

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

Room 280A 455 North Rexford Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90210

DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

March 7, 2019 1:30 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time:

March 7, 2019 / 1:30 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present:

Commissioners Pressman, Spann, Sharifi, Vice Chair Bernstein,

Chair Sherman

Commissioners Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Mark Odell, Georgana Millican, Karen Myron

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Members of the public may address the Commission regarding any items not on the Agenda that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. By State law, the Commission may not discuss or vote on items not on the Agenda.

Speakers:

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By Order of the Chair, the agenda was approved as presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Consideration of Minutes of the Design Review Commission regular meeting of February 7, 2019.

2. 211 NORTH OAKHURST DRIVE (PL1820497)

A request for an R-1 Design Review Permit to allow the construction of a new two-story single-family residence located in the Central Area of the City, south of Santa Monica Boulevard. Pursuant to the provisions set forth in the California Environmental Act (CEQA), the Design Review Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption for this project. (Continued from the December 6, 2018 Design Review Commission meeting and will be continued to the April 4, 2019 Design Review Commission meeting.)

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Motion: MOVED by Vice Chair Bernstein, SECONDED by Commissioner

Sharifi to adopt the Consent Calendar as presented (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Pressman, Spann, Sharifi, Vice Chair Bernstein,

Chair Sherman

NOES: None

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

None

CONTINUED BUSINESS

3. 901 WHITTIER DRIVE (PL1820274)

A resolution of the Design Review Commission of the City of Beverly Hills denying an R-1 Design Review Permit to allow the construction of a new two-story single-family residence located in the Central Area of the City, north of Santa Monica Boulevard (Continued from the February 7, 2019 Design Review Commission meeting.)

Project Planner: Georgana Millican, Associate Planner

Project Applicant: John Ruzicka, Architect

Public Input: None

Staff noted that, subsequent to the publishing of the agenda packet, the applicant had submitted a request to continue the item to the April 4, 2019 Design Review Commission meeting.

Motion: MOVED by Chair Sherman, SECONDED by Commissioner Sharifi

to continue the item to the April 4, 2019 Design Review Commission

regular meeting (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Pressman, Spann, Sharifi, Vice Chair Bernstein,

Chair Sherman

NOES: None

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

No items

STUDY SESSION

4. CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

Review the City Council and Design Review Commission priorities and provide comments as appropriate.

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Project Planner:

Mark Odell, Urban Designer

Public Input:

None

The Commission received the staff report and discussed potential topics to prioritize. The Commission concurred with the following potential priorities as presented by staff:

- Updating the bulk and mass design guidelines for single-family residential projects (continuing project)
- Revisiting and updating the Residential Design Style Catalog

Additionally, the Commission reexamined the topic of potentially expanding Design Review to the Hillside Area of the City, and requested that the topic be re-agendized for discussion.

Potential permit streamlining was also discussed, however as it does not fall under the purview of the Design Review Commission, it was not added to the Commission's list of priorities. Staff discussed the possibility of organizing an Ad Hoc meeting comprised of staff and the Chair and Vice Chair to discuss ways that the Design Review Commission can assist in educating the public about Design Review and associated permitting processes.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Mayor's Cabinet Meeting
 - Meeting video is available online

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

- Urban Designer Updates
 - Urban Designer Mark Odell advised that at its upcoming April meeting, the Cultural Heritage Commission will be discussing potential expansion of the City's Mills Act program.

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5. 2019 Meeting Schedule

o Received and filed

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time:

March 7, 2019 / 2:04 PM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 4TH DAY OF APRIL, 2019

Ilona Sherman. Chair