

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

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

CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

October 1, 2018 1:30 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time:

October 1, 2018 / 1:33 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present:

Commissioners Collins, Beck, Furie, Vice Chair Pynoos, Chair

Waldow

Commissioners Absent:

Staff Present:

None

Ryan Gohlich, Mark Odell, Reina Kapadia, Karen Myron, Juan Arauz, David Snow, Jan Ostashay (City Historic Consultant)

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:

Darian Bojeaux, Flory Touriel

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By Order of the Chair, the agenda was approved as amended, moving item #8, 100 North Crescent Drive, to be heard immediately after Reports from Priority Agencies.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Consideration of Minutes of the Cultural Heritage Commission regular meeting of July 11, 2018

2. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Consideration of Minutes of the Cultural Heritage Commission special meeting of August 9, 2018.

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Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Furie, SECONDED by Commissioner

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

AYES: Commissioners Collins, Beck, Furie, Vice Chair Pynoos, Chair

Waldow

NOES: None

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

3. LA CIENEGA PARK PUBLIC FEEDBACK PROCESS

Update from the Community Services Department on the La Cienega Park and Recreation Complex process for public engagement.

Director of Community Services Nancy Hunt-Coffey provided information on the La Cienega Park and Recreation Complex renovation project, and the process by which the public is able to provide feedback on the recreational needs of the community. All members of the public are encouraged to provide input.

4. UPDATES ON THE RESTORATION OF CITY-OWNED HISTORIC RESOURCES

Representatives from the Public Works Department and the Community Services Department will provide updates on the restoration activities

Directory of Community Services Nancy Hunt-Coffey and City Architect Mandana Motahari provided information on the planned restoration or replacement of the Doheny Fountain at the east end of Beverly Gardens Park. The Commission did not reach unanimous consensus on the next steps of the process. Director Hunt-Coffey requested a motion to clarify the Commission's position.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Furie, SECONDED by Commissioner

Beck to recommend restoration of the fountain pool and coping to the extent possible, and an in-kind replacement of the balance of

the fountain so that it can be functional (3-2).

AYES: Commissioners Beck, Furie, Chair Waldow NOES: Commissioner Collins, Vice Chair Pynoos

CARRIED

Information regarding recent restoration priorities at Greystone Mansion was also discussed, along with the recent placement of the bronze plaques commemorating Greystone Mansion as a Local Landmark. The Commission took no formal action on this item.

Item #8, the Study Session discussion regarding the proposed project at 100 North Crescent Drive, was heard prior to item #5.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

Citing ownership of a designated Historic Resource, Commission Collins recused from item #5 and left the room at 9:12 AM.

5. DRAFT ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES FOR THE RELOCATION OF DESIGNATED HISTORIC RESOURCES

Continued discussion with further input from the Cultural Heritage Commission regarding administrative guidelines and the standards that would apply to the relocation of locally-designated historic resources within the City of Beverly Hills. Pursuant to the provisions set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Cultural Heritage Commission will consider a determination of exemption from CEQA. (Continued from the August 9, 2018 Cultural Heritage Commission meeting)

Project Planner:

Mark Odell, Urban Designer

Project Applicant:

Commission Initiated

Public Input:

None

The Commission provided final input on the draft guidelines. The final Administrative Guidelines will be adopted by the Director of Community Development.

Commissioner Collins returned to the meeting at 4:27 PM.

NEW BUSINESS

6. 9300 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD – "WILSHIRE-REXFORD OFFICE BUILDING" Landmark Nomination

Landmark Nomination of the "Wilshire-Rexford Office Building" at 9300 Wilshire Boulevard as a local landmark for inclusion onto the Beverly Hills Register of Historic Properties. Pursuant to the provisions set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Cultural Heritage Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption for this project.

Project Planner:

Reina Kapadia, AICP, Associate Planner

Jan Ostashay, City Historic Consultant

Project Applicant:

9300 Wilshire LLC, property owner

Public Input:

None

Motion:

MOVED by Commissioner Furie, SECONDED by Commissioner

Collins to adopt the resolution as presented (5-0).

