

**OFFICIAL**  
CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
Cultural Heritage Commission Minutes  
January 18, 2018  
200 North Spring Street, City Hall  
Los Angeles, California 90012

MINUTES OF THE CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION HEREIN ARE REPORTED IN ACTION FORMAT. COMPLETE DETAILS, INCLUDING THE ENTIRE DISCUSSION, RELATING TO EACH ITEM ARE CONTAINED IN THE AUDIO RECORDING FOR THIS MEETING. COPIES OF COMPACT DISC RECORDINGS ARE AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING CENTRAL PUBLICATIONS, AT (213) 978-1255 AND ARE ALSO ACCESSIBLE ONLINE AT [planning.lacity.org](http://planning.lacity.org).

Commissioner Barron called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m. with Commissioners Buelna, Kennard and Milofsky present. Commissioner Kanner was absent.

Also in attendance were Ken Bernstein, Principal City Planner representing the Director of Planning; Lambert Giessinger, Architect with the Office of Historic Resources; Melissa Jones, Planning Assistant with the Office of Historic Resources; Lucy Atwood, Deputy City Attorney; Etta Armstrong, Commission Executive Assistant I, and Jason Wong, Senior Administrative Clerk.

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**ITEM NO. 1**

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- The OHR sponsored a very successful public workshop last week at Barnsdall Park for the 2018 Mills Act Historical Property Contract program. The event attracted about 150 attendees, who told us they greatly appreciated the information provided. We held this annual event earlier in the year to help convey changes in the program and to use it as more of a public outreach opportunity giving property owners the information they need to decide on whether to apply.
- Last year our department secured City Council passage of amendments to the City's Historic Preservation Overlay Zone (HPOZ) Ordinance that allow multiple HPOZs to share a single HPOZ Board. In recent weeks, the OHR has begun implementing these consolidations in order to help streamline administration of the HPOZ program, now that the program has grown in recent years to encompass 35 historic districts and over 21,000 properties citywide. While each HPOZ previously had a five-member board, the shared boards will have seven members. With some larger HPOZs retaining stand-alone boards, the consolidation effort is expected to reduce the number of HPOZ Boards from 35 to 21 upon completion later this year.
- At our last meeting I noted that our office was closely monitoring the congressional action on the Federal tax legislation, since the House of Representatives version of that bill would have eliminated the Federal Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit, which is the major federal incentive for historic preservation projects. I'm pleased to report that the final version of the bill approved by Congress and signed by the President incorporated the Senate provisions retaining the tax credit.

- PLUM Committee on Tuesday continued its consideration of the Aidlin-Rees Apartments/Rudolf Ising Residence on Kings Road, to Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Yesterday, the Council also approved a 15-day time extension granting the Council additional time to act on this item.

Council gave final approval last Friday to two HCMs:

- Village Court, the Storybook-style four-unit residential court on Formosa Avenue
- The Hogan Residence, the Douglas Rucker-designed post-and-beam home on Brier Dr. in Laurel Canyon

## **COMMISSION BUSINESS**

### **A. Old Business**

1. There was no update on the Los Angeles Unified School District Historic Schools Investment Fund Board.
2. There was no Proposed Historic-Cultural Monument Plaque Artwork to review.

### **B. New Business**

1. Advance Calendar – Commissioner Milofsky announced he will be absent from the June 21, 2018 Commission meeting.
2. Commission Announcements/Requests – There were no announcements or requests from the Commission.
3. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes for the meetings of May 18, 2017, June 1, June 15, 2017, July 20, 2017, August 17, 2017, September 7, 2017 and November 16, 2017, were postponed until the next Commission meeting on February 15, 2018.

Commission President Barron requested that in the future, meeting minutes be included in their agenda packets.

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## **ITEM NO. 2**

### **NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

There were no presentations given by any Neighborhood Council representative.

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## **ITEM NO. 3**

### **PROPOSED MONUMENT: THE POTTER**

**CHC-2017-4328-HCM**

CEQA: ENV-2017-4329-CE  
Council District: 11 – Bonin

**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 1305 Ocean Front Walk

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Andy Layman, Venice Beach Suites LLC, owner.

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Kennard put forth the actions below and moved to include The Potter in the list of Historic-Cultural Monuments.

1. Determine that the property, conforms with the definition of a Monument pursuant to Los Angeles Administrative Code LAAC Section 22.171.7;
2. Recommend that the City Council consider and designate the subject property a Historic-Cultural Monument;
3. Determine that the proposed designation is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Article 19, Section 15308, Class 8 and Article 19, Section 15331, Class 31 of the State CEQA Guidelines; and
4. Adopt the staff report findings as the findings of the Commission.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Milofsky and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Kennard  
Seconded: Milofsky  
Ayes: Barron, Buelna  
Absent: Kanner

**Vote: 4 - 0**

**MOTION PASSED**

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**ITEM NO. 4**

**PROPOSED MONUMENT:** MUSICIANS UNION OF HOLLYWOOD

**CHC-2017-4331-HCM**

CEQA: ENV-2017-4332-CE

Council District: 13 – O’Farrell

**PROPERTY ADDRESSES:** 807-831 North Vine Street;  
808-820 North Lillian Way;  
5901 West Waring Avenue

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

John Girodo and Christy McAvoy, Hollywood Heritage, Incorporated, applicants; Craig Bullock representing Council District 13.

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Kennard put forth the actions below and moved to include the Musicians Union of Hollywood in the list of Historic-Cultural Monuments.

1. Determine that the property, conforms with the definition of a Monument pursuant to Los Angeles Administrative Code LAAC Section 22.171.7;
2. Recommend that the City Council consider and designate the subject property a Historic-Cultural Monument;
3. Determine that the proposed designation is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Article 19, Section 15308, Class 8 and Article 19, Section 15331, Class 31 of the State CEQA Guidelines; and
4. Adopt the staff report findings as the findings of the Commission.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Milofsky and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Kennard  
Seconded: Milofsky  
Ayes: Barron, Kennard  
Absent: Kanner

**Vote: 4 - 0**

**MOTION PASSED**

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**ITEM NO. 5**

**PROPOSED MONUMENT: CHUEY RESIDENCE**

**CHC-2017-4333-HCM**  
CEQA: ENV-2017-4334-CE  
Council District: 4 - Ryu

**PROPERTY ADDRESSES:** 2380-2460 Sunset Plaza Drive;  
9058-9060 Crescent Drive

The applicant withdrew the application.

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**ITEM NO. 6**

**PROPOSED MONUMENT:**  
**STANDARD OIL COMPANY SALES DEPARTMENT BUILDING/ WOMAN'S BUILDING**

**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 1727 North Spring Street

**CHC-2018-11-HCM**  
CEQA: ENV-2018-12-CE  
Council District: 1 – Cedillo

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Adrian Scott Fine, Los Angeles Conservancy; Evanne St. Charles, Architectural Resources Group, Incorporated; Mel Ilomin, representing Council District One.

**MOTION:**

Commissioner Kennard moved to take the proposed designation of the Standard Oil Company Sales Department Building/Woman's Building under consideration and adopt staff findings. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Buelna and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Kennard  
Seconded: Buelna  
Ayes: Barron, Milofsky  
Absent: Kanner

**Vote: 4 - 0**

**MOTION PASSED**

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**ITEM NO. 7**

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

No speakers addressed the Commission during general public comment.

There being no further business to come before the Cultural Heritage Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

**ADOPTED**  
CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
**MAR 15 2018**  
CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT  
COMMISSION OFFICE



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Richard Barron, President  
Cultural Heritage Commission



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Etta Armstrong, Commission Executive Assistant I  
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