

# Kentfield Planning Advisory Board

P.O. Box 304, Kentfield, California 94914

Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays, 7:30 PM, College of Marin Deedy Lounge

## Minutes of January 8, 2014

Anne Petersen called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in Deedy Lounge at the College of Marin. Other members present: Alan Derwin, Sandy Guldman, Dale Hansen, Pam Scott.

**November 13, 2013 Minutes:** M/S (Sandy/Dale) and unanimously approved as prepared.

Juhl Design Review, 225 Poplar Drive (Greeley)

(Guest for project: Henry Taylor, architect)

Mr. Taylor reviewed the proposed construction including 749 square feet in additions to an existing 3,532 square foot residence, along with some exterior changes. A major goal of the first floor addition is to create a family room, with a small increase in the second floor and a deck overlooking the courtyard. The FAR (floor area ratio) for the 14,700 square foot lot would be 26.4 percent and the color and materials of the existing residence would be matched.

**Recommendation.** It was M/S (Dale/Sandy) and unanimously approved to recommend approval of the 225 Poplar Drive design review application as it was submitted.

KPAB members recommended that neighbors should be alerted about the planned work. The noticing about KPAB meetings normally mailed out by CDA does not appear to have been done for this meeting – Mr. Taylor said his client has notified several neighbors about the remodeling.

**Business Signage and Recommendation.** Anne reported receiving copies of five letters code enforcement specialist Gerry Morena sent to Kentfield businesses, regarding portable signs they had placed in the right-of-way. These notices are very helpful; they did not, however, address any other issue that might be out of compliance with county sign standards, such as number of signs, area of the building that is covered, etc. and the board recommends that this be done.

**College of Marin. *Measure C Progress.*** The college has scheduled a community meeting for Monday, January 13 to report on building progress financed by the Measure C bond program. A communication from President Wain Coon stated that “With the impending completion of the program, a final bond spending plan needs to be developed...” and there are limited available funds remaining and a long list of competing needs. Anne reported that a major decision has to be made about whether to demolish or repurpose the old Austin Science Center, which is no longer seismically compliant or functionally useful. The EIR for the bond program may need to be updated. ***Campus Portables.*** Relocation of portable buildings that are currently used by County Sheriff’s staff and the school’s nursing program is likely to be considered. KPAB members agreed that both these services should be retained on the campus, but that the community also values an attractive campus and the portables in their current location are not particularly attractive. ***SFD/Maple Avenue Bus Stop.*** The stop is far enough away from a crosswalk that alighting passengers don’t walk to a crosswalk to cross SFD, creating a safety issue. Marin Transit may move the stop to get it closer to a designated crosswalk.

Adjourned at 8:30 PM

Minutes: Ann Thomas