

**CITY OF SAN DIEGO
HISTORICAL RESOURCES BOARD
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 16, 2023
HYBRID HEARING**

CHRONOLOGY OF THE MEETING

Chairperson Tim Hutter called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. Chairperson Tim Hutter adjourned the meeting at 4:17 p.m.

ATTENDANCE DURING THE MEETING:

Chairperson Tim Hutter – present
Vice-Chairperson Kristi Byers – absent
2nd Vice-Chairperson Michael Taylor – present
Boardmember Ann Woods – present
Boardmember Bruce Abrams – present - *Left at 2:45pm*
Boardmember Carla Farley – absent
Boardmember Courtney Ann Coyle – present
Boardmember David McCullough – present
Boardmember Dr. Li-Rong Lilly Cheng – absent
Boardmember Mathew Winter – present
Boardmember Rammy Cortez – present

City Staff

Lindsey Sebastian, Deputy City Attorney – present
Kelley Stanco, City Planning Department – present
Suzanne Segur, City Planning Department – present
Shannon Anthony, City Planning Department – present
Alvin Lin, City Planning Department – present
Megan Walker, City Planning Department – present
Caroline Garcia, Legislative Recorder – present

Note: All decision makers attended the meeting in person. Staff and members of the public attended both in person and virtually.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENT

Barry Hager ceded time to him from Susan Dean, Pamela Molohon, and Ronald May. He spoke about the local designation of National Register Districts.

Charles Kaminski requesting an update on the San Diego LGBTQ pending projects that are on appeal.

Sharon Gehl spoke about the Mills Act and its benefits.

BOARDMEMBERS COMMENT

BOARD ACTION:

Motion by Boardmember Coyle to direct staff to place on the next Policy committee agenda of the review and consideration of amendments to HRB policy 4.1 and HRB procedures as proposed by Mission Hills Heritage related to local designation of National Register Historic Districts. Seconded by Boardmember Woods. The motion passes by a vote of 8-0-0 with Boardmembers Cortez, Taylor, Winter, Woods, McCullough, Abrams, Coyle, and Chair Hutter voting yea, and with Boardmembers Byers, Cheng, and Farley absent.

Boardmembers Cortez responded to correspondence received by Neighborhood Historic Preservation Coalition. He stated that he has no financial conflict regarding his assessment of the development process associated with Item 8.

Chair Hutter responded to correspondence received by Neighborhood Historic Preservation Coalition as bullying someone for their opinion.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

NONE

EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

None

FAILURE TO

VISIT DESIGNATION SITES (INCLUDING INTERIORS/PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION/INVOCATION OF WAIVER

None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 28, 2023

MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER COYLE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES WITH CORRECTIONS. Seconded by Chair Hutter. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-0 with Boardmembers Cortez, Taylor, Winter, Woods, McCullough, Abrams, Coyle, and Chair Hutter voting yea, and with Boardmembers Byers, Cheng, and Farley absent.

STAFF REPORT

Suzanne Segur, Senior Planner from the Planning Department reported that the appeals of the historical designations of the Fred Rohr/ Ralph L. Frank House (HRB Site #1492) located at 555 San Fernando Street and the Mamie and Oliver Evans/ William Templeton Johnson House (HRB Site #1493) located at 4388 Ampudia Street, were heard by the City Council on November 7th. The appeals were not granted by Council and the designations were upheld.

The appeals of the historical designation of the Donald and Gladys Clitsome/Lloyd Ruocco House (HRB Site #1491) located at 2228 33rd Street and the Velma Prichard Spec House #1 (HRB Site #1503) located at 4321 Alder Drive were scheduled to be heard by City Council on November 14th; however, these items have now been rescheduled to December 5th. Boardmembers are encouraged to attend the appeal hearings to speak on behalf of the Board's action.

An appeal was filed after the October HRB meeting for the designation of the Robert and Clara West Spec House #1 located at 3441 Cooper Street. Staff will be actively working on bringing this property forward to the City Council for resolution in the new year.

The office of Boards and Commissions has requested that all boardmembers complete the California Public Records Act and Ralph M. Brown Act trainings sent to them via email. Please let staff know if you have completed these trainings by December 1st.

