

Cultural Heritage Commission
Official Minutes
Thursday, August 19, 2021
(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 Barry Milofsky called the regular meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. with Commissioners Richard Barron, Diane Kanner, and Gail Kennard 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; 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 Vazquez, Commission Office Staff

ITEM NO. 1

DIRECTOR’S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

Ken Bernstein, Principal City Planner reported the following:

- The City Council is back in session from summer recess;
- The Planning and Land Use Management Committee (PLUM) recommended approval of the Historic- Cultural Monument nominations for the Mechicano Art Center and Centro de Arte Público in Highland Park. PLUM also recommended approval of the nomination for the March Avenue Palm Trees in West Hills;
- The Committee continued to future dates the nominations for the Morris Kight Residence in Westlake and Bothwell Ranch in Tarzana;
- The City Council initiated an Historic- Cultural Monument nomination for the Hollywood Forever Cemetery. The Commission will see the case some time in Fall;
- On Friday August 20, 2021, the City of Los Angeles Personnel Department is opening the exam for Planning Assistant which is an entry level Planning position ; and
- Today the Planning Department posted a new sub-context developed for the SurveyLA Citywide Historic Context Statement on the website. It is called LA Modernism 1919-1980. It is a 200-plus page document that creates a comprehensive framework for identifying, evaluating, and designating historic resources that reflect a range of Modernist architectural styles as well as City Planning movements over the decades of the 20th Century. There will be a full presentation at the next Cultural Heritage Commission meeting on September 2, 2021.

Old Business

- Review and Advisory Concurrence of Proposed Historic-Cultural Monument Plaque Artwork. The Commission approved plaque artwork for the Sam and Jane Taylor House and the Art A. Smith Courtyard Apartments by consent.

New Business

- Advance Calendar – Commissioner Kanner will excuse herself at noon at the September 2, 2021 meeting.
- Commission Announcements/Requests – Commissioner Milofsky announced that he would step down from the ADU subcommittee, and appointed Commissioner Barron to take his place, along with Commissioner Kennard.
- Meeting Minutes - August 6, 2020, September 3, 2020, and September 17, 2020

Commissioner Kanner moved to adopt the minutes of August 6, 2020, September 3, 2020, and September 17, 2020. Commissioner Barron seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 4 – 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

PROPOSED MONUMENT: **CANTAROW RESIDENCE**

[CHC-2021-6267-HCM](#)

CEQA: ENV-2021-6268-CE

Plan Area: Hollywood

Council District: 4 – Raman

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1130 North Sunset Vale Avenue

IN ATTENDANCE:

Kerry Addica, Preparer ; Oren Segal, Owner

Commissioner Kanner moved to take the proposed designation of the Cantarow Residence under consideration; and adopt the staff report findings.

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

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

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 5

PROPOSED MONUMENT: **FIRE STATION NO. 14**

[CHC-2021-6169-HCM](#)

CEQA: ENV-2021-6170-CE

Plan Area: Southeast Los Angeles

Council District: 9 – Price

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 3401 South Central Avenue

IN ATTENDANCE:

Teresa Grimes, Teresa Grimes Historic Preservation

Commissioner Kennard moved to take the proposed designation of Fire Station No. 14 under consideration; and adopt the staff report findings.

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

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

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 6

PROPOSED MONUMENT: KUROMI-ITO PROPERTY

[CHC-2021-6319-HCM](#)

CEQA: ENV-2021-6320-CE
Plan Area: Hollywood

Council District: 4 – Raman

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1979 – 1991 North Alexandria Avenue

IN ATTENDANCE:

Brian Curran, Hollywood Heritage, Applicant; Brady McShane, Greenberg Traurig, LLP,
representing LA21A LLC c/o Ted Dolan, Owners; and Carrie Chasteen, Sapphos
Environmental Inc. representing Ted Dolan, Owner

Commissioner Kennard moved to take the proposed designation of the Kuromi-Ito Property under consideration; and adopt the staff report findings.

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

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

Vote: 2 – 2

MOTION FAILED

Commissioner Milofsky moved to take the proposed designation of the Kuromi-Ito Property under consideration; and adopt the staff report findings as amended by the Commission to exclude 1979 North Alexandria Avenue from the boundary of the Proposed Monument.

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

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

Vote: 3 – 1

MOTION PASSED

The meeting recessed for a break at 11:42 a.m. and reconvened at 11:48 a.m. with Commissioners Milofsky, Barron, Kanner, and Kennard in attendance.

ITEM NO. 7

PROPOSED MONUMENT: BANK OF AMERICA

[CHC-2021-6155-HCM](#)

CEQA: ENV-2021-6156-CE
Plan Area: Central City North

Council District: 1 – Cedillo

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 842 – 858 North Broadway Avenue;
222 West College Street;
833 – 839 North New High Street

IN ATTENDANCE:

Jenna Snow, Preparer; Rosalind Sagara, Los Angeles Conservancy, Applicant; Charlie Moore, representing Bank of America, Owner

Commissioner Milofsky moved to take the proposed designation of Bank of America under consideration; and adopt the staff report findings.

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

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

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business to come before the Cultural Heritage Commission, the meeting adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

Barry Milofsky (Electronic Signature)

Barry A. Milofsky, President
Cultural Heritage Commission

Alice Inawat (Electronic Signature
on behalf of)

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

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