Cultural Heritage Commission
Official Minutes
Thursday, December 3, 2020
(VIA TELECONFERENCE)

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In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (March 17, 2020) and due to concerns over COVID19, the Cultural Heritage Commission meeting was conducted telephonically.

Commission President Richard Barron called the regular meeting to order at 10:06 a.m., with Commission Vice President Gail Kennard and Commissioners 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, Shannon Ryan, Senior City Planner and Melissa Jones, City Planning Associate representing the Office of Historic Resources; Kimberly Huangfu, Deputy City Attorney; James K. Williams, Commission Executive Assistant II; and Diego Vasquez, Commission Office Staff.

Commissioner Pilar Buelna joined the meeting at 10:13 a.m. during the Director's Report.

ITEM NO. 1

DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

Ken Bernstein, Principal City Planner reported the following:

- The Office of Historic Resources is co-sponsoring an event with the Los Angeles Conservancy on the topic of legacy businesses; it will be held as a Zoom meeting on Thursday, December 10, 2020;
- Last month the Office of Historic Resources held a Zoom outreach meeting in the Venice Community for the update of the Historic Resources survey for the Venice Coastal Zone. This work will help inform the update of the Venice Community Plan and inform the accompanying local Coastal Planning leading to deeper community engagement and help to identify historic resources in the Oakwood community with its significant African-American legacy ;
- The City Council last week approved five Historic- Cultural Monuments including the Jennie C. Brayton Building; the Borun House and Garden, the King Edward Hotel, the Sam and Jane Taylor House and Stanley Burke's/Corky's Coffee Shop. The Council also initiated a nomination for a grouping of Palm Trees along March Avenue;
- The Planning and Land Use Management Committee continued their consideration of the School for Eye Education to January and the Morris Kight Residence for 60 days at the request of the property owner; and

- The Commission-requested discussion on hazardous abatement work as it may affect Historic-Cultural Monuments will be held on December 17, 2020.

Old Business

- Review and Advisory Concurrence of Proposed Historic-Cultural Monument Plaque Artwork. There was no artwork.

New Business

- Advance Calendar - There were no changes to the advance calendar.
- Commission Announcements/Requests - There were no announcements or requests.

ITEM NO. 2

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
There were no presentations.

ITEM NO. 3

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
Several speakers addressed the Commission.

ITEM NO. 4

Appointment of Alan Lu as the Member-At-Large to the Highland Park-Garvanza Historic Preservation Overlay Zone Board for a Four-Year Term from December 3, 2020 to December 3, 2024

Commissioner Kanner moved to appoint Alan Lu as the Member-at-Large to the Highland Park-Garvanza HPOZ. Commissioner Buelna seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 5

PROPOSED MONUMENT: HERRINGTON RESIDENCE

CHC-2020-3761-HCM
CEQA: ENV-2020-3762-CE Council District: 5 – Koretz
Plan Area: Bel Air – Beverly Crest

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1100 North Acanto Place

IN ATTENDANCE:
Charles J. Fisher, Preparer

Commissioner Milofsky put forth the actions below and moved to include the Herrington 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;
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, Buelna, Kennard

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 6

PROPOSED MONUMENT: SEITER RESIDENCE

CHC-2020-5538-HCM
CEQA: ENV-2020-5539-CE Council District: 4 - Ryu
Plan Area: Sherman Oaks – Studio City – Toluca Lake – Cahuenga Pass

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2924 North Montcalm Avenue

IN ATTENDANCE:

Evanne St. Charles, Architectural Resources Group, Preparer and Pier F. Carrozzini, Owner/Applicant

Commissioner Kanner put forth the actions below and moved to include Seiter 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;
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 Barron seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 7

PROPOSED MONUMENT: ART A. SMITH COURTYARD APARTMENTS

CHC-2020-6841-HCM
CEQA: ENV-2020-6842-CE Council District: 5 – Koretz
Plan Area: Wilshire

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 340 – 344 North Sierra Bonita Avenue

IN ATTENDANCE:
Charles Fisher and Steven Luftman, Preparers and Dale R. Kendall, Owner/Applicant

Commissioner Milofsky moved to take the proposed designation of Art A. Smith Courtyard Apartments under consideration; and adopt the staff report findings as the findings of the Commission.

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

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

Vote: **5 – 0**

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business to come before the Cultural Heritage Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

Richard Barron (Electronic Signature)
Richard Barron, President
Cultural Heritage Commission

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

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