



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
Room 280A
455 North Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

October 10, 2017
1:30 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: October 10, 2017 / 1:34 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Ryan Gohlich, Mark Odell, Reina Kapadia, Karen Myron, Lolly Enriquez

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 amended, moving item #3, 427 North Crescent Drive - Preliminary Hearing, to be discussed first. The item was then continued to a special meeting of the Cultural Heritage Commission to be held on Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 10:00 AM.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Consideration of Minutes of the Cultural Heritage Commission regular meeting of July 12, 2017.

By Order of the Chair and absent objection from the Commission, the minutes were approved as presented.

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

- **Proposed Water Rate Increases**

Director of Public Works Shana Epstein will provide information regarding proposed water rate increases.

Director of Public Works Shana Epstein provided information regarding the City's proposed water rate increases.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

No items

NEW BUSINESS

2. 427 NORTH CRESCENT DRIVE

Initiation of Nomination Proceedings for inclusion onto the Beverly Hills Register of Historic Properties for the Property Located at 427 North Crescent Drive

Ex Parte Communications: Chair Furie disclosed a phone conversation with owner representative Murray Fischer on October 9, 2017. The Chair advised Mr. Fischer that he intended to, with consensus of the full Cultural Heritage Commission, remove item #3, the Preliminary Hearing for 427 North Crescent Drive, from the agenda and reschedule it for a future special meeting. Mr. Fischer advised that his client is interested in working with the Commission. Chair Furie stated he remains able to make a fair and impartial decision on this matter.

Project Planner: Reina Kapadia, AICP, Associate Planner
Owner Representatives: Murray Fischer, Glenn Leisure
Public Input: Robert Switzer (Beverly Hills Heritage)

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Greer, SECONDED by Commissioner Pynoos to set the Preliminary Hearing for this item for Wednesday, November 8, at 10:00 AM (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Greer, Beck, Pynoos, Vice Chair Waldow, Chair Furie

NOES: None

CARRIED

Chair Furie requested that an Ad Hoc Committee of the Cultural Heritage Commission be established after the Preliminary Hearing, to work with the Property Owner's team.

The Commission took a recess at 2:30 PM.

The Commission reconvened at 2:41 PM.

3. 427 NORTH CRESCENT DRIVE

Preliminary Hearing for the "Union 76 Service Center" at 427 North Crescent Drive to Determine Whether the Property Merits Formal Consideration for Nomination onto the Beverly Hills Register of Historic Properties

By Order of the Chair and with the consensus of the Commission, this item was continued to a special meeting of Cultural Heritage Commission on November 8, 2017 at 10:00 AM.

4. 2017 CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

Annual review of the Cultural Heritage Commission's Conflict of Interest Code

Public Input: None

Motion: MOVED by Vice Chair Waldow, SECONDED by Commissioner Greer to adopt the 2017 Conflict of Interest Code, Exhibits A and B for the Cultural Heritage Commission of the City of Beverly Hills as presented (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Greer, Beck, Pynoos, Vice Chair Waldow, Chair Furie

NOES: None

CARRIED

STUDY SESSION

5. 8554 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD

Request for a preliminary review of a proposed Certificate of Appropriateness for the "Fine Arts Ahrya Theater" at 8554 Wilshire Boulevard, a landmark listed on the Beverly Hills Register of Historic Properties

Project Planner: Reina Kapadia, AICP, Associate Planner
Project Applicant: Fine Arts Ahrya Theater
Public Input: None

The Commission received staff's report and input from the applicant, asked clarifying questions, and provided feedback on the proposed exterior upgrades. No formal action was taken on this item.

6. NORTH SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD (HISTORIC ROUTE 66)

Discussion and recommendations regarding the installation of signage along North Santa Monica Boulevard to recognize this roadway as a portion of the Original Route 66

Project Planner: Reina Kapadia, AICP, Associate Planner
Mark Odell, Urban Designer
Project Applicant: Commission-Initiated
Public Input: Kimberly Reiss

Chair Furie advised this item was brought to the Commission at the request of Councilmember Mirisch. The Commission discussed potential signage options and showed support for the

proposal. Chair Furie requested that the Traffic and Parking Commission also be offered the opportunity to provide input regarding the quantity and exact locations of potential signage. This item will be presented to the Cultural Heritage Commission's City Council Liaisons at an upcoming meeting.

PROJECT UPDATES

7. Historic Preservation Project Log

- Received and filed

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Commissioner Pynoos attended the Los Angeles Conservancy's annual fundraising event at the Silvertop home in Los Angeles.
- Commissioner Pynoos also mentioned an upcoming anniversary event for the USC Heritage Conservation Program on Saturday, October 21, 2017.
- Commissioner Beck mentioned local resident Jeff Hyland will be honored on October 12, 2017 by the Southern California Chapter of the Institute of Classical Architecture and Art

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

• Urban Designer Updates

- Urban Designer Mark Odell advised the City Council had recently approved Mills Act Contracts for the Local Landmark properties at 8554 Wilshire Boulevard and 1210 Coldwater Canyon Drive.
- A Cultural Heritage Commission / City Council Liaison meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 30, 2017 to discuss the Golden Shield program, proposed Route 66 Signage, historic signage, and fee waivers and reductions for historic properties.
- A meeting will soon be scheduled with the Ad Hoc Committee to continue the discussion regarding guidelines for the relocation of historic resources.

8. 2018 Draft Meeting Schedule

- Received and filed; no conflicts noted

9. California Great ShakeOut

- City Planner Ryan Gohlich provided information regarding earthquake, emergency evacuation, and active shooter response procedures.

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: October 10, 2017 / 3:36 PM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 10TH DAY of JANUARY, 2018



Noah Furie, Chair