

**CITY OF SAN DIEGO
HISTORICAL RESOURCES BOARD
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 29, 2020
VIRTUAL HEARING**

CHRONOLOGY OF THE MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Chair McCullough at 1:00 PM

Chairperson David McCullough	Present
Vice-Chairperson Tim Hutter	Absent
2 nd Vice-Chairperson Courtney Ann Coyle	Present
Boardmember Andrew Bowen	Present
Boardmember Diana Cordileone	Absent
Boardmember Amy Harleman	Present
Boardmember Todd Pitman	Present
Boardmember Cindy Stankowski	Present – <i>arrived 1:45pm</i>
Boardmember Mathew Winter	Present – <i>arrived 1:03pm</i>
Boardmember Ann Woods	Present

Staff to the Board in Attendance

Sheila Santos, Board Secretary
Anna McPherson, Program Manager
Kelley Stanco, Project Manager
Suzanne Segur, Senior Planner, Board Liaison
Emma Haggerty, Associate Planner
Gemma Tierney, Associate Planner
Megan Bacik, Junior Planner

Legal Counsel in Attendance:

Lindsey Sebastian, Deputy City Attorney

ITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR September 24, 2020

BOARD ACTION:

MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER COYLE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 24, 2020 WITH CORRECTIONS.

Seconded by Boardmember Pitman

Vote: 7-0-0

Motion Passes

ITEM 2 – NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Charles Kaminski recommended that the Historical Resources Board, through the Policy Subcommittee and public outreach, create a strategy to discuss how cultural resources can be better identified under Criterion A and B. The San Diego register should more accurately reflect the national conversation about inclusion, diversity and equity.

Charles Kaminski also noted the loss of the Red Rest to fire and urged the HRB to do more to protect designated resources.

ITEM 3 - ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

A. BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

• **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- Correspondence from Lars Fredrik Gullberg for Item 7
- HRB Criteria Guidelines
- Motion and Findings Form for Historical Designation

• **GENERAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Boardmember Bowen expressed that he would like the City to provide a brief update on the status of San Diego stadium.

B. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

• **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Boardmember Coyle knows the owners of Item 10 – Helen Copley/Henry Hester House but does not have a conflict on this item and it will now have any impact on her vote.

• **EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

• **FAILURE TO VISIT DESIGNATION SITES (INCLUDING INTERIORS/PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION)/INVOCATION OF WAIVER**

None.

C. STAFF REPORT

• **HISTORICAL RESOURCES SECTION, DSD**

Anna McPherson, Program Manager

The appeal of the historic designation of the Gaslamp Quarter Historic District contributor was scheduled to be heard by City Council on October 6th. At that meeting the item was continued until November 17th.

The Development Services Department is in the process of hiring a Senior Planner and Junior Planner and will begin the interviewing process shortly.

Suzanne Segur, Senior Planner

Tutorial on new online bookings feature for First Contacts.

• **HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLANNING SECTION, PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

Kelley Stanco, Development Project Manager

I wanted to provide the Board with an update on the Historic District work program. This year we processed the Park Villas Historic District in North Park and the Culverwell and Taggart District in Golden Hill, which is located West of the existing Golden Hill District.

For the Park Villas Historic District, we did the context and the survey work, met with stakeholders and ultimately concluded that, that District would not be eligible for designation due to a lack of integrity. We will be bringing that forward to the Board as an info item later this year, either at the November or December meeting to go through what the process was, what the survey results were and why we ultimately concluded that the District was ineligible.

The Culverwell and Taggart Historic District, that District has roughly 240 or so properties in it. Our staff has concluded the context works and there are some minor edits on the context. The survey work, we are going through and entering all of the data in the forms right now for the survey work. There are about four forms per property, it's quite a bit of data entry and we were set back a little bit this year from the pandemic and adjusting to telework, and surveying. We should be wrapping up that survey work and having all those records created in the next couple of weeks. But we are very sensitive to the fact that initiating outreach to the property owners, during the holiday season, and during a pandemic is probably not the best thing to do, stress wise for everyone. They are looking to start the public outreach process and the public hearing process with the Board in January or February of next year. Those will be coming to the you shortly, we are wrapping it up, we just didn't want to start that process for property owners, this late in the year.

We are also starting right now our new districts for next year, starting those tasks orders and getting those started. We are on track, running a few months behind on Culverwell and Taggart, given everything that everyone has been dealing with this year, but wanted to provide that update to you.

