

**Historic French Park Association**  
**Board of Directors meeting - October 6, 2010**

**Minutes**

1. Called to order at 7:05 pm.

Directors Present: Jeff Dickman, Debbie McEwen, Ann Moerer, Wayne Curl, Sussie Quinn, Phil Collins, Marc Morrison, Jim Lynn, Larry Holmes. Quorum accomplished.

2. Approval of minutes from Sept 1, 2010

3. President announced that meeting would start with New Business

A. President's motion to financially support a lawsuit

President provided background on the issue of the Planning Commission and City Council amending the One Broadway Plaza development agreement. The President makes a motion that HFPA contribute \$10k to financially support a lawsuit against the city. The motion was seconded.

Discussion and debate of the motion proceeded until 8:30 pm. Main points included:

- Initial estimate is that \$25k will be required to mount a lawsuit against the City, with the goal of requiring City to reverse its decision on the occupancy. HFPA will be one member of a coalition of residents and groups supporting the lawsuit.
- Point of order on whether such a motion is allowed without prior notice in the HFPA Bylaws. The motion was amended for any action to be debated and voted upon, pending a review of the HFPA Bylaws.
- Amendment was proposed and accepted to rephrase the motion, clarifying that its challenge is to the City's violation of California Election Code, rather than the One Broadway project *per se*.
- Jim Lynn resigned from the Board of Directors.

Amended Motion: HFPA will contribute \$10k to financially support a lawsuit, pending review of HFPA Bylaws, against the City for violating California Election Code in the matter of the development agreement for One Broadway Plaza.

The motion passed at 8:34 pm with a written vote of 4 yes to 3 no, with 1 abstention.

3. Officer reports

A. President report: none

B. Secretary report: website hosting was renewed in September for 2010-11

C. Treasurer's report: current balance is \$15.5k with expenses running approx \$1.5k/year.

4. Committee reports

A. Architectural review

- Ongoing projects are moving forward slowly.
- Some interest in infill housing at 210 N. Bush, potential real estate deal for vacant land on Washington under the tower.
- Harmon McNeil house on Lacy (built 1888) is being rehabbed to be a rental.
- Much appreciation for excellent restoration work done at 801 N. Minter and 305 E. Washington, and some discussion of what kind of gift HFPA might give to owners, perhaps a plaque or historic pictures/background.

B. Police, code enforcement, graffiti committee

City is down to 11 code enforcement officers citywide. Recurring graffiti problem at 815 Lacy. A resident was bitten by a pit bull last week on Lacy.

C. House move committee: on hold

Board Meetings of the Historic French Park Association are public and members of the Association are invited to attend. Motions may be made, seconded, amended and voted on by members of the Board of Directors.

5. Old Business

6. Other New business

- A. Potential drug activity on French St. Wayne Small has been having some problems with tenants.
- B. Proposal to form a Bylaw committee, specifically to consider rules regarding major expenditures and whether a supermajority requirement would be a reasonable addition.
- C. Morrisons will sponsor a pumpkin carving party, probably on the Saturday before Halloween. Announcement to follow.
- D. French Park Holiday party tentatively scheduled for Dec 3 or Dec 4 at the Howe Waffle house. Wayne will check the SAHPS calendar.
- E. Jim Lynn has finished producing the Spingali board game and it is being sold in time for Christmas. More information online at [www.spingali.com](http://www.spingali.com)

7. Announcements

- A. Remember the SAHPS Cemetery tour is Sat Oct 23

8. Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.