

Minutes of the Historic Districts Review Board
Special Meeting
April 29, 2024
5:30PM

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Call to Order

Chair Rios called the special meeting of the HDRB to order at 5:30 pm.

1. Roll Call

Roll Call indicated the presence of a quorum.

Members Present

Ms. Cecilia Rios, Chair
Ms. Madeline Aguilar Medrano
Mr. John Bienvenu
Mr. David Baldo
Ms. Jennifer Biedscheid

Members Absent

Mr. Anthony Guida, Vice Chair
Ms. Amanda Mather

Others Present

Ms. Heather Lamboy, Assistant Planning and Land Use Director
Mr. Gary Moquino, Historic Preservation Division Manager
Mr. Frank Ruybalid, Assistant City Attorney
Ms. Amanda Romero, Planner
Mr. Frank Katz, former HDRB member

2. Approval of Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

3. Appointments

a. A vote to appoint two Historic Districts Review Board representatives to a joint State-Local Government Historic Review Board, in accordance with NMSA 1978, Section 3-22-6(G)(1)(d), to decide disputed issues over the denial of applications to demolish contributing historic structures at 402 Don Gaspar Ave., 406 Don Gaspar Ave., 410 Don Gaspar Ave., and 414 Don Gaspar Ave.

Chair Rios began by stating that the special meeting was being held to appoint two HDRB members to a joint State-Local Government Historic Board to resolve a dispute over the

denial of the applications to demolish four contributing historic structures in the Downtown and Eastside Historic District: 402 Don Gaspar Avenue; 406 Don Gaspar Avenue; 410 Don Gaspar Avenue; and 414 Don Gaspar Avenue. She said that the HDRB had made the decision to deny demolition of the four casitas but had approve demolition of the Concha Ortiz y Pino building.

Chair Rios asked Ms. Lamboy if the appointees needed to be HDRB members.

Ms. Lamboy replied saying that one member must be from the agency or other entity that reviews projects within the area zoned as a historic district; one member by the agency or entity of the municipality that is concerned with historic preservation. Staff recommended that the person be from the Board as the Board decision is being defended. She stated that Chair Rios was appointed by Mayor Webber to represent the Governing Body. One member of the special board is appointed by the Secretary of General Services; one is appointed by the governing body of the municipality or county, which is you Chair Rios, and then one public member appointed by the two other public members. Chair Rios is meeting with Francisco Ravina [Cultural Properties Review Committee member] to discuss one of the appointees to the special board.

Chair Rios called for nominations from the Board.

Member Baldo nominated John Bienvenu and from Old Santa Fe Association, John Eddy. Madam Aguilar Medrano seconded the motion.

The Board took a moment to discuss who should represent the Board: those that voted to deny the demolition or to include members that voted for the demolition. It was decided that individuals that voted to deny the demolition were most appropriate as a majority of the Board voted to deny the demolition.

Member Bienvenu asked that Member Biedscheid be nominated in his place and that it be her and Mr. Eddy that represent the Board.

Member Baldo accepted to withdraw his motion.

Member Aguilar Medrano moved to appoint Member Biedscheid and Mr. Eddy. The motion was seconded by Member Baldo. The vote passed unanimously.

a. Next Meeting
May 14, 2024.

b. Adjournment
Chair Rios adjourned the special meeting at approximately 6pm.

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Cecilia Rios, Historic Districts Review Board Chair

Date