Suzanne Segur, Senior Planner from the Planning Department reported that the next Policy Subcommittee meeting will be held on Monday, December 11th at 3pm. For information regarding the Archaeological and Tribal Cultural Resources Subcommittee, please visit the Development Services website.

Shannon Anthony, Senior Planner from the Planning Department reported that the next Design Assistant Subcommittee will be held on Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at 4:00pm.

REQUESTS FOR ITEMS TO BE CONTINUED AND/OR WITHDRAWN

None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Item 2 – Located at 7236 Country Club Drive was heard as the first discussion item.

Item 3 – Clinton Abbott/ William Templeton Johnson/ Brawner & Hunter House located at 4499 Hermosa Way was pulled from the Consent Agenda and was heard as the second discussion item.

Item 4 – Ralph Hurlburt/Alexander Schreiber Spec House #4 located at 3914 Falcon Street was pulled from the Consent Agenda and was heard as the third discussion item.

Item 5 – Amelia and Clara Ives House located at 1817 Dale Street was pulled from the Consent Agenda and was heard as the fourth discussion item.

Item 6 – Mary Sample/William Wahrenberger Spec. House #1 located at 2330 Fort Stockton Drive was pulled from the Consent Agenda and was heard as the fifth discussion item.

Item 7 – Richard and Maurine Haas/ Ralph L. Frank House located at 555 San Geronio Street was heard as the sixth discussion item.

Item 8 – Possible board response to IBA report was heard as the last discussion item.

BOARD ACTION:

MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER CORTEZ TO HEAR ITEMS 2 THROUGH 6 IN ORDER, THEN ITEM 1, AND LASTLY ITEM 8. Seconded by Boardmember Taylor. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0-1 with Boardmembers Cortez, Taylor, Winter, Woods, McCullough, Abrams, and Chair Hutter voting yea; and with Boardmember Coyle abstaining; and with Boardmembers Byers, Cheng, and Farley absent.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ITEM-1 RICHARD AND MAURINE HAAS/ RALPH L. FRANK HOUSE

City Council District: 2

Plan Area: Peninsula

Staff: Megan Walker

Public testimony in favor of this item received from Bruce Coons.

Public testimony in opposition of this item received from Scott A. Moomjian and Matthew Peterson.

No speaker slips received in support of this item.

Speaker slips received in opposition of this item from Clint Daniels.

BOARD ACTION:

MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER WOODS TO DESIGNATE THE RICHARD AND MAURINE HAAS/ RALPH L. FRANK HOUSE LOCATED AT 555 SAN GORGONIO STREET AS A HISTORICAL RESOURCE WITH A PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE OF 1949 UNDER HRB CRITERIA C AND D PER STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION. THE DESIGNATION EXCLUDES THE SECOND STORY REAR ADDITION CONSTRUCTED OUTSIDE OF THE PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE. Seconded by Boardmember Taylor. The motion failed by a vote of 4-3-0 with Boardmembers Taylor, Woods, Coyle and Chair Hutter voting yea; and with Boardmembers Cortez, Winter, and McCullough voting no; and with Boardmembers Abrams, Byers, Cheng, and Farley absent.

ITEM-2

7236 COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE

City Council District: 1

Plan Area: La Jolla

Staff: Shannon Anthony

Public testimony in opposition to staff's recommendation received from Jennifer Stropes and Diane Kane.

No public testimony received in opposition of staff's recommendation

Speaker slip received in support of this item from Clint Daniels.

Speaker slip received in opposition of this item from Jennifer Stropes.

