



**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
DRAFT SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES
Regular Meeting
August 28, 2023**

THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD HAS ADOPTED SUMMARY AND ACTION MEETING MINUTES, WHICH PROVIDE A BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE ACTIONS TAKEN AND POINTS OF DISCUSSION ONLY. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS OR INDIVIDUAL DISCUSSIONS REGARDING ANY ITEM SUMMARIZED IN THESE MINUTES MAY BE OBTAINED BY ACCESSING THE ARCHIVED RECORDINGS OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETINGS AT www.weho.org/city-government/city-clerk AND SELECTING ACCESS CITY RECORDS.

Land Acknowledgment: “The West Hollywood Planning Commission acknowledges that the land on which we gather and that is currently known as the City of West Hollywood is the occupied, unceded, seized territory of the Gabrieleño Tongva and Gabrieleño Kizh peoples.”

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Sotsky called the meeting of Historic Preservation Commission to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Chair Sotsky led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **ROLL CALL:**

Commissioners Present: Zvi, Davidson, King, Dubin, Chair Sotsky.

Commissioners Absent: Vice-Chair Ostergren, Charlie.

Staff Present: Doug Vu, Senior Planner/HPC Liaison, Laurie Yelton, Associate Planner, David Gillig, Acting Commission Secretary, Nels Youngborg, Consultant, and Gabriele Gonzales, Administrative Specialist III.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA.**

ACTION: Approve the Historic Preservation Commission agenda of Monday, August 28, 2023, as presented. **Moved by Commissioner Dubin, seconded by Commissioner Davidson and unanimously passes.**

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

A. **June 27, 2023**

ACTION: Continue the minutes of June 27, 2023, to Tuesday, September 26, 2023, as recommended. **Motion carried by consensus of the Commission.**

6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

STEPHANIE HARKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke about saving the trees for the Plummer Park.

CATHY BLAIVAS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked the commission for the Great/Long Hall and Fiesta Hall designation and mentioned the first ad hoc subcommittee meeting for Protect Plummer Park plan took place and went well.

LYNN RUSSELL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, expressed pleasure that both structures at Plummer Park are going to be designated local cultural resources and expressed hope that the City of West Hollywood would return Plummer House to its rightful location in the park versus Calabasas.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR. None.

8. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR. None

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS.

A. 9101 W SUNSET BOULEVARD: Laurie Yelton, Associate Planner, provided a verbal presentation, as presented in the staff report dated August 28, 2023, for the recommended Cultural Resource Designation of the Gil Turner's Fine Wines & Spirits building located at 9101 W Sunset Boulevard, West Hollywood, California.

Commissioner King disclosed for the record he made a site visit.

There were no other official disclosures.

The Commission asked for clarification about the change to the period of significance being extended, and that all comments from the late Commissioner Levin were addressed for this project.

JENNA SNOW, Applicant, provided a verbal presentation on the history and details for the cultural resource nomination for 9101 W Sunset.

The Commission inquired about the terrazzo at the storefront that faces Sunset Boulevard

FRAN OFFENHAUSER, Architect, explained the terrazzo was not historic and added as part of the 1999 restoration.

The commission then asked for clarification if the slide shown during staff's presentation was the complete list of character defining features for designation, and how the Certificate of Appropriateness came to pass in 1999.

Chair Sotsky opened public comments for Item 9.A.

CATHY BLAIVAS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the item and praised owners of the property for working on the designation.

LYNN RUSSELL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked owners and presenters and spoke in support of item.

Support of the item from public member Stephanie Harker was read into the record.

ACTION: Close public comment portion of the public hearing for Item 9.A.
Motion carried by consensus of the Commission.

Commissioner Dubin thanked staff and the applicant, stated the nomination was much more thorough, and expressed support of the designation.

Commissioner Zvi stated she believed this building to be significant on Sunset, stands out on the Strip, and supports this designation.

Commissioner Davidson stated she was in full support of this building.

Commissioner King stated he visited the site, noticed the condition and maintenance of the building, and that he was in favor of the designation.

Chair Sotsky stated that he appreciated the colored graphics and addendum, commended the owners for the 1999 renovation, and supported the designation.

Commissioner Dubin moved to approve staff's recommendation of approval to the City Council.

Seconded by Commissioner Zvi.

ACTION: 1) Approve staff's recommendation of approval; 2) **Adopt Resolution No. HPC 22-159 as presented:** "A RESOLUTION OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, RECOMMENDING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL DESIGNATE THE BUILDING LOCATED AT 9101 W SUNSET BOULEVARD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA AS A LOCAL CULTURAL RESOURCE." **Moved by Commissioner Dubin, seconded by Commissioner Zvi and passes, noting Commissioner Charlie and Vice-Chair Ostergren absent.**

10. **NEW BUSINESS.** None.

11. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS.** None.

12. **ITEMS FROM STAFF.**

A. **Planning Staff Update.**

Doug Vu, Senior Planner/HPC Liaison provided an update of tentative items scheduled for upcoming Historic Preservation Commission meetings.

13. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

DARREN WEINSTOCK, WEST HOLLYWOOD, stated he is the owner of 9101 Sunset, spoke about the importance of fighting for the cultural designation of his and other properties and thanked commission and staff.

14. **ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS:**

Commissioner Dubin requested agendizing plaques and thanked Nels for his work.

Commissioner King thanked Nels for his work and spoke about the importance of establishing buildings as historic so history is preserved, and maintenance is provided to those buildings.

Chair Sotsky stated he was looking forward to September 9th event.

ADJOURMENT. The Historic Preservation Commission adjourned at 9:48 p.m. to a specially scheduled meeting on **Tuesday** September 26, 2023, beginning at 7:00 p.m. until completion at City Hall – 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, California. **Motion carried by consensus of the Commission.**

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PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Historic Preservation Commission of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 23rd day of October 2023 by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner: Davidson, Dubin, King, Sotsky, Zvi

NOES: Commissioner:

ABSENT: Commissioner: Vice-Chair Charlie

ABSTAIN: Commissioner: Chair Ostergren

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