# East Sacramento Improvement Association Minutes of the February 12, 2018 Board Meeting

Alhambra Room, Clunie Clubhouse

<u>Attending</u>: Rich Clowdus, Tom Griffith, Brian Holloway, Karen Koch, Nick Kufasimes, Chris Little, Kathy Mannion, Ann Murphy, Paul Noble, Tricia Stevens

Absent: Paul Noble

Vice President Nick Kufasimes called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

### Guest Presentations – Invited Guests and ESIA members welcome

1. Councilman Harris presented ESIA a check for \$1,000. He explained that each councilmember is given \$400,000/year to operate their district office. He's kept his expenses below that figure; this has allowed him to give each neighborhood group \$1,000 and every scout, little league, etc. \$500 this year. He recapped the McKinley Park vault project, which is on schedule.

### **Business Session - ESIA members welcome**

- 1. Minutes of the last meeting, January 8, 2018, were reviewed and unanimously approved, motion by Kyle, second by Tom.
- 2. Treasurer's Report. Brian provided a 2018 year-to-date report; income was nominal, the only expense web-related. Ending account balances at February 12<sup>th</sup> were:

Checking	\$ 4,645.63
Savings	\$ 9,835.47
CD	\$ 11,606.29
Total	\$ 26,087.39

Rich moved, Chris seconded - unanimously approved.

- 3. Report from Land Use Subcommittee. Tricia reported she checked the city's planning calendar and is fairly confident we are being notified of appropriate projects. An owner planned a secondary dwelling unit (above garage) that deviated from setback guidelines; it was approved by the Design Director. A neighbor appealed to the Planning Commission to whom we sent our letter of no opinion. The Commission approved the project with several modifications. We were notified of a proposed second hotel planned for near the newly-opened Hampton Inn. Land Use will follow its progress.
- 4. Report on ESIA Website. Rich stated the website is up-to-date. Nick noted that his name is misspelled in the 'Contact Us' section and Kyle asked that his bio be updated with the birth of their second child (both changes now completed).
- 5. Subcommittee reports: Membership presented their recommendations to clarify the subcommittee's role and the overall process in identifying potential board members and

those interested in serving as Officers. They also recommended changes to the online membership form such that it better mirrors the 'paper' membership form. Chris suggested that a quick line be added to the 'Our Board' page on the website asking interested members to contact us if they would like to join the board (added to website). Bullet point 2. of the recommendations for new board members is to include prospective as well as active members. Tricia motioned and Kyle seconded approval of the recommendations, with the above changes. Unanimously approved. Community Amenities – in the process of putting together a list of questions to discuss with Cecily Hastings. Neighborhood Safety – Rich updated the board on his discussion with the city's East Sac Traffic Investigator. She indicated that, to date, there have been no reports of traffic problems associated with the new 40<sup>th</sup> St. underpass into McKinley Village. She's looking into a neighbor's request for a school crosswalk at San Miguel and D Streets, near Theodore Judah. This type of project will not involve neighbor notification or public input; after investigating the location's accident history, among other things, she'd make her recommendation to the city's traffic engineers. Finally, the crosswalks at 37<sup>th</sup> and 38<sup>th</sup> Streets (and J St.) were discussed. The city feels that both locations are quite visible to oncoming cars. The retailers on the southern side of J Street just east of the 38<sup>th</sup> St. crosswalk are reluctant to give up any more parking spaces. That crosswalk has a stanchion mounted on a cement island mid-street. It keeps getting run into by trucks (delivery) – the city is experimenting with larger flexible signage that won't be so easily damaged.

# Executive Session – ESIA board members only

## **Old Business**

- 1. ESIA board social meeting will be held on March 19th at Tricia's house, a BYO potluck. The regular March board meeting will also be held on Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at Clunie Clubhouse.
- 2. Finalize speakers for Spring general meeting D.A. Anne Schubert and councilperson Jeff Harris. Tricia will reach out to Ryan Loofbourrow of Sacramento Steps Forward, a non-profit homeless outreach organization.
- 3. Spring Newsletter Kyle will include a pic of us accepting the \$1,000 donation from councilman Harris. Tricia will pen an article about the secondary dwelling unit, to illustrate how we are keeping tabs on neighborhood building activity. Kyle will provide content about the "Lady Bird' movie, filmed in large part in East Sac.
- 4. Logo-wear Ann has a West Sac connection that will inexpensively digitize our logo; she will bring it on several fabrics for our review at our next meeting.

## **New Business**

1. Membership Sub-Committee recommendations – see above, adopted substantially as presented.

2. Board vacancy – Secretary Rich Clowdus will be moving out of East Sac later in February and can no longer serve on the board or in an officer capacity. Tricia volunteered to be assume Secretarial duties while Kathy has agreed to serve as our webmaster. Motion to accept Rich's leaving the board and accepting both persons in these capacities by Nick, seconded by Chris and unanimously approved. Rich will help transition both Tricia and Kathy to their new duties in the coming month.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm. By out-going Secretary Rich Clowdus