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**HISTORIC NEW SMYRNA BEACH
PRESERVATION COMMISSION (HPC)
MINUTES
JANUARY 11, 2012
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
210 SAMS AVENUE, NEW SMYRNA BEACH, FLORIDA**

8 Chair Ronald Sayyah called the January 11, 2012 meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

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10 Answering to roll call:
11 Ronald Sayyah – Chair
12 Jean Mayo
13 Virginia Schow
14 Carol Edelberg
15 NoraJane Gillespie
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17 Nancy Ryan, Vice-Chair arrived at 5:32 p.m. Also present were staff members Gail
18 Henrikson, Planning Manager, Kevin Jameson, Planner, Jeff Gove, Planner, and Dot
19 Moore.

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21 **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

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23 Motion by NoraJane Gillespie to nominate Ron Sayyah as Chair and Nancy Ryan as
24 Vice-Chair, seconded by Carol Edelberg. Motion passed on a roll call vote, 4-1, with
25 Ron Sayyah dissenting.

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27 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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29 **Motion by NoraJane Gillespie, seconded by Virginia Schow, to approve the**
30 **minutes of the November 9, 2011 meeting. Motion passed unanimously on a**
31 **roll call vote, 5-0.**

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33 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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35 In accordance with the City Commission Resolution #11-89, a three-minute limitation
36 is in effect unless otherwise granted by the HPC.

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38 Dot Moore, 4725 Lingo Grove Road, Edgewater, addressed the Board. She
39 informed the Board that the State has asked the New Smyrna Beach for assistance
40 in creating a display on colonial Florida.

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42 Ms. Moore updated the board on the Mary Avenue streetscape project. She stated
43 that the report was completed and that artifacts found on the site would be going on
44 display at the museum the following week.

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46 Ms. Moore asked staff about a building permit that had been issued for work at the
47 hospital. She asked if that was for a new building or work on an existing building.
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49 Ms. Henrikson stated that she was not aware of the permit but, that should would
50 look up the permit and let Ms. Moore know what work was proposed.

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52 Ms. Moore discussed the upcoming seawall project in Riverside Park. She stated
53 that this area mainly consists of fill that was brought in the early 1940s.

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55 Ms. Moore also discussed the Washington Street streetscape project. She stated
56 that there was the potential for many artifacts to be found in this area.

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58 **RECOMMENDATION – LANDMARK DESIGNATION FOR 533 WASHINGTON**
59 **STREET**

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61 Ms. Henrikson addressed the Board, reviewed staff's findings and stated that staff
62 recommended the Board recommend the City Commission approve the landmark
63 designation request.

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65 Ms. Gillespie stated that she had visited the site and that the building looks as if it
66 should be demolished. Ms. Gillespie asked whether the later additions to the
67 building would be kept.

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69 Ms. Henrikson stated that she had not yet reviewed any plans for the building so she
70 was not sure whether the additions would be kept.

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72 Ms. Gillespie also asked about the addresses on the building versus the addresses
73 in the staff report.

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75 There was general discussion by the Board about the advantages to the City to
76 designate this building as a local landmark.

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78 There was general discussion by the Board regarding the various Community
79 Redevelopment Agency (CRA) grants available.

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81 **Motion by Jean Mayo, seconded by Nancy Ryan, to recommend the City**
82 **Commission approve the designation of 533 Washington Street as a local**
83 **landmark. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote, 6-0.**

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85 **RECOMMENDATION – DEMOLITION BY NEGLECT ORDINANCE**

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87 Mr. Jameson addressed the Board, reviewed staff's findings and stated that the staff
88 recommended the Board recommend the City Commission approve the ordinance.

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90 Ms. Ryan asked about the costs associated with placing a lien on the property. She
91 stated that her concern was that the administrative costs would place an additional
92 burden on already cash-strapped property owners.

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94 There was general discussion about the possible fees and their impact on the
95 program.

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Motion by NoraJane Gillespie, seconded by Jean Mayo, to recommend the City Commission approve the demolition by neglect ordinance. The motion to recommend approval included a revision to page 17 of the document. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote, 6-0.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS AND CITY STAFF

Ms. Gillespie informed the Board that the Smyrna Yacht Club would not be applying for a historic preservation award in 2012.

There was discussion by the Board and staff as to the lack of nominations received. Ms. Henrikson stated that staff had delivered applications to several locations, including the library, businesses on Canal Street and Flagler Avenue and the Board of Realtors. The consensus was to extend the deadline to January 31, 2012.

Ms. Henrikson introduced Jeff Gove, the City's newest planner, to the Board.

Ms. Henrikson asked the Board for possible endangered sites to nominate to the Florida Trust for Historic Preservation. It was suggested that the properties owned by Mrs. Ford on Pioneer Trail/Otter Boulevard be nominated. The church at the northeast corner of Washington Street and Dimmick Street was also recommended.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.