



**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS**  
455 N. Rexford Drive  
Beverly Hills, California 90210

**CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**July 9, 2014  
1:30 PM**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Date / Time: July 9, 2014 / 1:40 PM

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Greer, Pynoos, Furie, Vice Chair Beck, Chair Waldow.

Commissioners Absent: None.

Staff Present: William Crouch, Reina Kapadia, Karen Myron, David Snow; Jan Ostashay (City Historic Consultant).

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Speakers: Paul Rohoer

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Furie, Second by Vice Chair Beck to approve the agenda as amended, moving item #5, Regina Fine Arts Theatre, 8554 Wilshire Boulevard, to be heard ahead of item #1 (5-0).

Action: The agenda was approved as amended.

*(Taken out of order)*

**5. Landmark Nomination for inclusion onto Local Register of Historic Properties of the 'Regina Fine Arts Theatre' at 8554 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills.**

Adopt a resolution recommending City Council designate 'Regina Fine Arts Theatre' at 8554 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills as a Local Landmark.

Planner: William Crouch, Urban Designer

Owner Representative: Jennifer Hughes

Public Input: None.

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- Motion:** Motion by Commissioner Furie, Second by Vice Chair Beck to continue the item to a date uncertain (5-0).
- Action:** **The item was continued to a date uncertain.**

*(Return to order)*

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Minutes of the Cultural Heritage Commission Special Meeting of June 3, 2014.

- Motion:** Motion by Commissioner Furie, Second by Commissioner Greer to approve the minutes as presented (5-0).
- Action:** **The minutes were approved as presented.**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS – CONTINUED BUSINESS**

2. **Landmark Nomination for Inclusion onto Local Register of Historic Properties of the Caldwell Residence at 805 N. Linden Drive, Beverly Hills.**

Adopt a resolution recommending City Council designate the Caldwell Residence at 805 N. Linden Drive, Beverly Hills as a Local Landmark.

*By Order of the Chair, this item was temporarily tabled to allow staff time to copy and distribute information from the owner's representative, which was received after the agenda packet was distributed.*

3. **Landmark Nomination for inclusion onto Local Register of Historic Properties of 'Heegaard – Writers and Artists Building' at 9507 Santa Monica Boulevard, Beverly Hills.**

Adopt a resolution recommending City Council designate the 'Heegaard – Writers and Artists Building' at 9507 Santa Monica Boulevard, Beverly Hills as a Local Landmark.

- Planner:** William Crouch, Urban Designer
- Public Input:** None.

- Motion:** Motion by Commissioner Furie, Second by Commissioner Greer to approve the resolution as amended (5-0).
- Action:** **The resolution was approved as amended.**

4. **Landmark Nomination for inclusion onto Local Register of 'Ahmanson Bank and Trust Building' at 9145 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills.**

Adopt a resolution recommending City Council designate the 'Ahmanson Bank and Trust Building' at 9145 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, as a Local Landmark.

Planner: William Crouch, Urban Designer  
Owner Representative: Benny Vargas  
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Greer, Second by Commissioner Pynoos to approve the resolution as presented (5-0).

**Action: The resolution was approved as presented.**

*The Commission took a recess at 2:07pm*

*The Commission reconvened at 2:23pm*

**2. Landmark Nomination for inclusion onto Local Register of Historic Properties of the Caldwell Residence at 805 N. Linden Drive, Beverly Hills. (Item resumed)**

Adopt a resolution recommending City Council designate the Caldwell Residence at 805 N. Linden Drive, Beverly Hills as a Local Landmark.

Planner: William Crouch, Urban Designer  
Jan Ostashay, City Historic Consultant  
Review Consultants: Christy McAvoy, FAIA, Christine Lazaretto  
Owner Representatives: Steve Webb, Margarita Wuellner, Ph.D.  
Public Input: Marcello Vavala (LA Conservancy), Kimberly Reiss

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Greer, Second by Commissioner Pynoos to approve the resolution as amended (5-0).

**Action: The resolution was approved as amended.**

**ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR 2014-2015**

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Pynoos, Second by Commissioner Furie to elect Vice Chair Beck as new Chair (5-0).

