

**East Sacramento Improvement Association**  
**Minutes of the February 13, 2017 Board Meeting**  
East Sacramento Room, Clunie Clubhouse

Attending: Paul Noble, Jim Hastings, Brian Holloway, Karen Koch, Nick Kufasimes, Rich Clowdus, Ann Murphy, Kathy Mannion, Chris Little, Tricia Stevens (by phone).

Guest: Tom Griffith

Absent: Kyle Mickiewicz (unexcused)

President Paul Noble called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

**Business Session - ESIA members welcome**

1. Minutes. Minutes of the last meeting on December 12, 2016, were discussed. Unanimously approved - motion by Jim, second by Brian.
2. Treasurer's Report. Brian distributed the 2016 income/expense report. Net income \$221. excluding extraordinary donation (\$7,070). Bank balances at 1/31/17: \$28,122. Discussion about PayPal ensued – membership dues are directed here from our website. Brian will work with our former Treasurer to gain control of the Paypal account and have the funds released.

**Executive Session – ESIA board members only**

**Old Business**

3. Website development. Rich reported that the website has been kept current & 2016 minutes archived. He also reported that our 2016 information-only non-profit tax information (199N, 990N) have been filed.

**New Business**

4. Paul led the Land Use Subcommittee report on 568 Santa Ynez Way, a 'remodel' approved last October that will nearly triple the home's size. The principal concern is its 'boxiness' and a lack of offsetting architectural features, particularly the northern elevation, facing Park St. More importantly, ESIA was not notified of these expansion plans, despite assurances from the city's Planning Department that we would receive notice of such remodel/renovations. Paul circulated a draft letter to councilman Harris (cc: Bruce Monighan of Planning) expressing our disappointment and reminding him that the Subcommittee had taken him on a tour of 'good' remodels and 'McMansions' early last year and that we'd been told the city was working on changes to the 'tent' ordinance to prevent unattractive, boxy McMansions from sprouting all over East Sac. Finally, despite earlier assurances, we have not been receiving notices, either electronically or regular mail, of proposed residential expansions. Brian reported that we haven't received any notices for over 90 days. Rich commented that a 1,086 sq. ft. house on 42<sup>nd</sup> St. has been in construction

for six months; now 2,700 sq. ft., it is tasteful, except that its height is very disproportionate to its neighborhood and neighbors. We weren't informed of this proposed dramatic expansion, either. Brian motioned, Rich seconded, vote to have Paul send his letter. Ten ayes, on abstention.

5. Draft revision of ESIA bylaws. Tricia led the discussion regarding the proposed new bylaws. A red-lined version showing the deleted and added sections was previously distributed to the board. Several comments were made and the ad-hoc committee of Brian, Ann and Tricia will make the suggested revisions and circulate the newest version before next month's board meeting. After board approval, it will need to go voted on by the membership.
6. Spring general membership meeting. Paul offered up a few dates, the last three Wednesdays in April and May 3<sup>rd</sup>. The date is to be established, depending on councilman Harris's availability. Other speakers will include a CalTrans representative (on Business 80) and, perhaps, Mayor Steinberg.
7. Spring newsletter. Paul will be in touch with Kyle; Tricia offered to assist, as well. It must go out a couple weeks before the Spring meeting. Possible articles include the 'vault/cistern' to go into McKinley Park and progress on the McKinley Park pond renovations. Paul will reach out to member Greg Lim on the latter. He's also considering an article on McMansions and our frustration in trying to have the city's policies amended and in receiving adequate notice as these projects come before the city.
8. Orchid and Onion awards. Paul will solicit suggestions the board by email; usually three candidates are voted on by the membership and a ballot included in the Spring meeting notice

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.  
Secretary Rich Clowdus