Myra Herrmann, Senior Planner

Good afternoon Boardmembers and members of the public. My name is Myra Herrmann. I'm a Senior Environmental Planner, Archaeologist and Tribal Liaison in the Planning Department. And although not present today, I wanted to make note that Jeff Szymanski, he's also a Senior Planner, Archaeologist and Tribal Liaison in the Development Services Department, he also contributed to some of the context in this presentation and he also shares in the information with respect to cultural and tribal resources. With the close of California Archaeology month tomorrow, I'm going to present just a brief overview of the City's cultural resources efforts for the past year.

A quick reminder of what a tribal liaison does. We provide technical support for archaeological and tribal issues citywide for public and private projects. Assist with archaeological determinations and evaluation methodology. Jeff and I both coordinate with our respective environmental staff on noticing and consultation requests for Assembly Bill 52 and we facilitate the consultation process when applicable. For the Planning Department initiatives, I am responsible for assisting and facilitating with tribal consultation in accordance with Senate Bill 18. Under Assembly Bill 52, the City is currently consulting with three Kumeyaay tribes, the Jamul Indian Village, San Pascual Band of Mission Indians, and the Lipay Nation of Santa Ysabel. All consultations have converted to virtual platform, Microsoft Teams in the Planning Department. I believe that the Development Services Department has been doing their consultations through Teams as well or through Skype.

One of the main topics that we had from last year that I want to just briefly touch on is the Native American Bedrock Mortar in Cuvier Park. In 2007, I was notified about the removal of the bedrock mortar from Cuvier Park by Tribal Councilman Jesse Pinto from the Jamul Indian Village. This is Jesse, his son, and his grandson standing next to the mortar several years before the event occurred.

During last year's presentation, I included several slides showing the bedrock mortar reinstallation that was completed in October 2019. I noted in that presentation that a bronze plaque with a message from the Kumeyaay people had been ordered and would be placed on the East side of the mortar, facing the sidewalk for all to see. Well, as you know, what they say about best laid plans, with all good intentions, we held off on planning a dedication event until the plaque was complete and that didn't happen until

mid-March. And by then everything was shut down due to COVID-19 restrictions, so we were unable to do anything out in the park. But despite that setback, we're hoping now that since there's been some soft openings of the parks, we're hoping to have a dedication service or ceremony as soon as the Park and Recreation Department gives us the okay. In the meantime, I wanted to share a picture of the plaque.

The text on this plaque was provided by Tribal Chairwoman, Erica Pinto, with assistance from Carlene Chamberlain and Lisa Cumper from the Jamul Indian Village. There were several reiterations and this was the one that Jamul felt strongly about, that it would be a very good statement and sentiment to have at the public space in the park next to the bedrock mortar.

All of the efforts that Jeff and I have been doing for the past year with staff, one of the comments that I wanted to make is that through our respective projects in both Departments, Jeff and I have been able to work with staff on archaeological issues, protecting resources, approving data recovery testing plans, and as well as working with our Kumeyaay partners to help preserve and protect resources in our planning level documents and development projects. We're hoping that will be something that we'll continue on in the coming years. And as we implement more of our community plan updates and implement policies that speak to coordinating with the tribal community and other local descendant communities, and other communities that have interests, historic buildings, archaeology, and culture. But I also wanted to let everybody know that November is Native American Heritage month. There are going to be several events going on throughout the country, throughout the state and locally. Webinars, virtual seminars and other events that I believe the tribal community will be presenting as well. If anybody is interested in those, we can try to get you that information through some other formats. Thank you very much for your time and I appreciate what you guys are doing. Thank you.

D. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT OUT

- **POLICY & ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES**

Report out by Suzanne Segur

More information regarding the Policy and Archaeological and Tribal Cultural Resources Subcommittees can be found on the Development Services website.

- **DESIGN ASSISTANCE**

Report out by Suzanne Segur

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Design Assistance Subcommittee will be held Wednesday, November 4, 2020, at 4:00pm.

E. REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCES

The applicant for Item 6 – the Butler Boyd Building has formally withdrawn from the October 29, 2020 agenda.

ITEM 4 - REQUESTS FOR ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA

ITEM 8 – FLORENCE PALMER SPEC HOUSE #2 *located at 7154 Olivetas Avenue*

ITEM 9 – ERNEST AND THELMA MCGOWAN SPEC HOUSE #1 *located at 5471 Madison Avenue*

ITEM 10 – HELEN COPLEY/HENRY HESTER HOUSE *located at 7932 Prospect Place*

ITEM 12 – APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING

BOARD ACTION:

MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER PITMAN TO APPROVE ITEMS 8, 9,10, AND 12 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA PER STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION.

