

Cultural Heritage Commission
Official Minutes
Thursday, December 2, 2021
(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 December 2, 2021 meeting was conducted via telephone and/or videoconferencing.

Commission President Barry Milofsky called the regular meeting to order at 10:03 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 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 Sections 54953(e)(1)(B)-(C), (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 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 Kanner seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 2

DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

Ken Bernstein, Principal City Planner, reported the following:

- The Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee recommended approval of the Historic-Cultural Monument nomination for the Fairfax Theatre and the case will move on to the full City Council.
- There are two HCM nominations that are returning to the PLUM Committee. These are the Taix Restaurant in Echo Park and the Chili Bowl in Mar Vista. Both items involve pending litigation regarding alleged Brown Act violations. Members of the public indicated that their testimony had not been taken by the Committee when those items were heard at PLUM originally. The Committee will be considering whether to rescind the prior Council Actions and to re-hear those two items again, providing additional opportunities for public testimony.
- The City Council adopted the new Housing Element of the General Plan, which will guide the City's Housing Policy through 2029. In this round, the State is requiring that cities identify adequate sites in their Housing Elements to accommodate each City's Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) and must rezone properties within three years to make up any shortfall in housing capacity. The Office of Historic Resources will continue to work with its City Planning colleagues to ensure that the Department's ultimate approach to rezoning would minimize impacts to historic resources and takes advantage of opportunities for historic resources to provide housing, such as through adaptive reuse.

New Business

- Advance Calendar – There were no changes to the Advance Calendar.
- Commission Announcements/Requests – There were no announcements or requests.
- The Minutes for August 5, 2021, August 19, 2021, and September 2, 2021 were continued to the next meeting.

ITEM NO. 3

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

One Neighborhood Council submitted a statement and provided comments for Item 04 General Public Comment.

ITEM NO. 4

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Several speakers addressed the Commission during general public comment.

ITEM NO. 5

RE-APPOINTMENT OF AMY AQUINO AS THE MEMBER-AT-LARGE TO THE SUNSET-SPAULDING HISTORIC PRESERVATION OVERLAY ZONE BOARD FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM FROM DECEMBER 2, 2021 TO DECEMBER 2, 2025.

Commissioner Kennard moved to re-appoint Amy Aquino as the Member-at-Large to the Sunset-Spauldning Historic Preservation Overlay Zone Board.

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

ITEM NO. 6

RE-APPOINTMENT OF PEYTON HALL AS THE ARCHITECT MEMBER TO THE ANGELINO HEIGHTS HISTORIC PRESERVATION OVERLAY ZONE BOARD FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM FROM DECEMBER 2, 2021 TO DECEMBER 2, 2025.

Commissioner Barron moved to re-appoint Peyton Hall as the Architect Member to the Angelino Heights Historic Preservation Overlay Zone Board.

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

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

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 7

RE-APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL NIGOSIAN AS THE ARCHITECT MEMBER TO MIRACLE MILE NORTH HISTORIC PRESERVATION OVERLAY ZONE BOARD FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM FROM DECEMBER 2, 2021 TO DECEMBER 2, 2025.

Commissioner Kanner moved to re-appoint Michael Nigosian as the Architect Member to the Miracle Mile North Historic Preservation Overlay Zone Board.

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. 8

PROPOSED MONUMENT: PACIFIC DINING CAR

[CHC-2021-9217-HCM](#)

CEQA: ENV-2021-9218-CE
Plan Area: Westlake

Council District: 1 – Cedillo

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1300 - 1314 West 6th Street

IN ATTENDANCE:

Katie Horak, Architectural Resources Group, Preparer; Douglas E. Vance, Bulchalter, Applicant

Commissioner Kennard moved to take the proposed designation of the Pacific Dining Car 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: Kennard
Seconded: Kanner
Ayes: Barron, Milofsky
Absent: Buelna

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 9

PROPOSED MONUMENT: PHILIP AHN / KURT COBAIN RESIDENCE

[CHC-2021-9228-HCM](#)

CEQA: ENV-2021-9229-CE
Plan Area: Hollywood

Council District: 4 – Raman

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 6877 - 6881 West Alta Loma Terrace

IN ATTENDANCE:

Jenna Snow, Preparer; Rosalind Sagara, Los Angeles Conservancy, Applicant; and Arthur Jafa, Owner

Commissioner Kennard moved to take the proposed designation of the Philip Ahn / Kurt Cobain Residence under consideration; and adopt the Findings of the staff report as the Findings of the Commission.

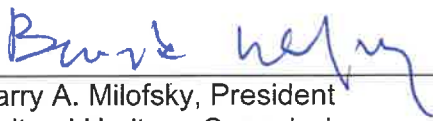
Commissioner Milofsky seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 3 – 1

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business to come before the Cultural Heritage Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.



Barry A. Milofsky, President
Cultural Heritage Commission



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

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