

Cultural Heritage Commission

Official Minutes

Thursday, June 16, 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 June 16, 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 and Diane Kanner in attendance.

Commissioner Pilar Buelna was not in attendance.

Also in attendance were Shannon Ryan, Senior City Planner, representing the Director of Planning; Lambert Giessinger, Preservation Architect; Melissa Jones, City Planning Associate; Kimberly Huangfu, Deputy City Attorney; Alice Inawat, Commission Executive Assistant; and Diego Vazquez, 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), a determination that the COVID-19 State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person and possible Commission action.

Commissioner Kanner 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 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

DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

Shannon Ryan, Senior City Planner, had several items of interest:

- On Tuesday, June 14, 2022, the Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee held a special meeting in which they considered and recommended the approval of six Historic-Cultural Monument nominations. This was for the A.C. Tobias Residence, Mission Hills Bowl, Cantarow Residence, Oliver House, Loren Miller Residence, and the Throop House. These will all move on to full Council for consideration.
- On Friday, June 10, 2022, the Council adopted the Danziger Studio and Residence, Ozawa Boarding House/Obayashi Employment Agency, and the Joyce Boarding House/ Ozawa Residence as Historic-Cultural Monuments. This brings our total number of Monuments up to 1,258.
- On Tuesday, June 14, 2022, the Legacy Business Program went before the Economic Development and Jobs Committee. There were several amendments introduced in Committee that will move forward to Council. Amendments include reducing the number of years of operation for an eligible legacy business from 30 to 20 years, adding additional criteria to exclude national chain stores, and that a business provides vital goods and services in a language and manner that is culturally accessible to the community. The amendments also included direction for the Economic and Workforce Development Department to be the sole administrator of the Program and for the Small Business Commission to review the applications rather than involve the Department of City Planning and the Cultural Heritage Commission in application review.

Old Business

- There was no old business.

New Business

- There was no new business.
- Advance Calendar – There were changes to the Advance Calendar.
 - The July 7, 2022 regular meeting will not be canceled.
- Commission Announcements/Requests – There were no announcements from the Commissioners.

ITEM NO. 3

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

There were no speakers who addressed the Commission during Neighborhood Council presentations.

ITEM NO. 4

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

There was one speaker who addressed the Commission during the general public comment period.

ITEM NO. 5

APPOINTMENT OF MICHELE MCDONOUGH AS THE ARCHITECT MEMBER TO THE WEST ADAMS TERRACE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OVERLAY ZONE BOARD FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM FROM JUNE 16, 2022 TO JUNE 16, 2026.

IN ATTENDANCE: Michele McDonough

Commission Vice President Kennard moved to appoint Michele McDonough as the Architect Member to the West Adams Terrace Historic Preservation Overlay Zone Board for a four-year term ending June 16, 2026.

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

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

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

Commission President Milofsky called Item No. 8 out of order.

ITEM NO. 8

PROPOSED MONUMENT: MORRIS KIGHT MCCADDEN PLACE RESIDENCE

[CHC-2022-3605-HCM](#)

CEQA: ENV-2022-3606-CE
Plan Area: Hollywood

Council District: 13 – O'Farrell

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1428 – 1430 North McCadden Place

MOTION:

Commissioner Kanner moved to continue the matter to a date certain of August 18, 2022. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Barron and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 6

MONUMENT: CLIFF MAY HOUSE NO. 3, HCM #1247

Plan Area: Brentwood – Pacific Palisades

Council District: 11 – Bonin

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1500 –1505 North Old Oak Road; 13263 Sunset Boulevard

Informational Presentation on the Proposed Rehabilitation of the Monument.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Robert Chattel, Chattel, Inc., representing the Owner.

ITEM NO. 7

PROPOSED MONUMENT: QUEEN OF ELYSIAN HEIGHTS

[CHC-2022-424-HCM](#)

CEQA: ENV-2022-435-CE

Council District: 13 – O'Farrell

Plan Area: Silver Lake – Echo Park – Elysian Valley

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2004 North Echo Park Avenue; 1553 West Ewing Street

IN ATTENDANCE:

Charles J. Fisher, Preparer; and Ansis Hoheisel on behalf of Council District 13, representing Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell.

Commissioner Kanner put forth the actions below and moved to include the Queen of Elysian Heights 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: Kanner
Seconded: Barron
Ayes: Kennard, Milofsky
Absent: Buelna

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 9

PROPOSED MONUMENT: 15526 PLUMMER STREET

[CHC-2022-3646-HCM](#)

CEQA: ENV-2022-3647-CE

Council District: 7 – Rodriguez

Plan Area: Mission Hills – Panorama City – North Hills

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 15526 West Plummer Street

IN ATTENDANCE:

Samantha Murray, South Environmental, Preparer; Debora Masterson, North Hills Preservation Consortium, Applicant, and Paola Bassignana on behalf of Council District 7, representing Councilmember Monica Rodriguez.

Commission Vice President Kennard moved to take the proposed designation of 15526 Plummer Street under consideration, and 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: Kennard
Seconded: Barron
Ayes: Kanner, Milofsky
Absent: Buelna

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business to come before the Cultural Heritage Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Barry Milofsky (Electronic Signature)

Barry A. Milofsky, President
Cultural Heritage Commission

Alice Inawat

Alice Inawat, Commission Executive Assistant
Cultural Heritage Commission

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