

1 **SOUTH MESQUITE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD**

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3 Following are the minutes of the South Mesquite Design Review Board meeting held on  
4 August 7, 2019 in 1158 at City Hall, 700 N. Main Street, Las Cruces, NM 88001.

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6 **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Robert Williams  
7 Ernie Campos  
8 David Chavez  
9 Tony Dahlin

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11 **MEMBERS ABSENT:** Faith Hutson

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13 **STAFF PRESENT:** Sara Gonzales, CLC Planner  
14 Troy Ainsworth, CLC Historic Preservation Specialist  
15 Larry Nichols, Community Development  
16 Becky Baum, RC Creations, LLC, Recording Sec.  
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18 **I. CALL TO ORDER (6:00)**

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20 Chair Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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22 **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 3, 2019**

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24 The minutes were motioned by David Chavez, seconded by Ernie Campos, and  
25 unanimously approved.  
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27 **III. NEW BUSINESS**

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29 **1. Case 19DR0500076:** Request for approval of the construction of a new  
30 addition to an existing commercial restaurant located at 195 N. Mesquite  
31 Street. The subject property is zoned C-2 (General Commercial District) and  
32 R-2 (Medium Density Residential District) and is located within the Original  
33 Townsite in the South Mesquite Overlay District. Submitted by Melissa  
34 Salazar, property owner. Council District 1.  
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36 Sara Gonzales presented the new construction to the back of the restaurant, Nueva  
37 Casita. The site will be coming into compliance via landscaping, actual  
38 paved parking lot, ADA, and bicycle parking.  
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40 David Chavez asked about when the project will get started and if anything was to be  
41 done to the front of the building.  
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43 Jaime Salazar stated hopefully within 1-2 months. Nothing will be done to the front of the  
44 building.  
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46 Tony Dahlin ask about ADA bathrooms.

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2 Jamie Salazar said yes, the new section will include ADA bathrooms.

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4 Ernie Campos asked about the stucco finish and matching.

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6 Jaime Salazar stated as close as they can.

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8 Troy Ainsworth asked about the four-foot higher roof section, and any additional artwork.

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10 Jaime Salazar stated the ceilings inside are low, duct work will now not be seen from the  
11 ground level. They stated they have all they need. The current murals were  
12 expensive.

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14 The case was moved by David Chavez, second by Ernie Campos, and unanimously  
15 approved.

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17 **2. Case 19DR0500083:** Request for approval to add a door to the street facing  
18 facade to the primary structure located at 541 S. Campo Street. The subject  
19 property is zoned R-3 (High Density Residential District) and is located within  
20 the Original Townsite in the South Mesquite Overlay District. Submitted by  
21 Troy Miller and Sandra Calderon, property owner. Council District 4.

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23 Sara Gonzales presented the request for the door replacement.

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25 Troy Ainsworth asked about the fire within that building/residence.

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27 Troy Miller stated the whole side facing Campos had a fire, lead to whole remodeling of  
28 the inside and brought up the door replacement.

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30 David Chavez talked about the Mesquite area being hilly and that this house is one of the  
31 few that's still above the street level. Asked about landscaping, trees,  
32 vegetation.

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34 Troy Miller mentioned they are first getting the house back to livable.

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36 Larry Nichols questioned the door they are going to use, it is wood, is it a metal, embossed  
37 metal door.

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39 Troy Miller stated it is a wooden core door.

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41 The case was moved by David Chavez, second by Ernie Campos, and unanimously  
42 approved.

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44 **IV. DISCUSSION OF OTHER ITEMS**

45 **1. Ad Hoc Committee**  
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1 Troy Ainsworth discussed the Historic Preservation Ad Hoc committee and the work on  
2 the ordinance that is presently being worked on. This included doing public  
3 input, a work session with City Council.  
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5 Sara Gonzales mentioned that ordinance created the South Mesquite Board, so need  
6 another ordinance to repeal/replace to put it somewhere else. This is if this  
7 board became part of the Historic Preservation, we would have to change  
8 the ordinance to reflect that.  
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10 David Chavez mentioned that there the South Mesquite is a good ordinance, could they  
11 cherry pick the good things from the City ordinance to improve this  
12 ordinance.  
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14 Sara Gonzales mentioned not getting rid of South Mesquite but putting various boards  
15 together due to issues acquiring board members/quorum. Also discussed  
16 renewing three current members in October.  
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18 David Chavez approved of a Historic Preservation Commission and South Mesquite has  
19 experience to help in that area.  
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21 **2. Brochure**  
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23 Robert Williams stated the brochure discussion will be moved to when Faith Hutson will  
24 be attending the meeting.  
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26 **V. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
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28 **VI. ADJOURNMENT (6:36)**  
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34 Chairperson