

Cultural Heritage Commission
Official Minutes
Thursday, September 19, 2019
200 North Spring Street, 10th Floor
Los Angeles, California 90012

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Commission President Richard Barron called the regular meeting to order at 10:19 a.m. with Commission Vice President Gail Kennard and Commissioners Diane Kanner and Barry Milofsky in attendance. Commissioner Pilar Buelna was absent.

Also in attendance were Ken Bernstein, Principal City Planner, representing the Director of Planning; Lambert Giessinger, Preservation Architect, and Melissa Jones, City Planning Associate representing the Office of Historic Resources; Lucy Atwood, Deputy City Attorney; James Williams, Commission Executive Assistant II; Rafael Vega, Senior Administrative Assistant and Denise Salcedo, Commission Office Trainee.

ITEM NO. 1

DIRECTOR’S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

Ken Bernstein, Principal City Planner reported the following:

- Next week, the Department of City Planning will be launching a new website, which will be bringing together for the first time content from more than 20 separate web sites that have been created over time by our department. We have spent considerable time over the past few months consolidating and updating the content of the Office of Historic Resources and SurveyLA websites for inclusion in the new site. Some of this content will now be available on the site through new informational documents that we’re calling Office of Historic Resources Info Briefs. The HistoricPlacesLA website, created in partnership with the Getty Conservation Institute as the citywide inventory for historic resources, including the SurveyLA, will remain as a separate, stand-alone website.
- This week, the Council approved the Historic-Cultural Monument applications for the Hunter Ranch House, the Craftsman home in Mount Washington, and the Collins Hacienda in Hollywood.
- The City Council has approved Councilmember Paul Koretz’s motion (mentioned at the last meeting) to initiate a Historic-Cultural Monument application for the property at 100 Delfern Drive, a 1938 house designed by Paul R. Williams that has been best known as the Eva Gabor estate.
- The Council also approved a motion by Councilmember Curran Price to request a report on the possible creation of a program to support legacy businesses, modeled after a program in San Francisco that was approved by voters. The motion requests a report-back from the Economic and Workforce Development Department, with the Chief Legislative Analyst’s Office and City Administrative Officer. Contact has been made with those offices to offer

assistance from the Office of Historic Resources, given the significant legacy businesses identified through SurveyLA and the ethnic/cultural historic context work.

Old Business

- Review and Advisory Concurrence of Proposed Historic-Cultural Monument Plaque Artwork.
- There were no plaque artworks to present.

New Business

- Advance Calendar – There were no additions to the calendar.
- There were no Commission Announcements/Request.
- Approval of the Minutes – The meeting minutes for July 18, 2019 and August 1, 2019 were continued, by consent, to the meeting of October 17, 2019.

ITEM NO. 2

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

There were no presentations.

ITEM NO. 3

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

One speaker addressed the Commission.

ITEM NO. 4

PROPOSED MONUMENT: TOKIO FLORIST/SAKAI-KOZAWA RESIDENCE

CHC-2019-3774-HCM

CEQA: ENV-2019-3775-CE

Council District: 4 – Ryu

Plan Area: Silver Lake-Echo Park-Elysian Village

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2718 North Hyperion Avenue

IN ATTENDANCE:

Kristen Hayashi, Little Tokyo Historical Society, Rosalind Sagara, Los Angeles Conservancy, and Catherine Gudis, Preparers

Commissioner Milofsky put forth the actions below and moved to include the Tokio Florist/Sakai-Kozawa Residence in the list of Historic-Cultural Monuments.

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 LAAC Section 22.171.7; and
3. Recommend that the City Council consider and declare the subject property a Historic-Cultural Monument; and
4. Adopt the staff report findings as the findings of the Commission.

Commissioner Kanner seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

Commissioner Milofsky put forth the motion to reiterate that the new name of the proposed Historic-Cultural Monument is “Sakai-Kozawa Residence/Tokio Florist and Pole Sign”.

Commissioner Kanner seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 5

PROPOSED MONUMENT: KELLY MUSIC BUILDING

CHC-2019-3869-HCM

CEQA: ENV-2019-3870-CE
Plan Area: West Los Angeles

Council District: 5 – Kortez

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1041 South Westwood Boulevard

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IN ATTENDANCE:

Adrian Scott Fine, Los Angeles Conservancy, Applicant; Heather Goers, Historic Resources Group, Preparer, Mette Lombardo, Representative for Jamil E. Nizam, Owner

Commissioner Kennard put forth the actions below and moved to include Kelly Music Building in the list of Historic-Cultural Monuments.

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 LAAC Section 22.171.7;
3. Recommend that the City Council consider and declare the subject property a Historic-Cultural Monument; and
4. Adopt the staff report findings as the findings of the Commission.

Commissioner Kanner seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 4 – 0

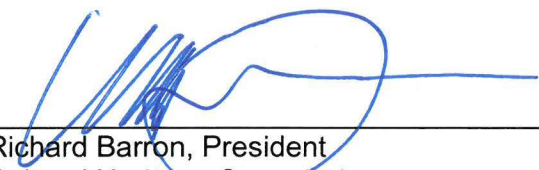
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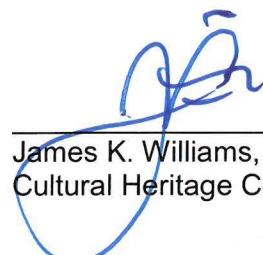
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COMMISSION OFFICE

There being no further business to come before the Cultural Heritage Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:16 a.m.



Richard Barron, President
Cultural Heritage Commission



James K. Williams, Commission Executive Assistant II
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