AYES:

Commissioners Collins, Beck, Furie, Vice Chair Pynoos, Chair

Waldow

NOES:

None

CARRIED

7. 1050 SUMMIT DRIVE – "DAVID O. SELZNICK RESIDENCE" Landmark Nomination

Landmark Nomination of the "David O. Selznick Residence" at 1050 Summit Drive as a local landmark for inclusion onto the Beverly Hills Register of Historic Properties. Pursuant to the

provisions set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Cultural Heritage Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption for this project.

Planner:

Reina Kapadia, Associate Planner

Jan Ostashay, City Historic Consultant

Public Input:

Kimberly Reiss

Motion:

MOVED by Commissioner Beck, SECONDED by Vice Chair

Pynoos to adopt the resolution (5-0).

AYES:

Commissioners Collins, Beck, Furie, Vice Chair Pynoos, Chair

Waldow

NOES:

None

CARRIED

STUDY SESSION

8. 100 NORTH CRESCENT DRIVE

Beverly Hills Media Center Project

Study Session regarding the Cultural Resources Assessment Report prepared as part of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), review of a project consisting of a façade remodel, comprehensive renovation, and a two-story addition to a building designed by Master Architect Gin Dan Wong and located at 100 North Crescent Drive.

Ex Parte Communications: none.

Project Planner:

Juan Arauz, Associate Planner

Project Applicant:

100 N Crescent LLC

Public Input:

Jon Gluck - for Blair Schlecter on behalf of the Beverly Hills

Chamber of Commerce, Brittney Ruland - AKA Hotel Beverly Hills,

Darian Bojeaux, Nathan Kruger, Jon Gluck (as individual)

The Commission received the staff report and public input, and provided comments to be incorporated into the Final Environmental Impact Report for the project. No formal action was taken on this item.

The Commission took a recess at 3:55 PM.

The Commission reconvened at 4:10 PM.

Prior to proceeding with item #5, the Commission briefly reopened item #8 to allow Commissioner Beck to clarify her position on CEQA information regarding the project at 100 North Crescent Drive.

PROJECT UPDATES

9. Historic Preservation Project Log

o Received and filed

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Commissioner Collins noted a potential historic resource at 1110 Maytor Place; staff will reach out to the property owner to encourage designation of the property, as appropriate.
- Commissioners provided updates from recent Ad Hoc and Subcommittee meetings:
 - Education and Outreach Subcommittee (Beck, Collins)
 - o Historic Resources Survey Subcommittee (Beck, Pynoos)
 - o Historic Preservation Ordinance Ad Hoc Committee (Beck, Pynoos)
- Vice Chair Pynoos noted her ongoing efforts with the Jacob Jonas dance company to possibly incorporate some architectural photography as part of an exhibit in the Spring of 2019.
- Vice Chair Pynoos advised the Commission that on October 3, 2018, the Los Angeles Conservancy will have an event at the former Fred Harvey Restaurant space at Union Station.
- On October 13, 2018 the Los Angeles Conservancy will be having a historic neighborhood conference.
- Mayor's Cabinet Meeting
 - o Meeting video is available online
- The Commission and staff thanked Commissioner Beck for her dedication and hard work while serving on the Cultural Heritage Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

Urban Designer Updates

- Urban Designer Mark Odell provided a recap of the Santa Monica Boulevard / Historic Route 66 commemoration ceremony
- At the formal meeting on Tuesday, October 9, 2018, the City Council will consider landmark designations for the properties at 604 Alpine Drive and 626 North Camden Drive.
- o Staff continues to refine the Golden Shield designation program and the Commissioner Emeritus status.

10. 2019 Draft Meeting Schedule

o Staff will circulate available alternate dates for the April and October 2019 meetings.

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ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time:

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PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 9TH DAY of JANUARY, 2019

Richard Waldow, Chair