**Action: Vice Chair Beck was elected new Chair.**

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Waldow, Second by Commissioner Furie to elect Commissioner Greer as new Vice Chair (5-0).

**Action: Commissioner Greer was elected new Vice Chair.**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS – NEW BUSINESS**

*Citing property ownership by a family member, Commissioner Furie recused himself from item #6, 625 Mountain Drive.*

**6. Initiation of Nomination Proceedings for inclusion onto Local Register of Historic Properties of the Master Architect Property at 625 Mountain Drive, Beverly Hills.**

Forward the Initiation of the Master Architect Property at 625 Mountain Drive, Beverly Hills to the Director for a report and recommendation.

Planner: William Crouch, Urban Designer  
Owner Representative: Steve Webb  
Public Input: Eleanor Schrader, Murray Fischer

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Greer, Second by Commissioner Pynoos to initiate nomination proceedings for inclusion on the Local Register of Historic Properties (4-1, Furie recused).

**Action: Approved to initiate nomination proceedings.**

*Commissioner Furie returned to the meeting at 5:02pm*

*(Taken out of Order)*

**8. Landmark Nomination for inclusion onto Local Register of Historic Properties of Master Architect Property at 707 Walden Drive, Beverly Hills.**

Adopt a resolution recommending City Council designate the Master Architect Property at 707 Walden Drive, Beverly Hills as a Local Landmark.

*Ex Parte Communications: Chair Beck disclosed that she had an email conversation with one of the prior owners of the property at 707 Walden Drive.*

Planner: William Crouch, Urban Designer  
Jan Ostashay, City Historic Consultant  
Property Owners: William and Jody Faye  
Public Input: None.

Motion; Motion by Commissioner Furie, Second by Vice Chair Greer to approve the resolution as presented (5-0).

**Action: The resolution was approved as presented.**

*(Return to Order)*

**7. Initiation of Nomination Proceedings and Landmark Nomination for inclusion onto Local Register of Historic Properties of the Master Architect Property at 1220 Benedict Canyon Drive, Beverly Hills.**

Initiate nomination proceedings, and adopt a resolution recommending City Council designate the Master Architect Property at 1220 Benedict Canyon Drive, Beverly Hills as a Local Landmark.

Planner: William Crouch, Urban Designer  
Jan Ostashay, City Historic Consultant

Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Furie, Second by Vice Chair Greer to initiate nomination proceedings for inclusion on the Local Register of Historic Properties (5-0).

**Action: Approved to initiate nomination proceedings.**

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Furie, Second by Vice Chair Greer to approve the resolution as amended (5-0).

**Action: The resolution was approved as amended.**

**STUDY SESSION**

**9. Historic Walking Tour and Mobile Application**

Staff report and discussion on a Mobile Application under development by the City, which will include a component on Historic Places and a self-guided historic walking tour.

Planner: Reina Kapadia, Associate Planner  
Iris Wan, Intern

Action: The Commission reviewed the Historic Walking Tour and Mobile Application and provided feedback, but took no formal action on this item.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE URBAN DESIGNER**

- Urban Designer William Crouch advised the Commission that staff is working on scheduling a workshop retreat for the Commission in the fall.

**10. Project Log Involving Master Architect Properties**

Historic Property Project Log Involving Master Architect Properties.

**Action:** Received and filed.

**11. Historic Property Nomination Log**

Historic Property Nomination Log for Potential Landmark Designation.

**Action:** Received and filed.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION**

- Report by Commissioners of Standing Subcommittee Activities
- Commissioner Furie reminded the Commission of the California Preservation Foundation upcoming events on July 23-24, 2014.

**12. 2014 Biennial Conflict of Interest Code Report**

**Motion:** Motion by Commissioner Waldow, Second by Vice Chair Greer to approve the Conflict of Interest Code as presented (5-0).

**Action:** The Conflict of Interest Code was approved as presented.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

Date / Time: July 9, 2014 /6:55 PM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 30<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2014

  
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Maralee Beck, Chair