

CITY OF MERCED
DESIGN REVIEW BOARD/
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
678 WEST 18TH STREET
MERCED, CALIFORNIA

WEDNESDAY
June 15, 2011

Chairperson LOPES called the meeting of the Design Review Board and Historic Preservation Commission to order at 4:00 p.m.

(B) ROLL CALL

Present: Walter Lopes (Chairperson)
 Harlan Dake
 Carole Luhring
 John Hofmann
 Jack Lemen (Vice-Chairperson)

Absent: None (two vacancies)

Staff Present: Kim Nutt, Planning Technician/Recording Secretary
 Maria Mendoza, Redevelopment Technician
 John Sagin, Senior Architect

(C) ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

(D) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/S LUHRING/DAKE, and carried by unanimous voice vote (two vacancies), to approve the Minutes of May 11, 2011, as submitted.

(E) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

There were no persons in the audience wishing to speak on any matter which was not listed on the agenda.

(F) DESIGN REVIEW ITEMS

1. DR# 11-02 - Request from the City of Merced Redevelopment Agency for the Commission's input regarding preferred works of art that have been submitted for the G Street Undercrossing Roadway and Pedestrian Art Panels (no formal action required).

Planning Technician NUTT introduced the item and introduced Maria MENDOZA, Redevelopment Agency staff, to give further details on the project and explain the task requested of them.

John SAGIN, Senior Architect, answered questions from the Commissioners regarding durability of materials.

The Commissioners were given some time to view the submitted artwork away from the dais in order to choose their favorites and then were asked to submit their individual choices.

As there is not yet high-speed rail in Merced, Chairperson LOPES asked that there not be a high speed rail train depicted on the piece that he preferred (if it is eventually chosen), and Commissioner HOFMANN suggested that the artist could replace it with an 1870's-era train instead.

As there was no vote required (project is outside the DRC's jurisdictional boundary), there was no formal vote taken. Ms. MENDOZA stated that the project is scheduled for the July 5, 2011, City Council meeting.

(G) HISTORIC PRESERVATION ITEMS

There were no Historic Preservation items to report on at this time.

(H) INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Newsletter - Redevelopment Update: May 2011

There was no discussion regarding this item.

2. Upcoming projects/applications (discussion with staff)

Ms. NUTT reviewed pending applications, indicating that there have been no applications received for the next scheduled meeting. She added that there may be a meeting to hold the Election of Officers.

(I) ADJOURNMENT

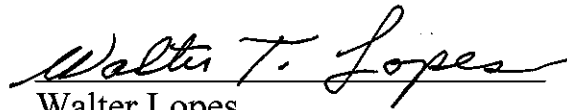
There being no further business, Chairperson LOPES adjourned the meeting at 4:47 p.m.

Prepared by:

Approved by:



Kimberly Nutt
Recording Secretary



Walter Lopes
Chairperson