

PLACENTIA HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

August 27, 2019

Attendees: Jan Henderson, Larry de Graaf, Kathy Frazee, John Walcek, Wendy Elliott, John Adger; Andrew Gonzales, city rep; Michelle Meades, library; Lisa Quental

Absent: Martin Chavez, John Bushman

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes	Not available, bogged down in transmission.	
Correspondence/announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew distributed the OCHS newsletter by email. • The <i>Preservation</i> magazine cover story is written about the Cincinnati Union Terminal train station restoration. • <u>Monthly Minutes Process Duty</u>: Kathy will create a factual file and send it to a second committee member for proof reading, additions and corrections. Each Committee member will be assigned their turn alphabetically. John Adger will be first in the line up. The corrected minutes will then be forwarded to Andrew prior to the next meeting with copies to Jan and Kathy. • Jan wondered why we were not included at the dedication ceremony for the Atwood mural. Andrew said "it was just a matter of lack of information due to staff work overload". Since the property belongs to the County permission to repaint was quickly granted. There had been a lapse of communication by the county work crew and the mural was white washed so the process to correct the situation was expedited. It is believed that all three local barrio gangs respect the sanctity of the wall and do not mark the artwork. • Jan asked about construction of apartments on north side of Crowther near the depot. Andrew believes the development company is coordinating with OCTA to make sure the train depot platform will merge smoothly with the OCTA's construction. Parking for the depot will be on north side of the tracks. Parking structure construction will begin 2020. The OCTA's leadership has changed but the plans are still continuing forward. • The Navigation Center relocation project is moving forward with adaptive reuse of the building. Discussion of settlement agreement with other north county cities will follow. 	
Accounts report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operating funds covered cost of committee name tags with sale of one afghan and license plate holders: \$1709.00 • Program Funds remain \$1,408.91. 	
New business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	

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<p>Ongoing project/ Old business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Heritage Festival</u>: The idea of a Water Tower float in the Heritage Festival was cancelled. Committee sentiment felt that our group presence should be promoted through a decorated car driven in the parade. Jan has a friend who owns a convertible car. Kathy would contact Martin C. and Janna Wade to see if their kids would help represent the Historical Committee and ride in the car. Lisa volunteered to ride if needed.– We have submitted our application for the booth. City will provide table and chairs. Jan will submit the form for the parade. –It was suggested that bottled water be sold and free candy be used to attract walk up visitors to the booth. John A. will donate the water bottles. • <u>The Pamphlet and Plaque subcommittee</u> reviewed the proposed General Plan . They decided to delay further action until the plan is finalized and the city’s role in preservation is confirmed. They will re-assemble at a later date to decide if any action or modifications are required. • A local resident, Theresa Guerrero, guided the subcommittee on a tour of the area between Orange Grove Ave. and Orchid Dr. across from Valencia High School and pointed out various locations of interest. They also went downtown to the Santa Fe Street area. She pointed out that a house recently re-doing windows had received direction from the city regarding design and material. Also another Placentia resident had exterior siding approved by the city. Though our site survey is not registered at the State level there are 30 structures with local historical significance designation which affords some protection. Since Federal recognition is easier to get than State approval, Wendy suggested we go that route first to protect our structures. Andrew said that is what is being done with the Water Tower. Wendy volunteered to be involved in that process. • Jan also reported that the subcommittee was able to tour the house used as the community center in the Hacienda Mobile Home Park located on Orangethorpe Ave. The house will be 100 years old this year. Lisa has some good pictures of the house. It was owned by the Herman and Phyllis Ranney family. More houses in the city will be centenarians in the coming years. How should we recognize them? • The subcommittee will be busy with the topic of recognition and identification. It was suggested that other committee members be assigned specific tasks to help the project. 	<p>City of Orange puts a sign in the yard of homes that are 100. We might do a Did You Know feature or similar recognition to keep the committee in the conscience of local residents.</p>
<p>City updates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee appointment will go to City Council probably at the second meeting in September. Lisa will become officially a member of the Historical Committee. • The Crowther Avenue homeless encampment is being cleaned up under the direction of Judge Carter and legal counsel. Debris removal, power washing, and delineation of a passage way for disabled have been successfully completed. The homeless are to remain behind this line when they return and they cannot be on the slope. • The Navigation Center for relocation is to open in March. 2020. 	
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>Adjourned at 6:58 p.m.</p>	