

Kentfield Planning Advisory Board

P.O. Box 304, Kentfield, California 94914

Minutes of May 27, 2015

Anne Petersen called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the COM Student Union Deedy Lounge. Other board members present: Dale Hansen, Neil Park, Pam Scott, Stuart Tanenberg (COM Liaison). Also, Bitsa Freeman, KWPOA; Joe Cilla,; Mary Buttarro; Michael Erskine (project applicant).

Minutes of April 22, 2015. Unanimously approved as submitted.

Hendrickson Tree Removal, 141 Laurel Grove Avenue (Taylor)

Mr. Erskine, project landscape architect, distributed photos of the tree at issue and briefly described the project. The application is a permit request to remove a California Valley Oak, which qualifies as a heritage tree under the Tree Protection Ordinance, from the rear yard. He said he believes the tree could be hazardous in the future. Board members noted the photo shows ivy growing up the tree, indicating it may not have been cared for, and suggested that an effort be made to comply with the Ordinance and see if the tree's health could be improved.

Recommendation. Obtain an arborist's report including an assessment's of the tree's health and what measures could be taken to save it.

College of Marin. Stuart gave a brief report including the following COM summer campus plans, including the following: 1) Personnel will begin moving into the new Academic Center on May 30. 2) Austin Science Center will be razed and its debris removed. 3) The Learning Center will have seismic upgrades. 4) Fusselman Hall will be closed for window retrofit. 5) At the pool, the deck will be enlarged and a shade structure added. 6) The County Sheriff's portable will be moved on site but the Sheriff is remaining on campus. 7) COM has been recipient of a grant for a pilot program to install and test a new Tesla battery-based energy) storage system which would store energy from the grid or from solar panels and help manage peak energy demand.

Design Review Workshop: CDA Current Planning Manager Jeremy Tejirian

The majority of the meeting was a short training session including a basic overview of the County's planning and permitting process and the function that design review or planning advisory boards fulfill. He spoke about:

- 1) The relationship between the County's various policy documents and codes, such as the Countywide Plan, community plans, and the Development Code.
- 2) Procedures for reviewing planning applications.
- 3) Roles and responsibilities of people and departments in the process.

Adjourned at 9:15 PM

Minutes: Ann Thomas