

Mission Canyon Association
MINUTES
January 5, 7:30 p.m.

Minutes by Kevin Snow

1. Meeting called to order by Jason Saltoun-Ebin:
 - 1.1 Board Members Present: Alex Feldwinn, Darby Feldwinn, Erika Sharghi, Hugh Twibell, Jason Saltoun-Ebin, Kevin Snow, Laurie Guitteau, Nancy Weiss, Ray Smith, Sandy Robertson, and Seldon Edner
 - 1.2 Board Members Absent: Jean Yamamura; Kellum de Forest
 - 1.3 Guests: Steve Windhager; Kadie McShirley

2. Minutes of December 2020 approved.
 - 1st: Laurie Guitteau
 - 2nd: Ray Smith

3. Treasurer's report approved (Erika)

We started with \$38,407 and ended with \$46,577. Received \$910 in donations and \$10,030 from closing a bank CD. Expenditures were \$2,771 (amounts rounded to whole dollars).

 - 1st: Laurie Guitteau
 - 2nd: Ray Smith

All approved after discussion to reinvest extra funds in a new CD.

4. Old Business
 - 4.1 Museum of Natural History update (Luke)

N/A.
 - 4.2 Botanic Garden update (Steve)

The Garden was deemed an "essential service" and therefore able to remain open to the public. Attendance has been strong but still below CUP limits. The neighbor gates are open to members wearing masks. The Garden received a \$250K grant to remove invasive species from "ridge to ridge," including areas of private lands. The goal is to get invasive species completely out of the watershed. The first-year effort will focus on completing an assessment. The project covers a 5 year period.

A shaded oak fuel break project in the upper portions of the Garden was never funded but is still being worked on.
 - 4.3 Meeting with Das Williams
No meeting with Das this month.
 - 4.4 Historic Bridge/Mission Heritage Trail Association (Ericka)

More than 50 members of the public participated in the December 2 webinar sponsored by the City. The group presented three bridge and roadway/pathway options. Details can be found at <https://www.missioncanyonbridge.com/copy-of-studies>. The MHTA board endorsed #3 which expands the bridge as a single arch to 50" with sewer lines included, and #A which widens the roadway and bridge equally on both sides to increase driver sight distance, add bike lanes, and pathways on both sides. Next steps is

to meet with the California Office of Historic Preservation. A Concept Review with the City's Historic Landmarks Commission will follow during the 1Q 2021.

5. New Business

5.1 2021 Planning

A: Annual Meeting: No decision on date until Covid "safe."

B: 2020-2021 Officers & Directors: Deferred until the situation changes.

C: Crime and Safety Issues: Issues of mailboxes being opened and mail stolen has caused some (as on Andante) to install locked mailboxes.

D: Neighborhood improvement projects: Discussion regarding open (Historic?) drain/trench at the corner of Mission Canyon Rd and Foothill Road

6. Additional Committee Reports

6.1 Mission Heritage Trail Association/Safe Passage (Ericka Sharghi)

See 4.4

6.2 Newsletter (Jean Yamamura)

N/A

6.3 Architectural Design Review (Hugh Twibell)

Quiet except for unpermitted work and planting at 100 Tunnel Road. Kevin will follow up and confer with Hugh and Sandra.

6.4 Parking & Traffic (Jason Saltoun-Ebin)

N/A

6.5 Land Use Committee (Kevin Snow)

See 6.3

6.6 Membership (Laurie Guitteau)

N/A

6.7 Fire Committee (Ray Smith)

Firesafe Council will meet Thursday 1/7.

6.8 Website (Alex Feldwinn)

N/A

6.9 Tunnel Trail (Nancy Weiss)

Nancy reviewed progress on the Upper Tunnel Road Traffic Management and Evacuation Plan out of Mission Canyon as part of SCE's mitigation plan to restore damage on upper Tunnel Road. SCE has committed to offer \$100,000 to fund a study. A committee was formed to work with SCE (Nancy, Ray, Steve.)

6.10 Expanded cell service (Sandra)

N/A

Next Board Meeting: **February 2, 2021**