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SUMMARY MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE OF THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS FOR JANUARY 7, 2004, HELD IN TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 110 E MAIN STREET, LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA.

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 P.M. by Chair Pacheco.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Kelly Blough, Jeanne Drexel, Len Pacheco and Joanne Talesfore
Absent: Susan Burnett
Staff Present: Sandy Baily, Associate Planner

ITEM 1: **146 Tait Avenue**

The Committee considered revised plans to add onto the first floor of a residence and to modify an existing accessory structure in the Almond Grove Historic District. The applicant stated at this time, the owner did not want to proceed with the Minor Residential Development Application for the accessory structure and the plans were modified to improve the existing structure. Blough moved to approve the application with the revised plans and the following conditions:

1. Siding material shall be real wood, not a composite, laminated or fabricated wood product.
2. All windows and doors shall be wood. No snap in grids or grids inside the windows are permitted. Simulated wood grids are acceptable (ie: one glass pack with grids applied by manufacturer to inside, outside and between glass), to read as a true divided lite window. Vinyl and aluminum clad windows are not permitted.
3. All window trim, window finish detail, corner boards, soffits, eaves, millwork and any other detail shall match existing.

Talesfore seconded, motion passed unanimously. Appeal rights were recited.

ITEM 2: **59 CHESTER STREET**

The Committee considered a request to remove the pre-1941 residence from the Historic Resources Inventory. Pacheco moved to have the house removed from the inventory for the following reasons:

1. There is nothing left of the original structure.
2. The house has no historic architectural style.

Drexel seconded, motion passed unanimously. Appeal rights were recited.

ITEM 3: **OTHER BUSINESS**

- a. 59 Chester Street - Not heard since the Committee determined the house was not historic.
- b. 228 Bachman Ave - The Committee discussed the possibility of demolishing this house which is located in the Almond Grove Historic District. Although the structural report did not justify a demolition, the Committee felt that the house had unsympathetic additions and that the siding most likely was not original. Therefore, the Committee stated that a demolition may be possible. The Committee recommended that the replacement structure not be Mediterranean and that the second story be recessed. Baily stated that the demolition would also need to be reviewed by the Community Development Department to determine whether or not a demolition was justified.
- c. 312 Bachman Ave - The Committee considered preliminary ideas to make exterior changes to a residence located in the Almond Grove Historic District. The Committee felt that the front entry way changes were positive and that the changes to the side could be treated with a multi-pane room and that the house maintain it's colonial revival style.
- d. 15901 Blossom Hill Road - The Committee discussed the possibility of demolishing the house or doing an addition. The Committee had mixed feelings about a demolition and it was questionable if a demolition would be supported. As for the addition, it was recommended that the house be relocated on the lot and that the front portion of the house be saved. Another alternative was to look at converting the house to an accessory structure or a secondary dwelling unit.
- e. Pre-1941 Design Guidelines - No new information to report. Matter will be continued to each meeting to allow members to add to the list of what needs to be looked at when the guidelines are revised.

ITEM 4: **STATUS OF PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS**

Baily informed the Committee on the status of previous applications.

ITEM 5: **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the meeting of December 3, 2003 were passed unanimously.

ITEM 6: **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M. to the next regular meeting on February 4, 2004.

Prepared by:

Approved by:

Sandy L. Baily, Associate Planner

Len Pacheco, Chair