

Altadena Town Council
Community Standards Committee

Minutes: April 22, 2014

1. **Members Present:** Don Kirkland, Ed Meyers, Jim Osterling, Mark Goldschmidt, Marge Nichols, Brianna Menke and David McDonald, Regional Planning. Steve Zeider, observer. Absent: Daniel Harlow, George Jenkins Meredith Miller, and Jonathan Potter.
2. **Minutes:** MSC to approve minutes of April 8 meeting as written.
3. **Reports:** Brianna Menke reported that she will be leaving her job and introduced her replacement, David McDonald, who will be the Planning Department liaison for our committee.

Marge Nichols reported on the Neighbors Building a Better Community (NBBA) April 12 meeting to present results of the recent Walkability Survey and distributed copies of the report. The committee encouraged ongoing communication on progress in the effort to coordinate community improvements with other organizations such as ACONA, Altadena Heritage and Chamber of Commerce.

4. **Future Meeting Dates:** Meeting dates through September 2014 were established, planning around summer holidays.
 - May 6, May 20
 - June 10, June 24
 - July 8, July 22
 - August 12, August 26
 - September 9, September 23
5. **Old Business:** Jim Osterling is keeping detailed notes on draft recommendations on commercial issues, which were the topic of most of the remainder of the meeting. Discussion was focused on sidewalk and building signs.
6. **New Business:** There was a discussion of the issue of temporary fences around construction areas, with a focus on the Lake and Calaveras “crater” which has been vacant for more than 10 years and is widely considered unsightly due to a ragged and deteriorating fence. David McDonald will investigate penalties for owners who do not maintain fencing. The committee feels that more should be done to address the issues posed by this large, long-vacant lot.

7. **Public Comment:** Steve Zeider requested clarification about recommendations to date on sidewalk signs.
8. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:35.