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ACTION MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting
Old Monterey Business Association
Conference Room
May 19, 2010

MEMBERS Present: James Bryant, Pete Arellano, Beth Fergon, Lauren Cohen, Jean O'Brien, Patrick Finch, Paul Davis, Michele Pearce, Steve Marino, Carolyn Harris, and Yvonne Boltze.

MEMBERS Absent: Brenda Eberly, Jerry Anderson, Mary Lou Cortright, Chris Watrud, Warren Dewey, Salah Laasi, and John Danelon.

CITY COUNCIL: Frank Sollecito – Absent, Nancy Selfridge - Present

CITY LIAISON: Chip Rerig - Present

LEGAL COUNSEL: Anthony Davi -Present

STAFF PRESENT: Rick Johnson, Timothy Menz

GUESTS: Uwe Grobecker

MEETING CONVENED: 4:03PM ADJOURNED: 4:55 PM

SECTION	AGENDA ITEM	ACTION	VOTE (if any)
I., II., Welcome, Call to Order, & Introduction		Meeting called to order at 4:00PM	
III. Approval of Minutes		Minutes Approved as submitted	Ayes 11; No's 0 Abstentions 1 (Pete Arellano)
IV. Approval of Financials		Financials Approved	Ayes 12; No's 0
V. Staff Report		Work on the former Doc Ricketts Cocktail Lounge is progressing, but an opening be delayed about 3 months due to a partnership change. The former East Coast Eatery is scheduled to become a Mexican/Spanish restaurant, and the former Croce's Pizza will open within the week as a new pizza restaurant. Karma Café has opened in the former Chez Christine location.	
VI. City Liaison Report	Updates: Significant Change to Downtown Properties	The city of Monterey's budget has been impacted significantly by the State of California's appropriation (theft) of Redevelopment funds in the amount of \$2.5 Million. Thus, there will be virtually no new capital improvement funding by the City this year.	

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		<p>The Monterey Hotel project is moving ahead with projected completion of the <i>outside</i> of the building by early summer, and the removal of the scaffolding. Staff will supply an update on the Hartnell Gulch project at the June Board meeting.</p>	
<p>VII. Committee Reports</p>	<p>Committee Reports</p> <p>A. Executive Griffin Plaza</p> <p>Short Term Goals: Downtown Signage</p> <p>Garage Renaming</p> <p>B. Promotion Buy Local Promotion</p> <p>Rats to Riches</p> <p>C. Design Downtown Plan – Parking and Transportation</p> <p>Next Design Meeting, May 29, 2010</p>	<p>OMBA, the City and the property and business owners fronting Griffin Plaza are exploring a plan to fund lights at Griffin Plaza.</p> <p>Rich Deal, City Traffic Engineer, is ordering a downtown sign for Washington and Del Monte, which will include OMBA logo.</p> <p>OMBA has asked the City to rename the East and West parking garages to include the word “<i>Downtown</i>” to give visitors a better chance to locate and use the Garages.</p> <p>Last week, OMBA sent out a mailer to all members, which included the promo pieces for the Buy Local Campaign.</p> <p>This event continues to be a downtown draw every third Thursday evening through October.</p> <p>The Planning Commission voted to endorse a downtown parking and transportation plan and request the city to allocate \$285,000 for the study, as well as make a downtown specific plan a top priority for the Planning Department. The allocation request goes before the City Council June 1st.</p>	

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VIII. Old / New Business			
IX. & X. Call to Next Meeting & Adjourn.		Next meeting: Exec. June 4th, 2010, 8:30am Board June 9th, 2010, 4:00pm	