

Save Our Heritage Organisation Protecting San Diego's architectural and cultural heritage since 1969

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Historical Resources Board City of San Diego 1222 First Avenue, MS 501 San Diego, CA 92101

Re: January 27, 2022 agenda – Items 2, 3, 4 and 5

Chair McCullough, Board members and staff,

Item 2: 2354 Pine Street: Save Our Heritage Organisation (SOHO) concurs with the staff report and finds this c.1952 house significant under Criteria C and D for architecture and as the notable work of Master Architect Richard George Wheeler. Embodying distinctive features of the Custom Ranch style, these include the single-story and horizontal massing, deep front yard setback, hip roof, prominent stone chimney, U-shape plan, clerestory and floor to ceiling windows, and more. Designed by Wheeler early in his career, this is a unique resource for the Mission Hills Expansion District area and is one of his notable works due to the high quality and style of this design.

Item 3: 10 East Roseland Drive: SOHO agrees with the staff report and recommends designation under Criteria C and D. Designed by Master Architect Sim Bruce Richards, this unique modern c.1947 Contemporary style home is highly intact with features that include multiple roof forms (flat, gable, and shed) with deep overhangs, exposed rafter tails and structural members, vertical wood siding, large fixed and clerestory windows, divided-lite casement windows, angular massing, attached carport, brick chimney and more. This resource is further significant for the 1967-68 addition, which illustrates a separate period of his career and growth as a designer.

Item 4: 1647 Los Altos: SOHO concurs with the staff report and finds this c.1955 Contemporary style resource significant under Criterion C for architecture. Highlighting a front breezeway that emphasizes the interior and exterior connection, other character defining features are the single-story form and T-shape, horizontal massing, low-pitched gable roof with wide eaves and exposed roof beams, vertical board and batten siding, and multiple window types including floor to ceiling, casement and clerestory. An additional contributing structure is the detached porte-cochere style carport/workshop, surrounded by the driveway, with features similar to the house that include the low-pitched gable roof, various window types, and vertical wood siding.

Item 5: 4831 Hart Drive: SOHO agrees with the staff report and finds this Spanish Eclectic style resource significant under Criterion C for architecture. Constructed in 1926, character defining features include the asymmetrical façade, low-pitch roof with minimal eaves and exposed rafter tails, exterior stucco finish, half-barrel red terra cotta tiles, divided-lite wood casement windows, arch focal window, decorative window grilles, and a pony wall entry patio.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment,

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