**Cultural Heritage Commission**
**Official Minutes**
**Thursday, November 7, 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 10:15 a.m. with Commission Vice President Gail Kennard and Commissioners Pilar Buelna, Diane Kanner and Barry Milofsky in attendance.

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 and Rafael Vega, Senior Administrative Clerk.

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**ITEM NO. 1**

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS**

Ken Bernstein, Principal City Planner reported the following:

- Ken Bernstein and Commissioner Kennard attended the first meeting of the Mayor's Civic Memory Working Group. Thirty Historians, Architects, Artists, Cultural Leaders and City Officials to discuss commemorating and interpret sites with various histories and identifying individuals deserving of public memorial or monument. A report with recommendations is expected a year from now.
- City Council Actions - Paul Koretz initiated a CHC monument application for 361 North Citrus Avenue. Following the introduction of the motion the property was demolished by permit.
- Council approved Historical Monuments for New Temple Missionary Baptist Church, Dodd Playa Del Rey Residence, Morris Abrams Chateau Des Roses and Fred C. Thomson Building.
- PLUM recommended HCM approval for Arthur and Nina Zwebell Residence, Willard Bell Residence and the Tokio Florist property. 4th Street Chateau Duplex and Kelly Music Building were continued.

**Old Business**
- Review and Advisory Concurrence of Proposed Historic-Cultural Monument Plaque Artwork.

- Plaque Artwork for the Sabsay House.

**New Business**
- Advance Calendar – There were no additions to the calendar.

- Commissioner Barron announced Charles Fisher's retirement from the Highland Park/Garvanza HPOZ.

- Approval of the Minutes – The Minutes of Meeting for July 18, 2019, August 1, 2019 and September 5, 2019 were continued indefinitely.

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**ITEM NO. 2**

**NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**
There were no presentations.

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**ITEM NO. 3**

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**
No speakers addressed the Commission.

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**ITEM NO. 4**

**RE-APPOINTMENT OF JOHN KALISKI AS THE ARCHITECT MEMBER TO THE COUNTRY CLUB PARK - OXFORD SQUARE-WILSHIRE PARK - WINDSOR VILLAGE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OVERLAY ZONE BOARD FOR A SECOND FOUR-YEAR TERM FROM NOVEMBER 7, 2019 UNTIL NOVEMBER 7, 2023.**

Commissioner Milofsky moved to re-appoint John Kaliski as the Architect Member to the Country Club Park-Oxford Square-Wilshire Park-Windsor Village HPOZ Board. Commissioner Buelna seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

**Vote: 5 – 0**

**MOTION PASSED**

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**ITEM NO. 5**

**MONUMENT: HOTEL CECIL, HCM #1140**

Plan Area: Central City Council District: 14 – Huizar

Commission review and comment on proposed rehabilitation project *(Information only).*

**Property Address:** 636-644 South Main Street

**IN ATTENDANCE:**
Jodi Eilers, The Kings Development Group and John LoCascio, Historic Resources Group

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**ITEM NO. 6**

**MONUMENT: CHARLOTTE CHASE APARTMENTS, HCM #1179**

Plan Area: Wilshire Council District: 10 – Wesson

Commission review and comment on proposed rehabilitation project.

**Property Address:** 1074-1076 South Genesee Avenue

*This item was removed from consideration at this meeting.*

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**ITEM NO. 7**

**MONUMENT: CHARLES H. BEVIS DUPLEX, HCM #1180**

Plan Area: Wilshire Council District: 10 – Wesson

Commission review and comment on proposed rehabilitation project.

**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 1080-1082 South Genesee Avenue

*This item was removed from consideration at this meeting.*

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**ITEM NO. 8**

**MONUMENT: BRYSON APARTMENTS, HCM #653**

CHC-1998-6207-HCM-CC1 Council District: 1 – Cedillo
Plan Area: Westlake

**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 2701-2715 Wilshire Boulevard;
637 South Rampart Boulevard

**IN ATTENDANCE:**
Teresa Grimes, GPA Consulting, Applicant; Rick Westberg, Richmond Group

Commissioner Milofsky put forth the actions below and moved to approve the amendment.

