

Cultural Heritage Commission
Official Minutes
Thursday, January 6, 2022
(VIA TELECONFERENCE)

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In accordance with Government Code Section 54953, subsections (e)(1) and (e)(3), and in light of the State of Emergency proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020 relating to COVID-19 and ongoing concerns that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees and/or that the State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person, the Cultural Heritage Commission’s January 6, 2022 meeting was conducted via telephone and/or videoconferencing.

Commission President Barry Milofsky called the regular meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commission Vice President Gail Kennard and Commissioners Richard Barron, Pilar Buelna, and Diane Kanner 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 K. Williams, Commission Executive Assistant II; and Diego Vasquez, Commission Office Staff

ITEM NO. 1

DETERMINATION TO CONTINUE HOLDING MEETINGS VIA TELECONFERENCE

Motion Required. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)(B)-(C), and (e)(3)(A) and (e)(3)(B)(i), determination that COVID-19 State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person and possible Commission action.

Commissioner Kennard moved to adopt the resolution under which the Commission finds that holding meetings in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

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

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 2

DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

Ken Bernstein, Principal City Planner, had no report.

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 requests from the Commissioners.

ITEM NO. 3

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

No speakers addressed the Commission during Neighborhood Council presentations

ITEM NO. 4

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no speakers who addressed the Commission during the general public comment period.

ITEM NO. 5

APPOINTMENT OF BLAIR PETTIGREW AS THE MEMBER-AT-LARGE TO THE PICO-UNION HISTORIC PRESERVATION OVERLAY ZONE BOARD FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM FROM JANUARY 6, 2022 TO JANUARY 6, 2026.

IN ATTENDANCE: Blair Pettigrew

Commissioner Kennard moved to appoint Blair Pettigrew as the Member-At-Large to the Pico-Union Historic Preservation Overlay Zone Board for a four-year term ending January 6, 2026.

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

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

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 6

PROPOSED MONUMENT: DR. FONG Q. AND LORRAINE JING RESIDENCE

[CHC-2021-8584-HCM](#)

CEQA: ENV-2021-8585-CE
Plan Area: Northeast Los Angeles

Council District: 1 – Cedillo

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 4414 East Palmero Drive

IN ATTENDANCE:

Virginia Paca, Virginia W. Paca Architects, Applicant; and John J. Gray, Owner

Commissioner Buelna put forth the actions below and moved to include the Dr. Fong Q. and Lorraine Jing 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 whether 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 Findings of the staff report as the Findings of the Commission.

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

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

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 7

PROPOSED MONUMENT: A.C. TOBIAS RESIDENCE

CHC-2021-10146-HCM

CEQA: ENV-2021-10147-CE

Plan Area: South Los Angeles

Council District: 8 – Harris-Dawson

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2915 – 2919 South Budlong Avenue

IN ATTENDANCE:

Anna Marie Brooks, Preparer; Antonio Guerrero and Connor Hurley, Owners

Commissioner Barron moved to take the proposed designation of the A.C. Tobias Residence under consideration; and adopt the Findings of the staff report as the Findings of the Commission.

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

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

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business to come before the Cultural Heritage Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

Barry Milofsky

Barry A. Milofsky, President
Cultural Heritage Commission

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(Electronic Signature
on behalf of)

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

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