



**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (HPC)
TELECONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES**

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Sotsky called the meeting to order at 7:04pm and read the Gabrieleño Tongva and Gabrieleño Kizh Land Acknowledgement.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner King lead the pledge of allegiance.
- 3. ROLL CALL PRESENT:** Chair Jacob Sotsky, Vice-Chair Gail Ostergren, Commissioners Matt Dubin, Lola Davidson, Michael King and Yawar Charlie.
ABSENT None.
STAFF PRESENT Doug Vu, HPC Liaison, Jennifer Davis, HPC Intern Taylor Galindo and Sharita Houston, HPC Secretary

HPC LIAISON DOUG VU stated staff received a public request to continue the meeting of February 27, 2023 due to technical difficulties accessing the online agenda packet. Per City Clerks department, there were no violations therefore the meeting is in order.

- 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**
Action: Approve the February 27, 2023 meeting agenda as presented **Motion by Vice-Chair Ostergren, second by Commissioner King and passed.**
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
Action: Approve the January 30, 2023 special meeting minutes as amended. **Motion by Chair Sotsky, second by Commissioner Dubin, and approved.**
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

VICTOR OMELCZENKO WEST HOLLYHWOOD / WHPA BOARD PRESIDENT: Chair Sotsky read into the record concerns of WHPA President Omelczenko in his absence. He requested a continuance of the February 27, 2023 meeting due to technical difficulties accessing web links and also requested the WHPA be added to the Commissions electronic distribution list of future meeting packets.

LYNN RUSSELL: Commented about the need for additional staffing to assist with research concerning projects that may negatively impact potential and current cultural resources such as the new development on Holloway Drive.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. 2021-2022 CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT (CLG) ANNUAL REPORT:** Annual report of the City's Historic Preservation Program with the Office of Historic Preservation (OHP). Staff provided a draft copy of the CLG report to the Commission for review and consideration.
Action: Receive and file.

8. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR: None.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. 8590 SUNSET BOULEVARD:** Review of potential impacts of a proposed new two-sided static billboard located at 8590 Sunset Boulevard on designated or potential cultural resources on adjacent properties.

STAFF JENNIFER DAVIS provided a presentation regarding information within the February 27, 2023 staff report concerning the proposed removal of three existing on-site signs, to be replaced with a new two-sided static off-site signs (or billboard) and upgrade the courtyard area of the property by installing three pedestrian gathering spaces.

She stated the purpose of the item before the Commission was to review the project for any potential adverse impacts to the Sunset Plaza Historic District.

She said based on the analysis, the project conforms to the applicable Secretary of the Interior Standards for Rehabilitation, impacts to the historical resources as a result of the proposed billboard would be less than significant, and that the project would not materially impair either the eligible Sunset Plaza Historic District or the building at 8585 Sunset Boulevard or the historic building across the street.

Item 10.A. Public Comment:

APPLICANT MARINA MARTOS DABEL (KILROY REALTY CORPORATION) Spoke in favor of Staff's presentation and recommendation, and briefly explained the proposal.

Item 10.A. Public Comment Closed.

STAFF AND THE COMMISSION briefly discussed the parameters of the proposal. The general consensus of the Commission was in support of the project moving forward as presented and meets the Secretary of The Interior Standards.

Action: Receive and File.

B. DOORS OPEN CALIFORNIA 2023:

HPC LIAISON DOUG VU discussed the participation of the Commission in the Doors Open California event, September 9-10, 2023, the largest statewide celebration of historic places led by the California Preservation Foundation.

STAFF AND THE COMMISSION discussed the event, previously recommend by Commissioner King at its January 2023 HPC meeting. They discussed the application process/proposed program submittal and spoke in favor of the HPC participating in this years and future events going forward.

The HPC spoke in favor of the proposed program submittal prepared by Staff (Sr. Planners Doug Vu and Antonio Castillo). They said the proposed program will promote public awareness/participation of the HPC and there be some sort of public acknowledgment of former Commissioner, Edward S. Levin during the event.

Item 10.B. Public Comment:

STEPHANIE HARKER WEST HOLLYWOOD PROTECT PLUMMER PARK APPLICANT/REPRESENTATIVE spoke in favor of the Doors Open event, commented about potential resources on Vista Street and the proposal to designate Great Hall/Long Hall as a resource..

CATHY BLAIVAS WEST HOLLYWOOD FORMER PROTECT PLUMMER PARK APPLICANT/REPRESENTATIVE spoke in favor of the Doors Open event and welcomed Commissioner Charlie back to the HPC.

Action: None.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

12. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

A. UPCOMING PROJECTS:

HPC LIAISON DOUG VU provided the following information regarding upcoming projects:

- March 27, 2023 meeting canceled due to Cesar Chavez holiday.
- Special meeting in March 2023 Plummer Park
- Special meeting in June 2023
- 2023 HPC Reappointments
- March 2023 CRD Nominations:
 - Great Hall/Long Hall CRD Nomination

- Fiesta Hall CRD Nomination March 2023 meeting
- 7900 and 7906 Santa Monica Blvd (Clock Building).
- April 2022 Gil Turner Applicant Status Update

13. PUBLIC COMMENT:

STEPHANIE HARKER WEST HOLLYWOOD requested an update of The French Market and The Factory buildings and commented about City Council's directives concerning updates to Boards and Commissions and their bylaws.

WYATT OF CURATEDLA requested status of the proposed Sunset Plaza.

HPC LIAISON DOUG VU will provide an update to the caller at a later date.

Item 13 Public Comment Closed

14. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

COMMISSIONER DUBIN commented about previous comments by Stephanie Harker regarding an update on The French Market and The Factory. He requested discussion on the process of Historic Plaques/Landmark additions to designated resources be adendized.

VICE-CHAIR OSTERGREN requested additional information about updates to the Multi-Family Survey and the Cultural Heritage Preservation Ordinance .

HPC Liaison Doug Vu said the Survey and the ordinance are under review with Planning Staff and are projected to be completed this year.

15. ADJOURNMENT: Chair Sotsky adjourned the Historic Preservation Commission meeting at **8:25 pm** to its next regular meeting **Monday, April 24, 2023** beginning at 7:00 P.M and at Plummer Park, Rooms 5 & 6.

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 HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
 SECRETARY, SHARITA HOUSTON

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