1. Determine that the proposed designation is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 5, Section 15061 (b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines;
2. Recommend that City Council consider and amend the boundary of Historic-Cultural Monument #653 to exclude Lot 10 of the Resubdivision of the Southerly 37 1/2 Feet of Lot 7 and Lots 8, 9 and 10 Block 8 Wilshire Boulevard Tract; and
3. Adopt the staff report as the Commission's report.

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

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

**Vote: 5 – 0**

**MOTION PASSED**

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**ITEM NO. 9**

**PROPOSED MONUMENT: C.B. VAN VORST CO. MANUFACTURING PLANT/ SANTA FE ART COLONY**

**CHC-2019-3798-HCM** CouncilDistrict: 14 – Huizar
CEQA: ENV-2019-3799-CE Last Day to Act: 11-30-19
Plan Area: Central City North

**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 2345-2421 South Santa Fe Avenue

**IN ATTENDANCE:**
Adrian Scott Fine, LA Conservancy and Evanne St. Charles, Architectural Resources Group; Chris MacConnell, Fifteen Group

Commissioner Kanner put forth the actions below and moved to include the C.B. Van Vorst Co. Manufacturing Plant/Santa Fe Art Colony 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 Kennard seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

**Vote: 5 – 0**

**MOTION PASSED**

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Commissioner Barron recessed the meeting at 12:20 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 12:25 p.m. with all Commissioners present.

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**ITEM NO. 10**

**PROPOSED MONUMENT: HAWK HOUSE**

**CHC-2019-4766-HCM**
CEQA: ENV-2019-4767-CE Council District: 13 – O'Farrell
Plan Area: Silver Lake-Echo Park- Elysian Valley Last Day to Act: 11-19-19

**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 2421-2425 Silver Ridge Avenue

**IN ATTENDANCE:**
Bryan Libit, Applicant and Jenna Snow, Preparer

Commissioner Buelna put forth the actions below and moved to include the Hawk House 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 Milofsky seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

**Vote: 5 – 0**

**MOTION PASSED**

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Commissioner Barron recessed the meeting at 12:38 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 1:15 p.m. with all Commissioners present.

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**ITEM NO. 11**

**PROPOSED MONUMENT: BOTHWELL RANCH**

**CHC-2019-5114-HCM** Council District: 3 – Blumenfield
CEQA: ENV-2019-5115-CE Last Day to Act: 11-21-19
Plan Area: Encino-Tarzana

**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 5300 North Oakdale Avenue

**IN ATTENDANCE:**
Jonathan Hagar, Intern, Office of Historic Resources; Andrew Fogg, Cox, Castle & Nicholson, LLP

Commissioner Kanner put forth the actions below and moved to include the Bothwell Ranch 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 amended by the Commission, as the findings of the Commission.

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

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

**Vote: 5 – 0**

**MOTION PASSED**

Commissioner Milofsky recused himself from Item No. 12 and left the meeting.

**ITEM NO. 12**

**MONUMENT: EDINBURGH BUNGALOW COURT, HCM #1105**

**CHC-2015-3386-HCM-CC1**
CEQA: ENV-2016-1367-EIR
Plan Area: Hollywood

Council District: 5 – Koretz
Last Day to Act: 11-20-19

**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 750-756 ½ North Edinburgh Avenue

**IN ATTENDANCE:**
Elisa L. Paster, Glaser Weil, LLP

Commissioner Barron recessed the meeting into Closed Session at 2:13 p.m. The public meeting reconvened at 2:38 p.m. with Commissioners Barron, Buelna, Kanner and Kennard present. No action was taken during the Closed Session.

Commissioner Kennard put forth the actions below and moved to approve the demolition permits for the Project.

Approval of demolition permits pursuant to Sections 22.171.14 and 22.171.15 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.

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

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| Moved: | Kennard |
| Seconded: | Buelna |
| Ayes: | Barron, Kanner |
| Recused: | Milofsky |

**Vote:** **4 – 0**

**MOTION PASSED**

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| Moved: | Kennard |
| Seconded: | Buelna |
| Ayes: | Barron, Kanner |
| Recused: | Milofsky |

**Vote:** **4 – 0**

**MOTION PASSED**

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There being no further business to come before the Cultural Heritage Commission, the meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Richard Barron, President
Cultural Heritage Commission

James K. Williams, Commission Executive Assistant II
Cultural Heritage Commission

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