Necessary Action (Pappas)

(1) Commissioner Pappas shared that she has researched signage for Historical Commissions. Commissioner Pappas reported that all of them she researched requested the applicant purchase the signage, it was expensive and they are responsible for the upkeep and installation. The Commission discussed these findings and decided they are going to have subcommittee work on more defined guidelines. They feel that it needs to be on the application at the beginning and it could be generic, customizing costs. Kelley spoke on getting a written policy to start with and she will also check how long our pricing is good through County Graphics. The subcommittee working on this will be Commissioners Stevens, Hunter, Loucks and McFarland.

J) **Media Releases.** None as of now, Commissioner McFarland did say that the signage would be a great one to start with.

K) **Website.** Commissioner Pappas gave handouts out and presented a power point of the new site. It will need the County Logo and CAO approval. The subcommittee have scheduled a meeting with the CAO and Kelley on January 24<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Stevens would like a hard copy of PowerPoint to go thru at next meeting. Commissioner Pappas presented the package they were looking at. It is the Unlimited at \$14.00 a month which comes out to \$168.00 a year and provides a free domain name. They may change it at any time.

**7) Reports and Administrative Items.**

**A) Chairman's Report**

i) Discussion and Necessary Action (Yovino)

- (1) Discussed vacancies and who still needs to be reappointed.

**B) Secretary's Report – Discussion and Necessary Action. (Landano)**

- (1) Everyone is in good attendance.
- (2) Roster will be updated to reflect renewal dates by next meeting in March.
- (3) Kelley gave update from County Counsel on the applications and renewal. You do not have to continue to serve until you are replaced, but you may serve until you are reappointed.
- (4) Deadline dates for Agenda were discussed and copy of dates were provided in packets.

**C) New Business – None.**

**8) Commission Reports – None.**

**9) Adjournment: 6:00 PM Motion to Adjourn Commissioner McFarland: Second: Commissioner Stevens.**

<b>Future Meetings</b>		
March 14 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 PM	China Town with tour or Betty Rodriguez Regional Library
May 9 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 PM	TBD
September 12 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 PM	TBD
November 14 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 PM	TBD

<b>Reoccurring Agenda Items</b>	
Building at 8695 Main St., San Joaquin	Chairman Yovino
Website	Commissioner Pappas