I. Call to Order and Roll Call
Chair Queenan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Vice Chair Fang and Commissioners Abelardo, Choudhury, Lind, Mohsin, and Madnawat. Alternate Commissions present were Chen, Manassau, and Nguyen (7:13 pm). Absent were Commissioner Meharu, Alternate Commissioner Sangalang. Commissioner Villegas had an excused absence.

II. Seating of Alternates
Alternates seated: Commissioners Chen and Manassau.

III. Pledge of Allegiance
Chair Queenan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Approval of Agenda
MOTION to approve the Agenda as submitted.
M/S: Mohsin/Lind
Ayes: 8

V. Approval of Minutes
MOTION to approve the minutes of December 03, 2008:
M/S: Lind/Mohsin
Ayes: 8

VI. Announcements
Chair Queenan asked newly appointed Alternate Commissioner Manassau to give a brief autobiography. Commissioner Manassau has a Milpitas resident since 1978, but has not been directly involved with City government. Now that he is retired he decided to volunteer for his Community. Director on Star One Credit Union, just in case it may be a conflict of interest.

VII. Public Forum
Chair Queenan invited members of the audience to address the Commission on any item not on the agenda.

Ms. Heidi Pham, 1278 Traughber St, spoke as a previous Commissioner who was not informed that she was removed from the Commission. She contacted Mr. Felix Reliford to inquire about this meeting because she didn’t receive an agenda packet. Mr. Reliford informed her that she was no longer on the list as a Commissioner. Ms. Pham would like to receive a letter with an explanation as to why she can no longer volunteer for her community. She also requested that this process be an item on next month’s agenda.

Councilmember Althea Polanski informed the Commission that at the December 16, 2008 City Council meeting, Mayor Livengood made his recommendations for Commission appointments and Ms. Pham was not recommended.

VIII. Liaison Reports
Councilmember Althea Polanski informed the Commission that the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Resources Commission (PRCRC) has been selected as the 2008 Parks & Recreation Commission for the State of California. This Recreation Foundation raised approximately $15,000 and the PRCRC is taking pictures and videos of all of the City parks, these are on Cable Channel 15.

Mayor Livengood will be giving a State of the Community address on April 22, 2009 at 5:30 pm in the City Council Chambers.

At the January 06, 2009 City Council meeting, the City Council passed an ordinance (1st reading) to allow for a Farmers Market at the India Community Center. The Farmers Market will be on Sundays and is expected to open in the Spring.

At the January 06, 2009 City Council meeting, the City Council approved the purchase of a 4.9 acre piece of land at McCandless for a park.

The Fairfield project at McCarthy came back to City Council for a change in design. The project switches some of the 3 bedroom units for 2 bedroom units and they

The Commissioner’s Recognition Event will be Saturday, April 04, 2009 at Dave & Busters.

Everyone is invited to the Library Grand Opening this Saturday, January 10, 2009. This project was completed on time and $2.9 million under budget.

IX. Old Business

A. Town Hall Meeting.

Chair Queenan continued this item from the last meeting and opened it up for discussion.

Commissioner Lind explained to Alternate Commissioner Manassau the Town Hall Meeting is a joint effort by the CAC and EPC to focus on Emergency Preparedness. The event is scheduled for Thursday, February 05, 2009 at 7:00 pm. The first 50 families to arrive will receive a special gift.

Commissioner Lind informed the Commission that the event was in the Milpitas Post last week; she invited the City Council at their meeting on January 06, 2009 and she will invite the School Board next week.

Councilmember Polanski invited the Parks, Recreation, & Cultural Resources Commission to the event.

Commissioner Mohsin informed the Commission that he did send the “News Release” to the Sunnyhills Neighborhood Association.

All of the Commissioners agreed to attend the other City Commission meetings to invite them; Mr. Felix Reliford provided each of the Commissioners a stack of flyers to hand out at the meetings.

Mr. Felix Reliford will email the flyer to all of the City’s Commissioners and send a reminder email the week before the event.

Commissioner Manassau agreed to be in charge of the refreshments for the event.
Commissioner Mohsin will check with the Milpitas Police Department to coordinate the Child Fingerprinting.

Mr. Felix Reliford and Commissioner Lind will meet to discuss the room layout and submit the diagram to the Community Center.

Commissioner Mohsin suggested all Commissioners wear their CAC badge to the event; Mr. Felix Reliford will order badges for all of the newer Commissioners.

Mr. Felix Reliford will post the “English Only” flyer on the City’s website.

Mr. Felix Reliford needs all of the foreign language translations by January 14, 2009 for the flyer to be printed and distributed.

Commissioner Choudhury will represent the CAC at the CAC table.

Mr. Felix Reliford will check if the City has the CAC banner for the table, and get copies of the updated Community Outreach Form and NBO handouts.

X. New Business

A. Heritage Tree Nominations

Chair Queenan asked the Commissioners if anyone had any new trees or groves they’d like to recommend to the City Council for heritage designation. No Commissioners had any trees and/or groves to recommend.

B. Election of Officers

Chair Queenan opened the floor for nominations for new Chair and Vice-Chair. Commissioner Lind nominated Chair Queenan and Vice-Chair Fang to Chair and Vice-Chair.

MOTION to nominate Chair Queenan to remain as Chair.

M/S: Lind/Mohsin

Ayes: 8

MOTION to nominate Commissioner Fang to remain as Vice-Chair.

M/S: Lind/Mohsin

Ayes: 8

C. Subcommittee/Task Force Status Reports

Chair Queenan received a letter from Robert Donnell stating the shopping carts are blight on the City and requested the CAC review the policy. Mr. Felix Reliford will place the item on the February agenda and the 2009 Work Plan.

XI. Adjournment

Chair Queenan adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m. to the February 04, 2009 meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Barbey, Recording Secretary