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CITY OF LOS ANGELES
Cultural Heritage Commission Minutes
December 6, 2018
200 North Spring Street, City Hall
Los Angeles, California 90012

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Commissioner Barron called the meeting to order at 9:27 a.m. with Commissioners Kanner, Kennard, and Milofsky present. Commissioner Buelna was absent.

Also in attendance were Ken Bernstein, Principal City Planner, representing the Director of Planning; Lambert Giessinger, Preservation Architect and Melissa Jones, Planning Assistant from the Office of Historic Resources; Lucy Atwood, Deputy City Attorney; Etta Armstrong, Commission Executive Assistant; Rafael Vega, Senior Administrative Clerk.

ITEM NO. 1

Director's report was taken out of order.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

Old Business

- There was no Proposed Historic-Cultural Monument Plaque Artwork to review.
- Edgar Khalatian from Mayer Brown LLP, the property owner's representative, gave a 30-day update regarding the preservation of Lytton Savings, Historic-Cultural Monument #1137, located at 8150 Sunset Boulevard. He informed the Commission that the applicant team is currently working to study the feasibility of relocating the bank building and will be advertising the building's availability on three historic preservation websites.

New Business

- There was no new business to report.
- Advanced Calendar – There were no planned absences.

ITEM NO. 2

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

There were no presentations given by the Neighborhood Council representative.

ITEM NO. 3

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

One speaker addressed the Commission during general public comment.

ITEM NO. 4

APPOINTMENT OF MICHELLE LALEZARIAN AS THE MEMBER-AT-LARGE TO THE MIRACLE MILE NORTH HISTORIC PRESERVATION OVERLAY ZONE BOARD FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM FROM DECEMBER 6, 2018 TO DECEMBER 6, 2022.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Michelle Lalezarian

MOTION:

Commissioner Kanner moved to approve the appointment of Michelle Lalezarian as the Member-At-Large to the Miracle Mile North Historic Preservation Overlay Zone Board for a four year term from December 6, 2018 to December 6, 2022. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Milofsky and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 4 – 0

ITEM NO. 5

PROPOSED MONUMENT: A.P. CARTER RESIDENCE
CHC-2018-5298-HCM

CEQA: ENV-2018-5299-CE
Plan Area: Hollywood

Council District: 4 - Ryu
Last Day to Act: 12-18-18

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 5020 Ambrose Avenue

IN ATTENDANCE:

Sherry D. Klein, owner; Anna Marie Brooks, preparer.

MOTION:

Commissioner Kennard put forth the actions below and moved to include the A.P. Carter Residence in the list of Historic-Cultural Monuments with amended findings.

1. Determine that the proposed designation is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Article 19, Section 15308, Class 8 and Article 19, Section 15331, Class 31 of the State CEQA Guidelines;
2. Determine that the property, conforms with the definition of a Monument pursuant to Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) Section 22.171.7;
3. Recommend that the City Council consider and designate the subject property a Historic-Cultural Monument; and
4. Adopt the findings as amended by the Commission.

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

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

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ken Bernstein, Principal City Planner reported the following:

- I apologize that I missed our last Commission meeting, as I and four other OHR staff members were attending PastForward, the annual National Preservation Conference hosted by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. This year's conference was in San Francisco and featured a number of sessions addressing the intersection of climate change and cultural heritage, as well as many discussions on cultural preservation – moving beyond traditional historic designation tools to identify cultural districts and help support legacy businesses.
- I'm pleased to report that our staff has successfully recorded this year's Mills Act Historical Property contracts with the County. This year we'll be adding 25 new contracts.
- And there are several Council actions to report:
 - Yesterday, the City Council approved four new Historic-Cultural Monuments – giving unanimous approval to the Aberdeen House (the Tudor Revival home in Los Feliz), the Hollywood Citizen-News Building, and the Wallace Beery's Hollywood Hideaway.
 - The HCM nomination for Times Mirror Square was also approved by the Council; however, the Council removed from the scope of the designation the William Pereira-designed addition, the Executive Building and Parking Structure.
- Last month, the Council voted to decline the nomination for the Silver Lake Service Station, though Council District 13 has been making arrangements to relocate the structure to a City-owned property.
- Finally, the HCM nomination for the Montecito Apartments was also approved, but with an amendment to exclude the parking lot, garden and other areas of the site that fall outside the four-wall perimeter of the Montecito building.

The Commission took a break at 9:52 a.m. and reconvened at 10:11 a.m.

ITEM NO. 6

PROPOSED MONUMENT: FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF VENICE

CHC-2018-5305-HCM

CEQA: ENV-2018-5306-CE

Plan Area: Venice

Council District: 11 - Bonin

Last Day to Act: 12-18-18

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 671-685 East Westminster Avenue;
686-688 East Westminster Avenue

IN ATTENDANCE:

Elaine Penske, owner; Elisa Paster, Glaser Weil, owner's representative; Margaret Molloy, preparer.

MOTION:

Commissioner Kanner put forth the actions below and moved to decline the request for inclusion of the First Baptist Church of Venice in the list of Historic-Cultural Monuments.

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

Moved: Kanner
Seconded: Kennard
Ayes: Barron
Nays: Milofsky
Absent: Buelna

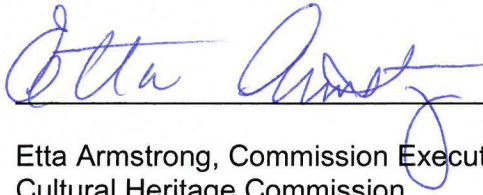
Vote: 3 – 1

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business to come before the Cultural Heritage Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.



Richard Barron, President
Cultural Heritage Commission



Etta Armstrong, Commission Executive Assistant I
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