

**CITY OF SANTA MARIA
LANDMARK COMMITTEE
MINUTES
June 13, 2006
City Hall Conference Room
4:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order:

Committee Chair Joe Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

2. Roll Call:

Joe Johnson, Chair	Present
Joan Walker, Vice-Chair	Absent
Jim O'Neill, Secretary	Present
Eleanor Brower	Present
Muriel Robinson	Absent

3. Minutes:

The minutes of the May 9, 2006 meeting were approved as presented.

4. Old Business:

- a. Joe Johnson again showed the committee the restored certificate designating the former Coca-Cola building at Jones and McClelland Streets as a place of historical merit. It has now been re-signed by Richard Chenoweth and George Hobbs and framed. On June 19, 2006, Mr. Johnson will present it to the building's current occupant, the Community Cornerstone Center for Non-Profits, and it will once again be placed on display at the site.
- b. Joe Johnson reported that the City of Santa Maria Planning Commission, at its May 17, 2006 meeting, considered the Landmark Committee's request and unanimously recommended to the City Council that the Long House (presently the offices of the City's Recreation and Parks Department) be designated as a landmark.

The City Council considered this at its June 6, 2006 meeting and unanimously approved the designation of the building as Landmark LM-13.

Alex Posada, Director of Recreation and Parks, will draft the text to be placed on the plaque to be placed at the site. He will present the proposed text to the Committee for approval.

- c. Joe Johnson reported that he has still not been able to reach Jim May in order to refer him to the Santa Barbara County Historic Landmarks Advisory Committee so that he might take up his concern about the Pleasant Valley School.
- d. Eleanor Brower reported that she has spoken further with her contact person at the First United Methodist Church. The church's board discussed possible landmark status for its building but decided not to pursue it at the present.

5. **New Business:**

- a. Joe Johnson reported that he had seen a brief story in the Santa Maria Times announcing a ceremony unveiling a "Santa Maria Centennial Map" to be held the evening of June 13, 2006. Not being familiar with this map, he obtained copies and was somewhat disappointed to note that it is simply a for-profit advertising medium with little or no value of a historical nature. He distributed copies to the Committee members.

6. **Announcements:**

There were no announcements.

7. **Adjournment:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES O'NEILL
Secretary