



**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS**  
Telephonic / Video Conference Meeting  
455 North Rexford Drive  
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

## **DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING**

### **MINUTES**

December 2, 2021  
1:30 PM

#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Date/Time: December 2, 2021 / 1:31 PM

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

#### **ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Smooke, Spann, Sherman, Vice Chair Bernstein  
Commissioners Absent: Chair Pressman  
Staff Present: Mark Odell, Reina Kapadia, 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 Vice Chair and absent objection from the Commission, the agenda was approved as presented.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

##### **1. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

Consideration of Minutes of the Design Review Commission regular meeting of October 7, 2021.

##### **2. RESOLUTION OF THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS CONTINUING TO AUTHORIZE PUBLIC MEETINGS TO BE HELD VIA TELECONFERENCING PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e) AND MAKING FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS REGARDING THE SAME**

Recent legislation was adopted allowing the Design Review Commission to continue virtual meetings during the COVID-19 declared emergency subject to certain conditions and the proposed resolution implements the necessary requirements.

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Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Smooke, SECONDED by Commissioner Spann to adopt all items on the Consent Calendar as presented (4-0-1).

AYES: Commissioners Smooke, Spann, Sherman, Vice Chair Bernstein

NOES: None

ABSENT: Chair Pressman

CARRIED

## REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

- **DROUGHT UPDATE**

Presentation from the City's Water Conservation Administrator on current drought conditions

Water Conservation Administrator Debby (Figoni) Dunn provided a presentation regarding current drought conditions, and shared tips for using water wisely. All water customers are encouraged to sign up for the City's free Water Tracker program at [water.beverlyhills.org](http://water.beverlyhills.org).

## CONTINUED BUSINESS

None

## NEW BUSINESS

### 3. 713 NORTH BEVERLY DRIVE (PL2100385)

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, north of Santa Monica Boulevard. Pursuant to the provisions set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Design Review Commission will also consider finding the project exempt from further review under CEQA.

Project Planner: Reina Kapadia, AICP, Associate Planner

Project Applicant: Adir Haroni, Property Owner

Project Representative: Faradjollah Harouni, Hafco Group, Inc.

Public Input: None

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Sherman, SECONDED by Commissioner Spann to adopt the resolution as amended (4-0-1).

AYES: Commissioners Smooke, Spann, Sherman, Vice Chair Bernstein

NOES: None

ABSENT: Chair Pressman

CARRIED

## STUDY SESSION

None

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## COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Commissioner Sherman thanked the City Council, her fellow Commissioners, and City Staff for their support during her term as Commissioner.
- **Mayor's Cabinet Meeting**
  - This item was not discussed; meeting video is available online

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

- **Review of Track 1 Approvals**
  - Staff provided a slide show presentation of projects that recently received staff-level approval.
- **Urban Designer Updates**
  - On behalf of staff, Urban Designer Mark Odell thanked Commissioner Sherman for years of service to the City. Incoming Commissioner Marshall Peck will be joining the Design Review Commission in January 2022.
  - City Planner Timothea Tway thanked Commissioner Sherman for her dedication while serving as a Commissioner, and acknowledged the amount of time that is involved with this type of service.

- 4. **2022 Meeting Schedule**
  - Received and filed

## ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: December 2, 2021 / 2:56 PM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 6<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2022

*Sandra Pressman*

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Sandra Pressman, Chair