I. Call to Order and Roll Call
Chair Queenan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners, Lind, Meharu, Mohsin, Madnawat, Fang. Alternate Commissioners present: Fong, Manassau, and Nguyen. Absent were: Commissioners Villegas, Chen and Choudhury.

II. Seating of Alternates
Alternates seated: Nguyen, Manassau and Fong.

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

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

V. Approval of Minutes
MOTION to approve the minutes of November 4, 2009 as submitted.
M/S: Lind, Mohsin
Ayes: 8

VI. Announcements
Current contact lists will be passed out to the Commissioners at the next meeting.

VII. Public Forum
Chair Queenan invited members of the audience to address the Commission on any item not on the agenda. There were no requests.

VIII. Liaison Reports
City Council
Councilmember Althea Polanski mentioned:
Councilmember Polanski introduced Debbie Lax who is the station manager for Milpitas Magazine Channel 26 and invited her to a future meeting to discuss how she can work with the CAC to communicate with the citizens. The Magazine communicates with 95% of the community of Milpitas and 5% other. The Magazine can video tape meetings, activities and speakers. Debbie will have station training for volunteers on Jan 12th.
On 1/5/10 Council approved the CaliforniaFirst Program which allows homeowners to borrow a minimum of $5,000 to purchase energy efficient upgrades to their homes. The loan is paid through a tax assessment of the property and stays with the property. So if a homeowner sells the home the new owner continues to pay the loan. There is more info to follow including whether the City will need to pay a one time cost of $12,500.
Mayor Livengood would like to bring a 2 day “Every 15 Minutes” program to our High Schools.
The Every 15 Minutes Program offers real-life experience without the real-life risks. This emotionally charged program, entitled Every 15 Minutes, is an event designed...
to dramatically instill teenagers with the potentially dangerous consequences of drinking alcohol. This powerful program will challenge students to think about drinking, personal safety, and the responsibility of making mature decisions when lives are involved.

Cost will be approximately $1,000 to the City.

The Mayor would also like to bring the Social Host Ordinance to the City which would prohibit parents/adults from providing alcohol to any minor.

IX. Old Business
A. Heritage Tree Nominations.

The CAC Work Plan schedules opportunities to nominate heritage trees in January, May, and October. Staff contacted the Public Works Department and currently there are no heritage trees to be nominated for the year.

B. Consider Special Event Participation – Arbor Day.
Paul Mullett Senior Supervisor Parks/Landscape presented to the Commissioners that 8-10 Tree’s can be planted at Creighton Park for this activity. The cost would be covered through Park/Landscape budget for the trees. The Committee agreed and approved. Details to follow.

M/S: Fang/Manassau

Ayes: 8

X. New Business
A. Election of Officers:

New officers were elected, the new Chair is Rajeev Madnawat and Vice Chair is Syed Mohsin.

M/S: Lind/Nguyen

Ayes: 8

B. Review of 2010 Draft Work Plan:

A Short term goal was added, Milpitas Cable Community Outreach.

D. Subcommittee/Task Force Status Reports

None

XI. Adjournment
Chair Madnawat adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m. to the February 3, 2010 meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Casagrande/Recording Secretary