# Architectural Review Board of the

# Julian Historic District

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#### **MEETING MINUTES**

Date: Tuesday, November 1, 2022 Scheduled Meeting Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Witch Creek School

2188 4th Street

Julian, California (Julian Historical Society Building)

I. Roll Call – Chair Romano called the meeting to order 7:01 p.m. and noted that all members except Board Member Shorey were present

II. Approval of Agenda – It was Moved by Fares, Seconded by Brown, that the Agenda be approved.

#### MOTION PASSED UNANMOUSLY

III. Approval of previous meeting's minutes.

There were no minutes available to approve.

- IV. Public comment for items not on the Agenda.
  - a. Ian Snyder spoke to the Board to let the Board know that his mother, Virginia Files, is interested in serving as a representative from the Chamber of Commerce.
  - b. Tiffany Bagalini, indicated that she was observing on behalf of David Shorey
- V. New Business Action Items
  - A. REORDER OF AGENDA: It was Moved by Steutel, Seconded by Zerbe that Item V. c. be moved to 5.a. and the agenda items follow subsequently as ordered on the agenda.

#### MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

B. JULIAN HERITAGE SQUARE. Plan Review.

Jean Duffy from the Julian Community Heritage Foundation spoke regarding the Town Square project and distributed a letter to the Board regarding the comments the Board had made in a letter sent to the Foundation. Ms. Duffy indicated that much of what was on the plan are future developments and because of the current condition of the land may not be feasible for some time. She indicated that the current designation of the area is as a passive park. She indicated that phase one is the donor wall, benches, tables, and planters.

Chair Romano indicated that Foundation could bring a phase one plan for approval and return for a subsequent phase two plan.

Board Member Fares indicated that doing a phase one and phase two could add additional time and complication to the approval process.

Board Member Steutel stated that he felt that phase one would need to be completed prior to phase two beginning.

Board Member Brown indicated that he'd prefer to see all items on the site plan.

Ms. Duffy indicated that including all items would be problematic because of the limitations that currently exist on the land.

Board Member Steutel indicated that the donor sign could be considered a sign and could be approved by the Board.

Board Member Brown indicated that site plans are expensive and a long-time commitment in the county process. He suggested the idea of the presentation of the full project to the board for approval and requesting that the Board to waive a site plan requirement.

Board Member Fares indicated that such a waiver would be very beneficial given potential prior use of the site.

Ms. Duffy indicated that she would like to seek review and approval of the donor wall.

The Donor wall design was reviewed. It was brought up that a similarly designed sign at the school was previously approved. Chair Romano indicated that the school sign was not under of the jurisdiction of the ARB because it is school district property.

Board Member Steutel indicated that he doesn't feel the sign fits the design guidelines.

Board Member Zerbe expressed a concern regarding the use of ceramic tiles.

Ms. Duffy indicated that that it will be brick and not ceramic tiles and that the color scheme would be mottled and of an earthy scheme.

Board Member Fares indicted that he would prefer a straight side of the sign instead of curved. He asked how the names would be colored on the bricks.

Board Member Brown asked how the names will be attached.

Ms. Duffy indicated that the names will be etched.

Board Member Brown asked what would be on the spaces that are not etched.

Ms. Duffy indicated that they would just be plain brick.

Ms. Duffy asked if the Board could consider the benches and tables.

Ms. Duffy indicated that the benches are concrete that simulate wood.

Board Member Fares expressed that he'd prefer the benches to be wood.

Board Member Zerbe expressed interest in a compromise in having a picnic table that is of a durable material as long as it looks like a traditional picnic table.

Board Member Brown indicated that over time the concrete may loose its finish.

Board Member Zerbe indicated that there could be stained concrete.

Chair Romano asked the applicants to return to the next meeting for further discussion.

## NO ACTION TAKEN

C. JULIAN TEA HOUSE. 2124 Third Street; APN: 291-084-05 Notice to Owner of violations. Update.

The applicants were not present

#### NO ACTION TAKEN

D. TRAILER PARK, 2ND Street, APN: 291-084-29 Retaining Wall Violation. Update.

The applicants were not present and have not responded to the Board's letter

It was Moved by Steutel, Seconded by Brown that the violations listed in the previous letter of the Board be submitted to Code Enforcement for action.

# E. JULIAN HOTEL. Lights

It was agreed by consensus to ask the property owner to come discuss the lighting of concern.

## VI. Old Business.

A. Update on County Enforcement.

Chair Romano will contact Sherry about contacts with the County Code Enforcement.

Board Member Fares presented some items not in compliance with Design Guidelines:

- (1) A tank installed next to the Post Office that has writing with a non compliant font.
- (2) A satellite dish installed above Mountain Market liquor.
- (3) A flag on a barn on Payson.

Board Member Zerbe presented some lighting issues:

(1) A light at the rear of the Julian Cider Mill.

- (2) Romano's sign lights
- (3) Lights on the front of the Julian Café.

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B. Julian Historic District Signs

Board Zerbe indicated that the new signs for the historic district will be unveiled soon.

Board Member Brown expressed concern regarding exceptions given to items outside of the designated historical timeframe of the Guidelines.

C. Board Committee Updates.

No report

D. Board Member Projects.

No Report

E. Brown Act update.

No report

VII. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Board, Chair Romano Adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David R. Shorey

Secretary