



## **CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS**

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

In-Person / Telephonic / Video Conference Meeting

### **ARCHITECTURAL COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING**

#### **MINUTES**

October 18, 2023  
1:30 PM

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

Date/Time: October 18, 2023 / 1:30 PM

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

#### **ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Pynoos, Schreiber, Matson, Vice Chair Meyer, Chair Devlin  
Commissioners Absent: None  
Staff Present: Mark Odell, Deborah Hong, 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.

Public Input: 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 Architectural Commission regular meeting of September 20, 2023.

Motion: MOVED by Vice Chair Meyer to adopt the minutes as presented (5-0).

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AYES: Commissioners Pynoos, Schreiber, Matson, Vice Chair Meyer,  
Chair Devlin  
NOES: None

CARRIED

**REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES**

None

**CONTINUED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

*Citing a financial interest in the property at 321 North Beverly Drive (Aesop), and a financial interest in real property less than 300 feet from the project at 300 North Rodeo Drive (Van Cleef & Arpels), Vice Chair Meyer recused from both items and left the meeting room at 1:34 PM.*

**2. 321 NORTH BEVERLY DRIVE**

**Aesop (PL2300403)**

Request for approval of an architectural review for a façade remodel, a Sign Accommodation for multiple business identification signs, and a construction barricade with signage. Pursuant to the provisions set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Architectural Commission will also consider finding the project exempt from further review under CEQA.

Project Planner: Deborah Hong, Associate Planner  
Project Applicant: Aesop  
Project Representative: Pacific Crest Consultants  
Public Input: None

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

AYES: Commissioners Pynoos, Schreiber, Matson, Chair Devlin  
NOES: None  
RECUSED: Vice Chair Meyer

CARRIED

**3. 300 NORTH RODEO DRIVE**

**Van Cleef & Arpels (PL2300420)**

Request for approval of an architectural review for temporary mural or similar environmental graphics on the façade of an existing commercial building. Pursuant to the provisions set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Architectural Commission will also consider finding the project exempt from further review under CEQA.

Project Planner: Deborah Hong, Associate Planner  
Project Applicant: Paul Kanin, Van Cleef & Arpels

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Project Representative: John Warner – Permit Advisors  
Public Input: None

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Matson, SECONDED by Commissioner Schreiber to adopt the resolution as presented (4-0-1).

AYES: Commissioners Pynoos, Schreiber, Matson, Chair Devlin  
NOES: None  
RECUSED: Vice Chair Meyer

**CARRIED**

*Vice Chair Meyer returned to the meeting at 2:05 PM*

*Vice Chair Meyer advised that he has a financial interest in real property less than 500 feet from the project at 459 North Rodeo Drive, but because that interest faces a different street, he does not believe there will be a material impact. Additionally, he has a financial interest in other real properties located more than 500 feet but less than 1,000 feet from the project site, and has considered whether the proposed project would change the Development potential; Income producing potential; Highest and best use; Character by substantially altering traffic levels, intensity of use, parking, view, privacy, noise levels, or air quality; or Market value of the real property in which he has a financial interest. Based on the nature of the proposed project, he finds that it would not change any of the stated factors, and thus will participate in the consideration of the matter.*

**4. 459 NORTH RODEO DRIVE**

**Dolce & Gabbana (PL2300421)**

Request for approval of an architectural review for a façade remodel and Sign Accommodation for multiple business identification signs at an existing commercial building. Pursuant to the provisions set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Architectural Commission will also consider finding the project exempt from further review under CEQA.

Project Planner: Deborah Hong, Associate Planner  
Project Agent: Dolce & Gabbana  
Project Representative: Chris McFaul, Gruen Associates  
Public Input: None

Motion: MOVED by Vice Chair Meyer, SECONDED by Commissioner Schreiber to adopt the resolution as amended (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Pynoos, Schreiber, Matson, Vice Chair Meyer, Chair Devlin  
NOES: None

**CARRIED**

**STUDY SESSION**

None

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## COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Commissioner Matson inquired when the One Beverly Hills Project will be coming to the Architectural Commission. Urban Designer Mark Odell advised the date is unknown; the review may take place at more than one meeting.
- Chair Devlin asked if it is known when the painting of the mural on the Cartier construction barricade will begin. Vice Chair Meyer advised it has begun.
- **Mayor's Cabinet Meeting**
  - The October Mayor's Cabinet meeting was cancelled.

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

- **Urban Designer Updates**
    - Urban Designer Mark Odell advised the Commission of the following:
      - At its October 11 meeting, the Cultural Heritage Commission received an update on the progress of the multi-family historic survey that is currently underway, reviewed additional sites for potential nomination as Golden Shield Award recipients, and approved a request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for Givenchy, which will be located in the Anderton Court building - Beverly Hills Local Landmark No. 6.
      - The Design Review Commission scheduled for November 2 has been cancelled.
- 5. 2023 Meeting Schedule**
- Received and filed
- 6. 2024 DRAFT Meeting Schedule**
- The June 2024 will be held on Monday, June 17 to avoid a conflict with Juneteenth; all other months the meeting will take place on the third Wednesday of the month.

## ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: October 18, 2023 / 2:19 PM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2023

*Tim Devlin*

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Tim Devlin, Chair