

OFFICIAL
CITY OF LOS ANGELES
Cultural Heritage Commission Minutes
Thursday, July 16, 2009
200 North Spring Street
Room 1010, City Hall
Los Angeles, CA 90012

MINUTES OF CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION HEREIN ARE REPORTED IN **ACTION FORMAT**. COMPLETE DETAILS, **INCLUDING THE DISCUSSION**, RELATING TO EACH ITEM ARE CONTAINED IN THE HEARING RECORDING FOR THIS MEETING. COPIES OF COMPACT DISC RECORDINGS ARE AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING CENTRAL PUBLICATIONS, AT (213) 978-1255 AND ARE ALSO ACCESSIBLE THROUGH THE WORLD WIDE WEB AT <http://www.planning.lacity.org>.

The meeting was called to order by Commission President Richard Barron at 10:11 a.m.

Commissioners present: Glen Dake, Mia Lehrer, Roella Louie, Oz Scott

1. DIRECTOR'S REPORT/STAFF REPORT

A. Other items of interest

Ms. Gail Goldberg, Director of Planning Department, attended the meeting and updated the Commission on the status of proposed budget, mandated furlough, new work schedule, layoffs, early retirement incentive program and its effect on Planning Department operation, and fee study which will be adopted by the Council.

The Commission thanked Ms. Goldberg for the updates and wished her the best.

B. Council/Committee Actions and Schedules

Ken Bernstein reported on the following:

- 1) Cultural Heritage Proposed Ordinance Amendments was heard by the City Planning Commission (CPC) on July 9, 2009 with the Designation of Interiors as the major issue of discussion. CPC continued the matter to its September 10, 2009 meeting.

He thanked Commissioners Barron and Dake for attending this meeting.

- 2) Century Plaza Hotel – a motion to designate the place as Cultural-Heritage Monument was introduced by Councilmember Paul Koretz and seconded by Councilmember Ed Reyes on July 7, 2009;

- 3) Commissioner Roella Louie was reappointed by the Mayor for another five-year term which is ending June 30, 2014;
- 5) A response letter was received from Department of Recreation and Parks Commission on an update on Preservation Plan.
- 6) SurveyLa Video was nominated for a local Emmy Award.

2. **COMMISSION BUSINESS**

A. Old Business

- 1) Update on Los Angeles Unified School District Historic Schools Investment Fund Board

Commissioner Louie reported on the various monetary grants given to Los Angeles Unified School District Historic Schools

- 2) Review and Advisory Concurrence of Proposed Historic-Cultural Monument Plaque Artwork

None

B. New Business

- 1) Advance Calendar

Commissioners Scott and Louie indicated that they will not be able on September 17th and October 1st meetings respectively.

September 3, 2009 meeting is canceled.

- 2) Commission Announcements/Requests

None

- 3) Approval of Minutes of June 18, 2009 Meeting

Approval of Minutes of June 18, 2009 Meeting was unanimously approved by all members of the Commission

3. **COMMENTS TO STATE OF CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION ON PROPOSED LISTING OF COLUMBIA SAVINGS BUILDING TO THE CALIFORNIA REGISTER OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES, 5220 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD, CD 4, CHC-2009-1908-CR** Motion Required

Ken Bernstein introduced the item and the applicant for the subject property.

The applicant gave a power point presentation and read three letters in support of the nomination. He answered questions of the Commission.

Three speakers spoke in support of the nomination and two speakers spoke.

One of the speakers who spoke in support rebutted.

Council District representative was not in support of the nomination.

The Commission asked Bernstein to make some clarification on the nomination procedure and/or process.

The President closed the public hearing.

The Commission deliberated.

Motion: Provide general comments on the nomination; modify the proposed resolution.

Moved: Commissioner Barron

Seconded: Commissioner Louie

Ayes: Commissioners Dake and Lehrer

Nays: Commissioner Scott

Vote: 4-1

4. ECKLEY-MITCHELL RESIDENCE, 2048 SOUTH OXFORD BOULEVARD, CD 10, CHC-2009-1248-HCM

Determination of Monument Status After Inspection. Motion Required

CEQA Review: Categorical Exemption

Applicant: Harvard Heights Neighborhood Association/
West Adams Heights/Sugar Hill Neighborhood Association

Applicant's Representative: Anna Marie Brooks

Owner: Hyun S. Park

Lambert Giessinger, Architect, introduced the case and recommended not to declare the property a Historic-Cultural Monument per Los Angeles Administrative Code Chapter 9, Division 22, Article 1, Section 22.171.7 and adopt the report findings.

The applicant's representative testified for the proposal and against the Staff recommendation.

Three other speakers testified for the property.

Motion: Declare the property a Historic-Cultural Monument; overturn the Staff recommendation, modify findings.

