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

CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

November 4, 2021
1:30 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
Date/Time: November 4, 2021 / 1:30 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL
Commissioners Present: Commissioners Flagg, Teren, Collins, Vice Chair Reiss, Chair Corman
Commissioners Absent: None
Staff Present: Timothea Tway, Mark Odell, Reina Kapadia, Karen Myron, David Snow, Jan Ostashay (City Historic Consultant), Debby Figoni

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

Absent of objection from the Commission, item #5, the resolution authorizing public meetings to be held via teleconference, was discussed prior to Continued Business.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES
Consideration of Minutes of the Cultural Heritage Commission regular meeting of July 14, 2021.

2. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES
Consideration of Minutes of the Cultural Heritage Commission special meeting of August 24, 2021.

Recordings of the Cultural Heritage Commission’s meetings are available online at www.beverlyhills.org
Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Teren, SECONDED by Chair Corman to adopt the Consent Calendar as presented (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Flagg, Teren, Collins, Vice Chair Reiss, Chair Corman

NOES: None

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

• DROUGHT UPDATE
  Presentation from the City’s Water Conservation Administrator on current drought conditions

Public Input: None

Water Conservation Administrator Debby Figoni provided a presentation regarding current drought conditions, and shared tips for using water wisely. Both residential and commercial water customers are encouraged to sign up for the City’s free Water Tracker program at water.beverlyhills.org.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

Noting that he is the listing agent for the subject property, Commissioner Flagg recused from item #1 and left the virtual meeting room at 1:55 PM.

3. 1010 HILLCREST ROAD
   Landmark Nomination Proceedings
   Consideration of Landmark Nomination of the residence located at 1010 Hillcrest Road as a potential 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 an exemption for this project.

   Ex Parte Communications: Commissioner Collins, Vice Chair Reiss, and Chair Corman disclosed visiting the project site. Each Commissioner visited separately, and City Staff was present at each visit.

Project Planner: Reina Kapadia, AICP, Associate Planner
Project Applicant: Commission-initiated
Property Owner: Ryan C. Drexler
Public Input: None

Motion: MOVED by Chair Corman, SECONDED by Commissioner Collins to direct staff to prepare a resolution memorializing the Commission’s decision declining to nominate the property as a Local Landmark (4-0-1).

AYES: Commissioners Teren, Collins, Vice Chair Reiss, Chair Corman
NOES: None
RECUSED: Commissioner Flagg

CARRIED

Motion: MOVED by Chair Corman, SECONDED by Commissioner Collins to continue the item to a date uncertain (4-0-1).

AYES: Commissioners Teren, Collins, Vice Chair Reiss, Chair Corman
NOES: None
RECUSED: Commissioner Flagg

CARRIED

Notice of the continued hearing date will be sent to the property owner and interested parties, in accordance with the City’s public noticing guidelines.

Commissioner Flagg returned to the meeting at 2:40 PM

4. GOLDEN SHIELD AWARD NOMINEES

Adopt three resolutions for three sites and buildings previously selected by the Cultural Heritage Commission that have cultural significance within the City.

Ex Parte Communications: None

Project Planner: Reina Kapadia, AICP, Associate Planner
Project Applicant: Commission-initiated
Public Input: None

The Commission took a recess at 2:51 PM

The Commission reconvened at 2:59 PM

Motion: MOVED by Chair Corman, SECONDED by Commissioner Teren to adopt the resolution nominating Pioneer Hardware as a site of cultural importance to be awarded the Golden Shield Cultural Recognition plaque, as amended (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Flagg, Teren, Collins, Vice Chair Reiss, Chair Corman
NOES: None

CARRIED

Motion: MOVED by Chair Corman, SECONDED by Vice Chair Reiss to adopt the resolution nominating Harry Harris Shoes as a site of cultural importance to be awarded the Golden Shield Cultural Recognition plaque, as amended (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Flagg, Teren, Collins, Vice Chair Reiss, Chair Corman
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NOES: None

CARRIED

Motion: MOVED by Chair Corman, SECONDED by Commissioner Collins to adopt the resolution nominating The Luau as a site of cultural importance to be awarded the Golden Shield Cultural Recognition plaque, as amended (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Flagg, Teren, Collins, Vice Chair Reiss, Chair Corman

NOES: None

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

5. RESOLUTION OF THE CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS AUTHORIZING PUBLIC MEETINGS TO BE HELD VIA TELECONFERENCING PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e) AND MAKING FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS REGARDING THE SAME

New legislation (AB361) was recently adopted allowing the Cultural Heritage Commission to continue virtual meetings during the COVID-19 declared emergency subject to certain conditions, and the proposed resolution implements the necessary requirements.

Staff Presenter: Mark Odell, Urban Designer
Public Input: None

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Collins, SECONDED by Chair Corman to adopt the resolution as presented (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Flagg, Teren, Collins, Vice Chair Reiss, Chair Corman

NOES: None

CARRIED

6. GOLDEN SHIELD AWARD NOMINEES

Review new selections for the program to recognize sites and buildings that have cultural significance within the City.

Ex Parte Communications: None

Project Planner: Mark Odell, Urban Designer
Project Applicant: Commission-initiated
Public Input: None

Urban Designer Mark Odell provided a staff report with a brief description of the potential nominees. After discussion, the Commission selected three sites as the final nominees.
Motion: MOVED by Chair Corman, SECONDED by Commissioner Collins to nominate Francis-Orr Stationary, Hans Ohrt Lightweight Bicycles, and Pixie Town for future consideration and nomination as recipients of the Golden Shield Award (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Flagg, Teren, Collins, Vice Chair Reiss, Chair Corman
NOES: None
CARRIED

7. 2021 CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE REVIEW
Annual review of the Cultural Heritage Commission’s Conflict of Interest Code

Public Input: None

Motion: MOVED by Chair Corman, SECONDED by Vice Chair Reiss to adopt the 2021 Conflict of Interest Code, with Exhibits A and B for the Cultural Heritage Commission of the City of Beverly Hills as presented (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Flagg, Teren, Collins, Vice Chair Reiss, Chair Corman
NOES: None
CARRIED

STUDY SESSION
None

PROJECT UPDATES

8. HISTORIC PROPERTIES PROJECT LOG
  o Received and filed

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION
None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

  • Urban Designer Updates
    o Urban Designer Mark Odell advised the Commission that the California Office of Historic Preservation has an upcoming mentoring program being hosted virtually, which is available to Commissioners at no charge.
    o Commission Specialist Karen Myron reminded the Commissioners of the following upcoming events in the City:
On the morning of Sunday, November 7, the LA Marathon will be making its way throughout the City
On the morning of Sunday, November 14, the Brit Week Car Rally will be in the City
On Thursday, November 18, the Rodeo Drive holiday lighting celebration will take place between 5:00 – 8:00 PM

9. 2022 Meeting Schedule
   - Received and filed; no conflicts were noted

ADJOURNMENT
Date / Time:       November 4, 2021 / 3:38 PM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 12TH DAY of JANUARY, 2022

Craig Corman, Chair