Seconded by Boardmember Cordileone Vote: 7-0-0 Motion Passes

ACTION ITEMS

ITEM 5 – GUSTAVE AND BLANCHE EHRENBERG APARTMENTS

Continued from September 2020

Applicant: 6th & Thorn LLC represented by Marie Burke Lia

Location: 504 – 522 Thorn Street, 92104, Uptown Community, Council District 3 (**1269 7-A**)

Description: Consider the designation of the property located at 504 – 522 Thorn Street as a historical resource.

Today's Action: Designate the property as a historical resource under adopted designation criteria, or do not designate.

Staff Recommendation: Designate the Gustave and Blanche Ehrenberg Apartments located at 519-522 Thorn Street as a historical resource with a period of significance of 1913 under HRB Criterion C. The designation excludes the property located at 504 Thorn Street.

Report Number: Staff memo dated October 15, 2020 and HRB-20-028

Staff Report by Emma Haggerty

Testimony Received:

In Favor: Amie Hayes

In Opposition: Marie Burke Lia

BOARD ACTION:

MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER WINTER TO DESIGNATE ITEM 5 – GUSTAVE AND BLANCHE EHRENBERG APARTMENTS UNDER HRB CRITERION C PER STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION.

Seconded by Boardmember Stankowski Vote: 6-2-0 Motion Passes
(Coyle, Pitman)

ITEM 6 – BUTLER BOYD COMMERCIAL BUILDING

Applicant: 770 12th Ave LLC represented by Marie Burke Lia

Location: 770 12th Avenue, 92101, Downtown Community, Council District 3 (**1289 3-B**)

Description: Consider the designation of the property located at 770 12th Avenue as a historical resource.

Today's Action: Designate the property as a historical resource under adopted designation criteria, or do not designate.

Staff Recommendation: Designate the Butler Boyd Commercial Building located at 770 12th Avenue as a historical resource with a period of significance of 1933 under HRB Criterion C.

Report Number: HRB-20-048

Staff Report by Emma Haggerty

THIS ITEM WAS WITHDRAWN AT THE REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT.

ITEM 7 – JENNIE HAAS HOUSE

Applicant: Coder Living Trust represented by Scott Moomjian

Location: 4374 Georgia Street, 92103, North Park Community, Council District 3 **(1269 4-C)**

Description: Consider the designation of the property located at 4374 Georgia Street as a historical resource.

Today's Action: Designate the property as a historical resource under adopted designation criteria, or do not designate.

Staff Recommendation: Designate the Jennie Haas House located at 4374 Georgia Street as a historical resource with a period of significance of 1913 under HRB Criterion C. The designation excludes the non-original shed and garage which were built outside the period of significance.

Report Number: HRB-20-053

Staff Report by Emma Haggerty

Testimony Received:

In Favor: Amie Hayes

In Opposition: Scott Moomjian, Nikala Coder

BOARD ACTION:

MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER PITMAN TO DESIGNATE ITEM 7 – JENNIE HAAS HOUSE UNDER HRB CRITERION C PER STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION.

Seconded by Boardmember Winter

Vote: 8-0-0

Motion Passes

ITEM 8 – FLORENCE PALMER SPEC HOUSE #2

Applicant: Benjamin Reineman and Amy Waterhouse represented by Vonn Marie May

Location: 7154 Olivetas Avenue, 92037, La Jolla Community, Council District 1 **(1247 1-E)**

Description: Consider the designation of the property located at 7154 Olivetas Avenue as a historical resource.

Today's Action: Designate the property as a historical resource under adopted designation criteria, or do not designate.

Staff Recommendation: Designate the Florence Palmer Spec House #2 located at 7154 Olivetas Avenue as a historical resource with a period of significance of 1927 under HRB Criteria C and D. The designation excludes the rear addition built outside the period of significance.

Report Number: HRB-20-049

ITEM PASSED ON CONSENT.

ITEM 9 – ERNEST AND THELMA MCGOWAN SPEC HOUSE #1

Applicant: Justin and Sarah Jones represented by IS Architecture

Location: 5471 Madison Avenue 92115, College Area Community, Council District 9 **(1270 3-B)**

Description: Consider the designation of the property located at 5471 Madison Avenue as a historical resource.

Today's Action: Designate the property as a historical resource under adopted designation criteria, or do not designate.

Staff Recommendation: Designate the Ernest and Thelma McGowan Spec House #1 located at 5471 Madison Avenue as a historical resource with a period of significance of 1931 under HRB Criterion C. The designation includes the detached garage and enclosed eastern patio. The designation excludes a 1964 addition of the south façade of the main house and the undated addition to the south façade of the detached garage.

