

# CITY OF SAN DIEGO HISTORICAL RESOURCES BOARD

DESIGN ASSISTANCE SUBCOMMITTEE  
Wednesday, September 7, 2016, at 4:00 PM  
5th Floor Large Conference Room  
City Operations Building, Development Services Department  
1222 First Avenue, San Diego, CA

## MEETING NOTES

### 1. ATTENDANCE

Subcommittee Members	Todd Plttman (Chair); Ann Woods; Matt Winter; David McCullough
City Staff	
	HRB Jodie Brown
Guests	
	Item 3A Vicki Estrada; Jack Carpenter
	Other Courtney Coyle

### 2. Public Comment (on matters not on the agenda)

### 3. Project Reviews

#### ▪ **ITEM 3A:**

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##### Listings:

Address: Park Boulevard

Historic Name: Balboa Park

Significance: HRB Site #1, NR

Mills Act Status: N/A

PTS #: N/A

Project Contact: Jack Carpenter; Vicki Estrada

Treatment: Rehabilitation

Project Scope: The project proposes to create and install new gateways to mark entry into Balboa Park along major vehicular access routes, including Park Boulevard at the north and south ends of the park; Pershing Drive at the north and south ends of the park; and at the southeast corner of the park near Golden Hill. The only gateways within the boundary of the Balboa Park NHL would be at the south end of Park Boulevard. The gateways are generally square with arched passageways and a blue domed roof.

Existing Square Feet: 0

Additional Square Feet: 0

Total Proposed Square Feet: 0

Prior DAS Review: N/A

Staff Presentation: The project proposes to create and install new gateways to mark the entry to the park along Park Boulevard. The design of the entry ways are based on the Precis Plan. Staff has previously reviewed the proposed plans and had some concern with the dome and matching the existing architecture of the park.

Applicant Presentation: Currently there is no sense of entry into Balboa Park. It is critical to introduce an entrance along Park Boulevard. When you get off the 163 and turn left, the only way you know you are at the park is the presence of grass. The Precis Plan shows the domes, but only on the south side. When you think of Balboa Park, you think of the Museum of Man which also has a dome. One of the gateway entrances that we are proposing is located within the district the other is located directly across the street outside of the district. We expect that the entrances will be domed with solid precast or poured in place concrete. We are replicating the dome and arches from the existing buildings. We will also have up lights and subtle LED lights on the gateway. At the bottom we will provide acknowledgement of the donors with bronze plaques on the interior. The name "Balboa Park" will not be painted on. It will be incised or protruding out and both sides would match.

Public Comment:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Courtney Coyle	Provide information on the donor panels. (They would be located on the interior and could be bronze)
Courtney Coyle	What will the letter for Balboa Park be? (We are currently looking at different fonts and the letters will be recessed.)

Q&A:

<b>Subcommittee-member Issue or Question</b>	<b>Applicant's Response</b>
Love the design. I don't think that it is not big enough. I think it should be bigger.	I did have a taller/smaller, but the scale seemed appropriate. I can take a second look.
Everything in Balboa Park is grand, so I have concerns that when something is built it is diminished.	
I have concerns with the tile.	
Are there other domes in Balboa Park?	There is also a dome on the Lath House.
The Beauty of the park is the scale and proportion, I think that it is important to maintain it.	I definitely want to make sure that it is right.
I get that that there is something to staff's comments. I would love to see some way that it is different from the historic elements.	I can make sure that we do not replicate the existing tile.
To me, this is a signage package. Other domes are far away, so not there is not too much interaction.	

Subcommittee-member Issue or Question	Applicant's Response
There is a lot of detailing on this one.	There are many more that are more decorative.
If you are standing underneath, what will it look like?	Flat, coffered, pretty simple
Would the exterior be integral color?	Yes.

Subcommittee Discussion and Comment:

Subcommittee-member	Comments
Pittman	The proposed project appears to be consistent with the Standards.

Staff Comment:

None

Recommended Modifications:

Consensus:

- ☒ Consistent with the Standards
- ☐ Consistent with the Standards if modified as noted
- ☐ Inconsistent with the Standards and needs revision and additional review
- ☐ Inconsistent with the Standards but is the best feasible alternative
- ☐ Inconsistent with the Standards

4. Adjourned at 4.54PM

The next regularly-scheduled Subcommittee Meeting will be on October 5, 2016 at 4:00 PM.

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