Moved: Commissioner Barron

Seconded: Commissioner Louie

Ayes: Commissioners Dake, Lehrer, and Scott

Vote: 5-0

5. **LINDA SCOTT RESIDENCE, 1910 SOUTH HARVARD BOULEVARD, CD 10, CHC-2009-1258-HCM**

Determination of Monument Status After Inspection. Motion Required
CEQA Review: Categorical Exemption

Applicant: Harvard Heights Neighborhood Association/
West Adams Heights/Sugar Hill Neighborhood Association

Applicant's Representative: Anna Marie Brooks

Owner: Wells Fargo Bank NA

Lambert Giessinger presented the case and recommended that the Commission declare the property a Historic-Cultural Monument.

The applicant's representative was present but did not testify.

Motion: Declare the property a Historic-Cultural Monument per Los Angeles
Administrative Code Chapter 9, Division 22, Article 1, Section 22.171.7
and adopt the report findings.

Moved: Commissioner Barron

Seconded: Commissioner Scott

Ayes: Commissioners Dake, Lehrer, and Louie

Vote: 5-0

6. **ROSS HOUSE, 2123 NORTH VALENTINE STREET, CD, 13, CHC-2009-1304-HCM**

Determination of Monument Status After Inspection. Motion Required
CEQA Review: Categorical Exemption

Applicant/Owner: Gareth and Christine Kantner

Edgar Garcia, Preservation Planner, briefly presented the case and recommended to declare the property a Historic-Cultural Monument and to adopt the report findings.

The Applicant/Owner was not present and there were no speakers.

Commission President stated that the Commission had the opportunity to visit the house.

Motion: Declare the property a Historic-Cultural Monument per Los Angeles
Administrative Code Chapter 9, Division 22, Article 1, Section 22.171.7
and adopt the report findings.

Moved: Commissioner Barron

Seconded: Commissioner Dake

Ayes: Commissioners Lehrer, Louie, and Scott

Vote: 5-0

7. WILSON HOUSE, 2090 NORTH REDCLIFF STREET, CD 4, CHC-2009-1307-HCM

Determination of Monument Status After Inspection. Motion Required
CEQA Review: Categorical Exemption

Applicant/Owner: Noah Baylin
c/o Baylin Family Limited Partnership

Edgar Garcia presented the case and recommended to declare the property a Historic Cultural Monument.

There were no speakers present.

Motion: Declare the property a Historic-Cultural Monument per Los Angeles
Administrative Code Chapter 9, Division 22, Article 1, Section 22.171.7
and adopt the report findings.

Moved: Commissioner Louie
Seconded: Commissioner Scott
Ayes: Commissioners Dake, Lehrer, and Barron

Vote: 5-0

8 DOUGLAS BUILDING, 257 SOUTH SPRING STREET, CD 14, CHC-2009-1373-HCM

Determination of Monument Status After Inspection. Motion Required
CEQA Review: Categorical Exemption

OWNER: 257 Spring Street LLC

OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE: Scott Mahoy, Scott Young, Anita To
Douglas Building Property Owner's Association

Edgar Garcia briefly presented the case and his recommendation to declare the property a Historic-Cultural Monument and adopt the report findings.

There were no speakers present.

Motion: Declare the property a Historic-Cultural Monument per Los Angeles
Administrative Code Chapter 9, Division 22, Article 1, Section 22.171.7
and adopt the report findings.

Moved: Commissioner Barron
Seconded: Commissioner Louie
Ayes: Commissioners Dake, Lehrer, and Scott

Vote: 5-0

9. **LIPETZ HOUSE, 1843 NORTH DILLON STREET, CD 4, CHC-2009-1391-HCM**

Determination of Monument Status After Inspection. Motion Required
CEQA Review: Categorical Exemption

Applicant/Owner: William and Annie Macomber

Edgar Garcia briefly presented the case and his recommendation to declare the property a Historic-Cultural Monument and adopt the report findings.

There were no speakers present

Motion: Declare the property a Historic-Cultural Monument per Los Angeles
Administrative Code Chapter 9, Division 22, Article 1, Section 22.171.7
and adopt the report findings.

Moved: Commissioner Louie

Seconded: Commissioner Scott

Ayes: Commissioners Dake, Lehrer, and Barron

Vote: 5-0

10. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

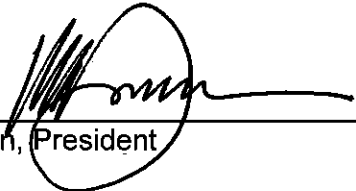
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11. **NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE: THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 2009**

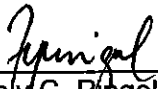
12. **INSPECTION TOUR*/DISCUSSION**

No Tour Scheduled

There being no further business to come before the Cultural Heritage Commission, the meeting adjourned at 12:16 p.m.



Richard Barron, President



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Cultural Heritage Commission

Adopted: 09-17-09