

***Historic Preservation Commission
Meeting Minutes of May 1, 2007***

Minutes of the Huntington Park Historic Preservation Commission meeting held on May 1, 2007.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Milofsky. Present: Commissioners Wally G. Shidler, Michelle Sanchez, Yessica Jovel and Vice Chair Carolina Luna. Absent: None. Also present: Director of Community Development Henry Gray, Planning Manager Gabriel Bautista, Senior Planner Eric Garcia and Recording Secretary Corinna Luevano.

Minutes of the meeting of April 3, 2007

A motion was made by Commissioner Shidler, seconded by Commissioner Luna, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on April 3, 2007. The motion was unanimously approved with the abstention of Commissioner Sanchez.

Public Appearances

None.

Public Hearings

None.

New Business

A. Discussion and/or action of Nominations for Historic Preservation Commission Certificate of Recognition:

Planning Manager Gabriel Bautista announced that three nominations had been received for the Historic Preservation Commission Certificate of Recognition. A nomination for the Huntington Park High School Auditorium, "Westover Hall" at 6020 Miles Avenue; a single family residence at 2743 57th Street and Norms Restaurant at 2500 E. Slauson Avenue. All recipients have been notified, however only two nominees have responded, Huntington Park High School and the property owners at 2743 57th Street. Mr. Bautista added that a presentation of the certificates will be held at the May 7 City Council meeting.

Following a brief discussion, a motion was made by Schidler, seconded by Luna, to recommend that the Historic Preservation Commission approve the resolution recommending to the City Council the presentation of Certificates of Recognition to the property owners of the nominated properties acknowledging their efforts in maintaining the historically distinguishing features of their properties/structure. The motion was unanimously approved.

Chairman Milofsky took a moment to welcome the new Commissioner, Michelle Sanchez. Ms. Sanchez lives in a potentially historic structure within the City. Therefore, Chairman Milofsky stated, she will bring the prospective of historic structure occupant to the meetings.

B. Discussion and/or action regarding the Warner Theatre Designation:

Senior Planner Eric Garcia stated that at the meeting held on March 6, 2007, the Commission recommended to the City Council that the Warner Theatre be designated as a historic resource and that the item will go before the council on Monday, May 7, 2007. Mr. Garcia added that it has been recommended by the city attorney's office that an amendment to the designation be processed in order to add or delete features to the original designation.

Mr. Gray informed the Commission that they will begin processing the amendment to include the additional items and that all Commissioners are invited and recommended to attend the City Council meeting on Monday, May 7.

D. Discussion and/or action regarding the Designation of Civic Center:

Mr. Garcia stated that this item will be presented to the Commission for a recommendation to the City Council by the June 4 meeting. However, Mr. Garcia added, staff is seeking clarification on whether to include the Los Angeles County Library as part of the civic center complex.

Chairman Milofsky directed staff to amend the Huntington Park Designation of Historic Resources application to not include the Los Angeles County Library as part of the civic center complex.

C. Presentation of City Hall Remodel:

Planning Manager Bautista reviewed with the Commissioners, the various improvements that are planned at City Hall, specifically the Community Development Department, the City Clerks Office, and the downstairs lobby. Also present was Wes Lind, to discuss the project as well as answer any questions the Commissioners may have.

Chairman Milofsky requested that staff investigate any photos of the interior of the City Hall so that every effort could be made to keep the originality of the structure. Chairman Milofsky also recommended that staff make available plans for commissioner review.

Mr. Gray recommended that the Commissioners have a tour of City Hall for their next meeting prior to adopting a resolution to identify items that need to be included.

E. Discussion and/or action regarding Notice of Preparation (NOP) – Los Angeles Unified School District for Elementary School No. 5:

Mr. Garcia gave a brief review of LAUSD's attempt to relieve overcrowding with the construction of new schools in the city.

Chairman Milofsky directed staff to respond to the NOP stating that the commission was deferring comments pending the preparation of the Historical review that would be provided in the draft Environmental Impact Report.

F. Discussion and/or action regarding Ad Hoc Committee of the Historic Preservation, Planning and Arts & Culture Commissions:

Mr. Bautista informed the Commission that the formation of the ad hoc/subcommittee of the Historical Preservation/Planning/Arts and Culture Commissions had been completed with the addition of Dante D'Eramo and Diane Spalding from the Arts and Culture Commissioner; Andy Molina and Alfred Bravo from the Planning Commissioners; and Barry Milofsky and Carolina Luna from the Historic Preservation Commission.

Mr. Bautista advised the commission that the first meeting of the ad hoc/subcommittee would be scheduled upon receipt of discussion items from the Historic Preservation Commission to be placed on an informal agenda.

Information Items

A. Warner Theatre Calendar of events:

Mr. Bautista distributed copies of the events calendar for the Warner Grand Theater in San Pedro to the commissioners.

B. Historic Preservation Commission Schedules for other cities:

Mr. Garcia distributed meeting schedules for Historic Preservation Commissions from other cities and suggested that the commissioners try attending other meetings to observe how other Historic Preservation Commissions operate.

C. Membership to Historic Preservation Organizations Update:

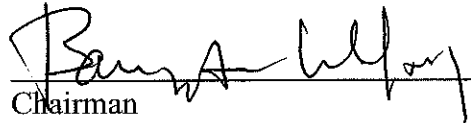
Mr. Bautista informed the Commissioners that memberships for the California Preservation Foundation, Los Angeles Conservancy and National Trust for Historic Preservation have been processed for all commissioners and that staff will be forwarding the any information received to the Commissioners.

D. Los Angeles Conservancy Awards Luncheon Information:

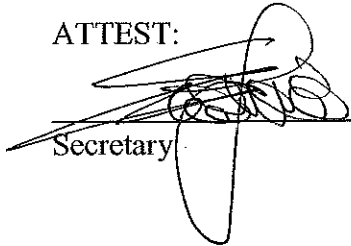
Mr. Bautista distributed to the Commissioners information regarding the date, time, place and location of the 2007 Los Angeles Conservancy Award luncheon.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Chairman Milofsky adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.


Chairman

ATTEST:


Secretary