



City of Arts & Innovation

CULTURAL HERITAGE BOARD MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2024, 3:30 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENT IN PERSON/TELEPHONE
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET

COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT: J. Brown, M. Carter, K. Castellanos, C. McDoniel, J. Sisson (Virtual)
ABSENT: N. Ferguson, J. Gamble, A. Hudson
STAFF: S. Watson, T. Torres, M. Tinio, I. De Honor

Vice-Chair McDoniel called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m.

Board Member Sisson announced that he is attending the meeting virtually under AB 2449 provision of Just Cause due to caregiving needs.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no comments from the audience.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar was unanimously approved as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of November 20, 2024, were approved as presented.

Motion by Board Member Brown and Seconded by Board Member Carter, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Motion Carried: 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, 3 Absent, 0 Abstention

AYES: Brown, Carter, Castellanos, McDoniel, Sisson (Virtual)

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: Ferguson, Gamble, Hudson

ABSTENTION: NONE

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

CULTURAL HERITAGE BOARD ATTENDANCE

The board discussed the absence of Board Member Carter and Board Member Hudson from the November 20, 2024, regular meeting of the Cultural Heritage Board. Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Brown and seconded by Board Member Castellanos to excuse the absence of Board Member Carter and Board Member Hudson from the November 20, 2024 regular meeting of the Cultural Heritage Board.



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AYES: Brown, Carter, Castellanos, McDoniel, Sisson (Virtual)

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: Gamble, Ferguson, Hudson

ABSTENTION: NONE

PLANNING CASE DP-2024-01493 – CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS – 2060 UNIVERSITY AVE, WARD 1

Proposal by City of Riverside General Services Department to consider a Certificate of Appropriateness for the exterior rehabilitation of the Cesar Chavez Center (City Landmark #49) including: 1) replacement of wood windows and repair of steel windows; 2) reroofing, including reinstallation of existing clay tiles; 3) installation of new lighting; 4) repainting, including stripping of paint from the decorative front and side entries; and 5) various site improvements. Scott Watson, Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report. David Masenten of ELS Architect presented the applicant presentation and stated they were in agreement with the recommended conditions of approval. There were 2 Public Comments. The public comment period was closed. Following discussion it was moved by Board Member Brown and seconded by Board Member Carter to 1) Determine that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to Sections 15301 (Existing Facility) and 15331 (Historic Resource Restoration/Rehabilitation) as it constitutes as rehabilitation of an existing historic structure that is consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties; 2) Approve Planning Case DP-2024-01493 (Certificate of Appropriateness), based on the facts for findings outlined and summarized in the staff report, and subject to the recommended conditions of approval; and to include 3) All windows that will be replaced shall be salvaged for sale or donation per applicants choice, and if any glass breaks in the removal process, the glass shall be used in art to the extent feasible. Vice-Chair McDoniel advised of the appeal period.

The Cultural Heritage Board's decision is final unless appealed to City Council.

Motion Carried: 3 Ayes, 2 Noes, 3 Absent, 0 Abstention

AYES: Brown, Carter, Castellanos

NOES: McDoniel, Sisson (Virtual)

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ABSTENTION: NONE



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PRESENTATION

PRESENTATION ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Presentation on Historic Preservation and Economic Development was continued to the January 15, 2025 regular meeting of the Cultural Heritage Board.

COMMUNICATIONS

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS AND UPDATE FROM CITY PLANNER AND BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Watson briefed the Board on upcoming agenda items for the January 15, 2025 regular meeting of the Cultural Heritage Board.

Happy Holidays!

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:27 p.m. to the meeting of January 15, 2025 at 3:30 p.m.

Approved as presented at the January 15, 2025 meeting.