BOARD ACTION:

MOTION 1:

MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER COYLE TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7236 COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE UNDER CRITERION D AS A NOTABLE WORK OF MASTER ARCHITECTS THOMAS SHEPHERD AND HERBERT MANN WITH A PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE OF 1928. SPECIFICALLY, THE RESOURCE EXHIBITS THE SAME NOTEWORTHY FEATURES, INCLUDING MULTIPLE LOW-PITCHED GABLE ROOF PLANES, A ROOF COVERED IN RED TILE, EVE OVERHANGS, ARCHED ENTRYWAY, STUCCO WALLS, AN ASYMMETRICAL PLAN, AND BUILDING QUALITY AS THE ALREADY DESIGNATED THREE RESIDENCES IN LA JOLLA ATTRIBUTED TO THE SAME TIME PERIOD AND CREATIVE PARTNERSHIP. IT RETAINS, ACCORDING TO THE HISTORICAL RESOURCES RESEARCH REPORT, ADDENDUM, AND DR. KANE'S TESTIMONY, ALL OF THE ELEMENTS OF INTEGRITY. THIS DESIGNATION SHALL EXCLUDE THE 1996 SOUTHWEST ADDITION AND THE ENCLOSED SLEEPING PORCH. Seconded by Boardmember Abrams. The motion failed by a vote of 4-4-0 with Boardmembers Coyle, Abrams, Woods, and Winter voting yea; and with Boardmembers McCullough, Taylor, Cortez, and Chair Hutter voting no; and with Boardmembers Byers, Cheng, and Farley absent.

MOTION 2:

MOTION BY CHAIR HUTTER TO NOT DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7236 COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE UNDER ANY ADOPTED HRB CRITERIA PER STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION DUE TO A LACK OF INTEGRITY. Seconded by Boardmember Taylor. The motion failed by a vote of 4-4-0 with Boardmembers Cortez, Taylor, McCullough, and Chair Hutter voting yea; and with Boardmembers Winter, Woods, Abrams, and Coyle voting no; and with Boardmember Byers, Cheng, and Farley absent.
Note: This item was heard as the first discussion item.

ITEM-3 CLINTON ABBOTT/ WILLIAM TEMPLETON JOHNSON/ BRAWNER & HUNTER HOUSE

City Council District: 3

Plan Area: Uptown

Staff: Suzanne Segur

Public testimony in support of the designation received from Peter Kempson and lone Stiegler.

No public testimony received in opposition on this item.

No speaker slips received in support of this item.

Speaker slips received in opposition on this item from Clint Daniels.

BOARD ACTION:

CONSENT MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER MCCULLOUGH TO DESIGNATE THE CLINTON ABBOTT/ WILLIAM TEMPLETON JOHNSON/ BRAWNER & HUNTER HOUSE LOCATED AT 4499 HERMOSA WAY AS A HISTORICAL RESOURCE UNDER HRB CRITERION B WITH A PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE OF 1923-1944 AND UNDER HRB CRITERIA C AND D WITH A PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE OF 1923 PER STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION. THE DESIGNATION INCLUDES THE ORIGINAL GARAGE AND DON QUIXOTE TILE BENCH. THE DESIGNATION EXCLUDES THE 1987-1988 LAP POOL AND POOL STRUCTURE, THE MODIFIED TILED POND FEATURE AND THE GAZEBO. Seconded by Boardmember Taylor. The motion passed by a vote of 7-1-0 with Boardmembers Coyle, Abrams, McCullough, Woods, Winter, Taylor, and Cortez voting yea; and Chair Hutter voting no; and with Boardmembers Byers, Cheng, and Farley absent.

Note: This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda and was heard as the second discussion item.

ITEM-4 RALPH HURLBURT/ALEXANDER SCHREIBER SPEC HOUSE #4

City Council District: 3

Plan Area: Uptown

Staff: Alvin Lin

Public testimony in support of the designation received from Kiley Wallace and Jose Marrero.

No public testimony received in opposition on this item.

No speaker slips received in support of this item.

Speaker slips received in opposition on this item from Clint Daniels.

BOARD ACTION:

CONSENT MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER MCCULLOUGH TO DESIGNATE THE RALPH HURLBURT/ALEXANDER SCHREIBER SPEC HOUSE #4 LOCATED AT 3914 FALCON STREET AS A HISTORICAL RESOURCE WITH A PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE OF 1920 UNDER HRB CRITERIA C AND D PER STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION. THE DESIGNATION EXCLUDES THE DETACHED, CONVERTED GARAGE AND THE SWIMMING POOL. Seconded by Boardmember Taylor. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-0 with Boardmembers Coyle, Abrams, McCullough, Woods, Winter, Taylor, Cortez, and Chair Hutter voting yea, and with Boardmembers Byers, Cheng, and Farley absent.