Report Number: HRB-20-050

ITEM PASSED ON CONSENT.

ITEM 10 – HELEN COPLEY/HENRY HESTER HOUSE

Applicant: Rohm Family Trust represented by Johnson & Johnson

Location: 7932 Prospect Place, 92037, La Jolla Community, Council District 1 (1227 6-F)

Description: Consider the designation of the property located at 7932 Prospect Place as a historical resource.

Today's Action: Designate the property as a historical resource under adopted designation criteria, or do not designate.

Staff Recommendation: Designate the Helen Copley/Henry Hester House located at 7932 Prospect Place as a historical resource with a period of significance of 1987 under HRB Criteria C and D.

Report Number: HRB-20-051

ITEM PASSED ON CONSENT.

ITEM 11 – FREDERICK AND MARIANNE LIEBHARDT HOUSE

Applicant: Paul Basile and Julie Wilson represented by Johnson & Johnson

Location: 7224 Carrizo Drive, 92037, La Jolla Community, Council District 1 (1227 6-F)

Description: Consider the designation of the property located at 7224 Carrizo Drive as a historical resource.

Today's Action: Designate the property as a historical resource under adopted designation criteria, or do not designate.

Staff Recommendation: Designate the Frederick and Marianne Liebhardt House located at 7224 Carrizo Drive as a historical resource with a period of significance of 1951-1969 under HRB Criterion C. The designation includes the 1969 Post and Beam addition.

Report Number: HRB-20-054

Staff Report by Suzanne Segur

Testimony Received:

In Favor: Sarai Johnson, Julie Wilson

In Opposition:

BOARD ACTION:

MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER PITMAN TO DESIGNATE THE FREDRICK AND MARIANNE LIEBHARDT HOUSE LOCATED AT 7224 CARRIZO DRIVE UNDER HRB CRITERION D AS A RESOURCE THAT IS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NOTABLE WORK OF FREDERICK LIEBHARDT, A MASTER ARCHITECT WITH THE PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE OF 1951-1999. THE RESOURCE REPRESENTS A STYLE OF SAN DIEGO REGIONAL MODERNISM REPRESENTED BY A SITE SPECIFIC APPROACH TO BOTH CONSTRUCTION AND SITING OFTEN DRIVEN BY CLIAMTE AND SOLAR EXPOSURE. AS HIS PERSONAL RESIDENCE, LIEBHARDT'S WORK RESPONDS LOGICALLY TO THE NEEDS OF HIS CLIENT BUT ALSO IS TIED TO ITS SPECIFIC CONTEXT AND LOCATION. HIS MORE ORGANIC APPROACH TO THE CONSTRUCTION METHODS OF ALL ERAS CAN BE SEEN IN HIS EXTENSIVE USE OF EXPOSED WOODS, OFTEN NATIVE ROCK, EXPOSED CONCRETE AS WELL AS A DIRECT EXPRESSION OF THE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS OF THE BUILDING. CONTEXTUAL LANDSCAPE IS A PRIME FEATURE OF THE INTERIOR OF THE BUILDING. THOUGHTFUL SITE ORIENTATION AND THE EXTENSIVE USE OF GLASS ALLOWS BOTH PRIVACY AND CONNECTIVITY TO THE OUTDOORS. ALL OF THESE ASPECTS OF LIEBHARDT'S ARCHITECTURAL VERNACULAR ARE USED IN THE DESING OF HIS OWN HOME.

Seconded by Boardmember Winter

Vote: 8-0-0

Motion Passes

BOARD ACTION:

MOTION BY BOARDMEMBER PITMAN TO DESIGNATE THE FREDRICK AND MARIANNE LIEBHARDT HOUSE LOCATED AT 7224 CARRIZO DRIVE UNDER HRB CRITERION C PER STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION.

Seconded by Boardmember Coyle

Vote: 8-0-0

Motion Passes

ITEM 12 – APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING

Applicant: City of San Diego

Location: City-wide

Description: Consider the scheduling of a special meeting of the Historical Resources Board on December 4, 2020.

Today's Action: Schedule a special meeting of the Historical Resources Board on December 4, 2020, or do not schedule.

Staff Recommendation: Schedule a special meeting on Friday, December 4, 2020 at 1:00pm.

Report Number: Memo dated October 15, 2020

ITEM PASSED ON CONSENT.

REMINDER:

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE: Thursday, November 19, 2020

LOCATION: Virtual Hearing

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:23 PM