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CITY OF LOS ANGELES
Cultural Heritage Commission Minutes
May 4, 2017
200 North Spring Street, City Hall
Los Angeles, California 90012

MINUTES OF THE CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION HEREIN ARE REPORTED IN ACTION FORMAT. COMPLETE DETAILS, INCLUDING THE ENTIRE DISCUSSION, RELATING TO EACH ITEM ARE CONTAINED IN THE AUDIO RECORDING FOR THIS MEETING. COPIES OF COMPACT DISC RECORDINGS ARE AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING CENTRAL PUBLICATIONS, AT (213) 978-1255 AND ARE ALSO ACCESSIBLE ONLINE AT planning.lacity.org.

Commissioner Barron called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. with Commissioners Buelna and Milofsky present. Commissioners Kennard and Irvine were absent.

Also in attendance were Ken Bernstein, Principal City Planner representing the Director of Planning; Lambert Giessinger, Architect and Melissa Jones, Planning Assistant with the Office of Historic Resources; Kimberly Huangfu, Deputy City Attorney; Etta Armstrong, Commission Executive Assistant and Jason Wong, Senior Administrative Clerk, Commission Office Staff.

ITEM NO. 1

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ken Bernstein, Principal City Planner updated the Commission on various items of interest related to the Planning Department.

ITEM NO. 2

COMMISSION BUSINESS

Old Business

- There were no updates related to the Los Angeles Unified School District Historic Schools Investment Fund Board.
- The Commission reviewed artwork for three Historic-Cultural Monument Plaques: The Knudsen House, The Courtney Desmond Estate and the Eva K. Fudger / Howard Hughes Residence.

New Business

Advanced Calendar

There were no changes to the advanced calendar.

Commission Announcements/Request

There were no requests from the Commission.

Mills Act Historical Property Contract Program Update:

Robert Chattel and Nels Youngborg from Chattel, Inc. updated the Commission on the Mills Act Historical Property Contract Program.

Informational presentation on the status of the Charles Lummis Residence (El Alisal), Historic-Cultural Monument #68 and the proposed partnership agreement with Occidental College:

Joel Alvarez from the Department of Recreation and Parks presented an overview of the Charles Lummis Residence and discussed the proposed partnership agreement with Occidental College.

ITEM NO. 3

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PRESENTATION

There were no presentations given by any Neighborhood Council representative.

ITEM NO. 4

MONUMENT NAME: FIRESTONE TIRE BUILDING, HCM 1020

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 800 South La Brea Avenue

Council District: 4 - Ryu

Informational presentation and Commission review and comment on proposed adaptive reuse project.

MOTION:

The Commission put forth the following comment on the proposed adaptive reuse project.

1. The Commission is pleased with the direction of the current rehabilitation project.
2. The Commission appreciates the update on the status of the building.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Buelna and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Barron
Seconded: Buelna
Ayes: Barron
Absent: Irvine, Kennard

Vote: 3 - 0

MOTION PASSED

The Commission recessed at 11:50 a.m. and reconvened at 12:05 p.m. with Commissioners Barron, Buelna and Milofsky present.

ITEM NO. 5

MONUMENT NAME: JOHNNIE'S COFFEE SHOP RESTAURANT, HCM 1045

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 6101 West Wilshire Boulevard; Council District: 5 - Koretz
651 South Fairfax Avenue

Informational presentation and Commission review and comment on proposed mural project.

MOTION:

Commissioner Barron moved to address the following recommendation and request to the Department of Cultural Affairs:

1. The approval of the installation of an art mural and approval of an Art Mural Application through the Department of Cultural Affairs for a mural (Bernie Sanders mural) on the east elevation of the building.
2. The Commission requests that the mural be reduced in length by two window bays eliminating the images on the north end of the installation; and that all other extraneous signage, not in compliance with the City's sign code, be removed from the building.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Milofsky and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Barron
Seconded: Milofsky
Ayes: Buelna,
Absent: Irvine, Kennard

Vote: 3 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 6

PROPOSED MONUMENT: COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE BUILDING

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 416-436 West 8th Street;
800 South Olive Street

CHC-2017-1565-HCM
ENV-2017-1566-CE
Council District: 14 – Huizar

MOTION:

Commissioner Barron moved to take the proposed designation of the Commercial Exchange Building under consideration. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Buelna and vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Barron
Seconded: Buelna
Ayes: Milofsky
Absent: Irvine, Kennard

Vote: 3 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 7

PROPOSED MONUMENT: BERGER WINSTON APARTMENT BUILDING

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 744 South Ridgeley Drive

CHC-2017-1558-HCM
ENV-2017-1559-CE
Council District: 4 – Ryu

Commissioner Barron announced that the matter would be postponed to the meeting of June 1, 2017.

ITEM NO. 8

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No members from the public requested to address the Commission.

There being no further business to come before the Cultural Heritage Commission, the meeting adjourned at 1:26 p.m.



Richard Barron, President
Cultural Heritage Commission



Etta M. Armstrong, Commission Executive Assistant I
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