

Cultural Heritage Commission
Official Minutes
Thursday, September 17, 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 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, 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.

ITEM NO. 1

DIRECTOR’S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

Ken Bernstein, Principal City Planner reported the following:

- The deadline for participation in the 2020 Census is September 30, 2020;
- Councilmember Mike Bonin this week introduced a motion to re-initiate a Historic-Cultural Monument application for the First Baptist Church of Venice in the Oakwood community, which was previously declined by the Cultural Heritage Commission;
- The Council this week took final action to approve the Historic-Cultural Monument applications for the John Lary and Pauline Kuhns House, the Bonnet House, the Walter Bollenbacher Duplex, and the Desmond’s Building; and
- The City Council approved the re-appointment of Commissioner Diane Kanner to the Cultural Heritage Commission.

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.

- Minutes of Meetings - April 17, 2020; May 7, 2020; and May 21, 2020

Commissioner Kennard moved to adopt the minutes of April 17, 2020; May 7, 2020; and May 21, 2020. Commissioner Kanner seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 2

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

There were no presentations.

ITEM NO. 3

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Several speakers addressed the Commission.

ITEM NO. 4

LINCOLN HEIGHTS HPOZ BOUNDARY CHANGE

CPC-2003-5342-HPOZ-M2

CEQA: ENV-2019-4984-ND

Plan Area: Northeast Los Angeles

Council District: 1 – Cedillo

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2429, 2435, 2439, 2445, 2455 North Thomas Street

Commission certification of a boundary change to the Lincoln Heights Historic Preservation Overlay Zone (HPOZ) to expand the HPOZ boundary to include 2429, 2435, 2439, 2445 and 2455 N. Thomas Street as a Contributing Element in the HPOZ.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Jonathan Kaplan, Planning Assistant, Office of Historic Resources ; Shannon Ryan, Senior City Planner, Office of Historic Resources

Commissioner Milofsky moved to certify the proposed boundary change, recommend that the City Council adopt the boundary change to the Lincoln Heights HPOZ, and adopt the Negative Declaration. Commissioner Buelna seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 5

EARL CARROLL THEATRE, HCM #1136

Plan Area: Hollywood

Council District: 13 – O’Farrell

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 6230 Sunset Boulevard

Commission Review and Comment on Proposed Rehabilitation Project.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Racheal Stoddard, Essex Property Trust, Inc.; Margarita Jerabek-Bray, ESA; and Dick Gee, Spectra Company; Roger Bray, Bray Architects; and Paul Greenstein and Paul Stokes, Signmakers representing Essex Property Trust, Owner

Informational presentation on the Proposed Rehabilitation project. No action was taken by the Commission.

ITEM NO. 6

CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL, LOS ANGELES TO ANAHEIM PROJECT SECTION

Plan Area: Central City North

Council District: 14 – Huizar

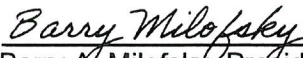
Informational presentation from the California High-Speed Rail Authority and Commission review and comment on proposed project’s impacts to City Historic-Cultural Monuments

IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeff Carr, Cultural Resources Lead, and Brent Rushing, Cultural Resource Program Manager representing the California High Speed Rail Authority

For information only. No action was taken by the Commission.

There being no further business to come before the Cultural Heritage Commission, the meeting adjourned at 12:39 p.m.


Barry A. Milofsky, President
Cultural Heritage Commission

(Electronic Signature)


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

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