Note: This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda and was heard as the third discussion item.

BREAK: 2:42 p.m. – 2:53 p.m.

ITEM-5 AMELIA AND CLARA IVES HOUSE

City Council District: 3

Plan Area: Greater Golden Hill

Staff: Alvin Lin

Public testimony in support of the designation received from Kiley Wallace and Christopher Bommarito.

No public testimony received in opposition on this item.

No speaker slips received in support of this item.

Speaker slips received in opposition on this item from Clint Daniels.

BOARD ACTION:

CONSENT MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER WOODS TO DESIGNATE THE AMELIA AND CLARA IVES HOUSE LOCATED AT 1817 DALE STREET AS A HISTORICAL RESOURCE WITH A PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE OF 1927 UNDER HRB CRITERION C PER STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION. THE DESIGNATION EXCLUDES THE 1983 ADDITION, 2016-2017 ADDITION, AND DETACHED COVERED CABANA, ALL BUILT OUTSIDE THE PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE. Seconded by Boardmember Winter. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0-0 with Boardmembers Coyle, McCullough, Woods, Winter, Taylor, Cortez, and Chair Hutter voting yea, and with Boardmember Abrams, Byers, Cheng, and Farley absent.

Note: This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda and was heard as the fourth discussion item.

ITEM-6 MARY SAMPLE/WILLIAM WAHRENBERGER SPEC. HOUSE #1

City Council District: 3

Plan Area: Uptown

Staff: Shannon Anthony

Public testimony in support of the designation received from Pamela Molohon and Ronald May.

No public testimony received in opposition on this item.

No speaker slips received in support of this item.

Speaker slips received in opposition on this item from Clint Daniels.

BOARD ACTION:

CONSENT MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER WINTER TO DESIGNATE THE MARY SAMPLE/WILLIAM WAHRENBERGER SPEC. HOUSE #1 LOCATED AT 2330 FORT STOCKTON DRIVE AS A HISTORICAL RESOURCE WITH A PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE OF 1914 UNDER HRB CRITERIA C AND D PER STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION. THE DESIGNATION EXCLUDES THE 1963 DETACHED "HOBBY ROOM" AND THE 2012 REAR ADDITION CONSTRUCTED OUTSIDE THE PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE. Seconded by Boardmember Taylor. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0-0 with Boardmembers Cortez, Taylor,

Winter, Woods, McCullough, Coyle, and Chair Hutter voting yea, and with Boardmember Abrams, Byers, Cheng, and Farley absent.

Note: This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda and was heard as the fifth discussion item.

ITEM-7 HRB NAMING POLICY UPDATE

Staff: Suzanne Segur

No public testimony received in support on this item.

No public testimony received in opposition on this item.

No speaker slips received in support on this item.

No speaker slips received in opposition on this item.

BOARD ACTION:

CONSENT MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER WINTER TO PLACE ITEM 7 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. Seconded by Boardmember Abrams. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-0 with Boardmembers Coyle, Abrams, McCullough, Woods, Winter, Taylor, Cortez, and Chair Hutter voting yea, and with Boardmembers Byers, Cheng, and Farley absent.

ITEM-8 POSSIBLE BOARD RESPONSE TO IBA REPORT

Staff: Kelley Stanco

No public testimony received in support on this item.

Public testimony received in opposition on this item from Jennifer Machian, Bruce Coons, and Lu Rehling.

Speaker slips received in support of this item from Charles Kaminski.

No speaker slips received in opposition on this item.

BOARD ACTION:

MOTION BY CHAIR HUTTER TO PUT THIS ON THE POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE AGENDA ON ONE OF THE NEXT TWO UPCOMING MEETINGS. Seconded by Boardmember Winter. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0-2 with Boardmembers Cortez, Taylor, Winter, Coyle, and Chair Hutter voting yea; and with Boardmembers Woods and McCullough abstaining; and with Boardmember Abrams, Byers, Cheng, and Farley absent.

Note: This item was heard as the last discussion item.