# Historic Preservation Advisory Board October 4, 2017 Meeting Minutes - DRAFT



#### Date/Time

Wednesday, August 2, 2017, 5:34 PM

### Location

Fuller Lodge, Throne Room 2132 Central Avenue, Los Alamos, NM 87544

### **Board Members**

- Mark Rayburn, (Chair), Present
- Leslie Linke, (Co-Chair), Present
- Patrick Moore, **Present**
- Jorge Maldonado, Absent

### Staff Present

- Kevin Powers, Associate County Attorney
- Barbara Lai, Senior Management Analyst
- Tamara Baer, Planning Manager
- Anita Barela.

#### I. Administrative Actions

- A. Call to Order/Introductions
  As a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm.
- B. Approval of Today's Agenda Approved as presented.
- C. Public Comment/Public Hearings

Barbara Lai reported that the Oppenheimer and Grove Statue project is still scheduled for October, weather permitting. The rehabilitation plan for the ground work remains as presented to the Board, which includes the steel border. The Ancestral Pueblo work is completed and the Board complimented the Parks department on the completed project.

D. Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes
 The minutes from the August 2, 2017 meeting were approved.

# II. Historic Preservation Business (Items for Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Chairman's Report

As the HPAB representative to the Tourism Work Group, Vice-Chair Linke reported on the community meeting results covering the Tourism Strategic Plan.

The Design Workshop consultant reported that feedback shows there is strong support for increasing tourism in the County. The 20-member

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working group acknowledged that the lack of housing and parking will be a problem. The NM State Tourism office reported a 14% increase over 2016 of visitors to the State of New Mexico. The consultant reported that 200,000 people visited Bandelier, but only 50,000 of the tourists came to Los Alamos.

The topics discussed at the meeting included increasing the availability of lodging, adding more restaurants, and enhancing the community to entice additional visitors to Los Alamos. The consultants followed up with a community survey that received over 200 responses.

The consultant passed out the draft document for developing four strategic direction category titles. Within each of the four categories, strategies and tasks were included in the document. Ms. Linke gave the document to Ms. Lai and she will email it to all members for review and comment.

The final plan will be presented to Council about mid-January.

## III. Staff Reports

Ms. Baer presented and discussed the basic elements of the Historic Preservation Ordinance and answered Ordinance questions from the Board members. Ms. Baer stated that there are two major parts of the Ordinance – the first part of the Ordinance explains how to designate an historic landmark and historic district and the process to apply for designation.

Ms. Baer went on to explain the different sections of the Ordinance. She stated that the *Purpose* section of the Ordinance is very important because it serves as the basis for the rest of the Ordinance.

Ms. Baer pointed out that the County Ordinance criteria treats a landmark and historic district as the same. The County Ordinance designation for a landmark and historic district is not in line with the national and State standards. She stated that this is a possible revision that the Board might want to consider. Chair Rayburn agreed as did Member Moore.

The second major part of the Ordinance explains the alteration certificate and how a property owner may apply for one.

The full video and audio of the Historic Preservation Ordinance discussion may be found at:

http://losalamos.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view\_id=2&clip\_id=1306.

Click on the agenda item (1) 9936-17 Historic Preservation Ordinance Discussion.

#### IV. Informational Items

No informational items to report.

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#### V. Public Comment

Nancy Bartlit commented that she served on the HPAB for ten years and has historic studies that may be of interest to the Board. Ms. Lai accepted the reports and will keep them in the office and make them available as a resource to the staff and the public.

## VI. Next Meeting(s)/Future Agenda Items

The next meeting is scheduled for November 1, 2017. The location of the meeting will be determined in the next few weeks.

## VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 pm.

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