CITY OF CALISTOGA

STAFF REPORT

TO: CHAIRMAN MANFREDI AND MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING

COMMISSION

FROM: ERIK V. LUNDQUIST, SENIOR PLANNER

MEETING DATE: MAY 25, 2011

SUBJECT: BED AND BREAKFAST INSPECTION REPORT AND

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OF PINK MANSION AND

CRAFTSMAN INN

REQUEST

1) Receive a report on the Planning and Building and Fire Department's 2011 annual bed and breakfast inspections per the City's Bed and Breakfast Inns and Facilities Ordinance (Ord. 667); and

2) Receive a report regarding the administrative review of the Pink Mansion and the Craftsman Inn as required per their respective conditional use permits.

PURPOSE

Bed and Breakfast Inspection Report: Section 17.35.020(H), Bed and Breakfast Inns and Facilities of the Calistoga Municipal Code states,

"All facilities shall be inspected periodically by the Planning and Building Department for conformance with use permit conditions and the regulations established in this title. Inspection reports shall be forwarded to the Planning Commission for informational purposes, as necessary."

Historically, the Planning and Building Department has provided its inspection report to the Planning Commission on an annual basis. In June of 2010 Ordinance No. 667 became effective requiring inspections and the supplemental report on an as needed basis. Since bed and breakfast code compliance is an important issue in the community, the Planning and Building Department has maintained its annual inspections and has scheduled this matter to provide the 2011 Bed and Breakfast inspection report to the Planning Commission.

<u>Pink Mansion and Craftsman Inn Report</u>: Bed and Breakfast Inn and Facility Inspections are not the entire focus of this report. The purpose of this report is also

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intended to provide an administrative review of the Pink Mansion and Craftsman Inn as required per their respective conditional use permits.

On September 8, 2010 the Planning Commission adopted Resolution PC 2010-14 approving a conditional use permit amendment allowing the Pink Mansion to eliminate the on site manager and add a 7th guest unit. Similarly, on November 18, 2010 the Planning Commission adopted Resolution PC 2010-16 approving a conditional use permit amendment allowing the Craftsman Inn to eliminate their on site manager. No additional rooms were authorized at the Craftsman Inn. To mitigate neighborhood compatibility concerns the Planning Commission incorporated a condition of approval into the projects requiring periodic administrative reviews. The conditions state:

This Conditional Use Permit shall be administratively reviewed every (3) months during the first year (and on a semi-annual basis thereafter) to determine whether the use has resulted in a detrimental or adverse impact to the surrounding neighborhood. A report of staff's investigation shall be submitted via memorandum to the Planning Commission. Should it be determined that violation of the Conditions of this Use Permit have occurred or there is evidence of impact on the surrounding neighborhood, staff shall bring the Use Permit back to the Planning Commission for reconsideration.

As such, the purpose of this report is to satisfy this condition requiring the administrative review to determine whether the use has resulted in a detrimental or adverse impact to the surrounding neighborhood.

DISCUSSION

A. Annual Inspection Report

The Planning and Building and Fire Departments have completed their initial inspections of sixteen (16) local bed and breakfast inns and facilities. These inspections primarily took place during the month of April and May. The process continues to be well received and the inspections were conducted in a professional manner with little or no impact on the business operations. These inspections focused on Use Permit compliance and the identification of potential health and safety risks including, in some instances, inadequate fire extinguishers, extension cords, smoke detectors and emergency signage.

Attachment 1 identifies the compliance status of each Bed and Breakfast. In summary, out of the sixteen (16) inspections; eleven (11) of the Bed and Breakfast establishment's are clearly in conformance with the Planning and Building Departments requirements and regulations, two (2) of the Bed and Breakfast establishments are suspected of noncompliant operations and three (3) of the Bed and Breakfast establishments are pending inspection.

At this time, staff continues to monitor the two (2) facilities suspected of noncompliance. Since no hard evidence has been found staff has not commenced

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any formal abatement action or citation procedure. Until confirming evidence is found staff will continue to monitor these establishments.

B. Pink Mansion and Craftsman Inn Administrative Review

1. Pink Mansion

Since this administrative review has coincided with the annual inspection program, staff has focused this administrative review on complaints received. The Planning and Building Department has not received any complaints or concerns regarding the operations resulting from the elimination of the on site manager. A review of the Police Department records indicates a report of found property and a medical aid. Otherwise, no citizen complaints have been received regarding noise or disturbances occurring at the property. It is staff's opinion that this establishment is operating in a reasonable and courteous manner.

2. Craftsman Inn

The Planning and Building Department has not received any complaints or concerns regarding the operations resulting from the elimination of the on site manager. A review of the Police Department records indicates no incidents at this property. Furthermore, no citizen complaints have been received regarding noise or disturbances occurring at the property. It is staff's opinion that this establishment is also operating in a reasonable and courteous manner.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff does not foresee the need for additional reviews until the next inspection season. As such, Staff recommends that the Planning Commission direct Staff to continue its annual inspection program but allow staff to extend the compliance reviews of the Pink Mansion and Craftsman Inn from 6-months to yearly in order to coincide with the annual inspection program. Staff is of the opinion that this minor modification to the conditions of approval is permissible under the discretionary authority of the Planning and Building Department and Planning Commission changing the timing of review does not increase environmental impacts.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed action is not a project as defined by Title 14, Chapter 3, §15378 of the California Code of Regulations (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

ATTACHMENT

- 2011 Bed and Breakfast Inventory
- 122 2. Bed and Breakfast Inns and Facilities, Ordinance No. 667