

HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION MINUTES - August 13, 2014
CONCEPT REVIEW - NEW

10. **901 CHAPALA ST** C-2 Zone
 (4:05) Assessor's Parcel Number: 039-313-011
 Application Number: MST2014-00361
 Owner: William M. and Dolores M. Faulding Family Trust
 Applicant: Juan Jiménez
 Business Name: Cajun Kitchen

(Proposal to request approval of an "as-built" mural located on the northerly elevation (parking lot side) of the existing Cajun Kitchen Restaurant. The proposal will address the violations identified within enforcement case ENF2014-00271.)

(Action may be taken if sufficient information is provided.)

Actual time: 4:45 p.m.

Present: Juan Jiménez, Business Owner
 Kirk Crashaw, Local Artist

Public comment opened at 4:47 p.m.

Ginny Brush, Executive Director of the Santa Barbara County Arts Commission - Visual Art in Public Places Committee (VAPP), commented that, although the proposal is not in its purview, the applicant is urged to consult with VAPP in the future.

Public comment closed at 4:48 p.m.

Motion: Project Design and Final Approvals of the wall mural as a temporary art exhibit for the period of one (1) year that shall be removed on or prior to August 12, 2015.

Action: La Voie/Drury, 5/1/0. (Mahan opposed because the two adjacent buildings are either a designated landmark or on the City's List of Potential Historic Resources. Shallenberger/Suding/Winick absent.) Motion carried.

Commission comments: The proposed application is conditionally approved as a maximum one (1) year, temporary art exhibit. It was noted that, while it is appreciated as an expression of art, it is not an appropriate permanent improvement located within El Pueblo Viejo Landmark District (EPV). The mural located in the Funk Zone recently approved by the HLC (temporary mural installed on the south elevation of the Hotel Indigo) was sponsored by the Museum of Contemporary Art as a temporary exhibit, by a nationally renowned artist, does not serve as advertisement for a business, and was reviewed by the Visual Art in Public Places Committee (VAPP). The proposed as-built mural style is not in compliance with the EPV Guidelines, it is contemporary, not framed traditionally, appears more like a corporate logo symbol (therefore, it borders as signage), and is not an acceptable size. The HLC does not wish to set a precedent by supporting a permanent mural of this style within EPV.