Planning Commission: May 17, 2023

Agenda Item: 02



# CULTURAL HERITAGE BOARD DRAFT MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023, 3:30 P.M.
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ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET

## **BOARD MEMBERS**

PRESENT: J. Brown, M. Carter (L), N. Ferguson, J. Gamble, C. McDoniel, J. Sisson (LE), C.

Tobin

ABSENT: A. Hudson

STAFF: M. Tinio, S. Watson, M. Taylor, A. Beaumon

Chair Gamble called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no comments from the public.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

#### **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meetings of March 15, 2023, were approved as presented.

### **CULTURAL HERITAGE BOARD ATTENDANCE**

The Board excused the March 15, 2023 of Board Member Ferguson due to business.

2023 First Quarter Report on Historic Preservation Activity – pulled for discussion

Board Member Sisson pulled item 4, 2023 First Quarterly Report on Historic Preservation activity for discussion.

Motion by Board Member Sisson and Seconded by Board Member Brown, to approve the Consent Calendar as modified.

Motion Carried: 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent, 1 Abstention AYES: Brown, Gamble, McDoniel, Sisson, Tobin

NOES: None

ABSENT: Carter, Hudson,

ABSTENTION: Ferguson



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2023 First Quarter Report on Historic Preservation Activity

Board Member Sisson inquired about the status of certain activities.

Mr. Watson replied to the inquiries.

Motion by Board Member Sisson and Seconded by Board Member Brown, to approve the 2023 First Quarter Report on Historic Preservation Activity.

Motion Carried: unanimously

AYES: Brown, Carter, Ferguson, Gamble, McDoniel, Sisson, Tobin

NOES: None ABSENT: Hudson, ABSTENTION: None

## **PRESENTATION**

PRESENTATION ON THE OLD RIVERSIDE FOUNDATION, BY DAVE STOLTE, FOUNDATION PRESIDENT

Mr. Stolte gave a presentation on the activities of the Old Riverside Foundation and provided information about the upcoming Historic Home Tour.

#### PRESENTATION ON THE HISTORY OF THE FOOD MACHINERY CORPORATION COMPLEX

Board Member Sisson motioned to move this item until after item 8, Riverside's Main Museum Renovation Workshop, Seconded by Board Member McDoniel.

Chair Gamble noted that at a previous meeting, the Board requested that verbiage be added to the presentations. The added language would allow the Board to make recommendations on these items. She noticed that this agenda did not have the language.

Mr. Beaumon, Sr. Deputy City Attorney, noted that this is fact dependent and depends on what that decision is. The public has a right to know what action is being discussed and what action is being taken. A catch all saying that some action could be taken



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doesn't really apprise the public of what it is. In context to the Brown Act, something that general would not suffice. The Board would need to state what that action is and if you do not know what that is, the implication is that neither would someone else.

Board Member Carter arrived at this time.

Motion Carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent, 1 Abstention

AYES: Brown, Ferguson, Gamble, McDoniel, Sisson, Tobin

NOES: None ABSENT: Hudson ABSTENTION: Carter

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

PLANNING CASE: DP-2022-01794 - HISTORIC DESIGNATION - 3991 LORING DRIVE, WARD Proposal by Fabio and Caren Silveira to consider a Historic Designation request to designate the Paul A. Lewis Residence as a City Landmark. Scott Watson, Historic Preservation Officer presented the staff report. Mr. Watson announced that the applicant was unable to attend today due to a family emergency. There were no public comments. Following discussion it was moved by Board Member Sisson and seconded by Board Member Brown to recommend that the City Council: 1) Determine that Planning Case DP-2022-01794 (Historic Designation) for the designation of the Paul A. Lewis Residence as a City Landmark is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Sections 15061(b)(3) (Common Sense Rule) and 15308 (Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment), as the proposal will have no significant effect on the environment, identifies the structure as a cultural resource, and preserves the historic character of a cultural resource; and 2) Approve Planning Case DP-2022-01794 (Historic Designation), based on the findings outlined in the staff report to designate the Paul A. Lewis Residence as a City Landmark. With an addition to the findings of fact, Criterion 3 to add at the very end: "and Stack Stone accents exterior as well as interior to the inside fire place". This is a character defining feature and this would provide it some protection.

Motion Carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent, 0 Abstention

AYES: Brown, Carter, Ferguson, Gamble, McDoniel, Sisson, Tobin

NOES: None ABSENT: Hudson



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ABSTENTION: None

A City Council public hearing is required for final approval of this item.

#### **WORKSHOP**

Status of the Conceptual Designs for the Museum of Riverside's Main Museum Renovation and Expansion Project

Mr. Watson introduced Robyn Peterson, Director of the Riverside Museum.

Ms. Peterson presented a progress report on the architectural design for the renovation and expansion of the Main Museum building.

Chair Gamble thanked Ms. Peterson for all her work.

PRESENTATION – Continued from earlier on the agenda

PRESENTATION ON THE HISTORY OF THE FOOD MACHINERY CORPORATION COMPLEX

Board Member Tobin stated that RCTC voted to suspend their project which would have impacted this building. He noted that there is much value of what Mr. watson has put together here for this presentation. He questioned whether there was a group that could take forward a State or National landmark designation for this site. All the necessary documentation to substantiate this designation is here.

Board Member McDoniel added that she understood that the Council Member has directed the Board to pursue some kind of landmark designation. She stated she would like to hear Mr. Watson's presentation.

Board Member Sisson announced that he had to leave but would look forward to watching the presentation later.

Board Member Brown asked if the site was a City Landmark and who the property owner was.



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Mr. Watson responded that the site was currently a City Landmark but is also eligible for a State and National Landmark listing. He replied that the current owner is Prism Aerospace.

Board Member Brown stated that if they were interested in pursuing a National Landmark designation, you would have to have the owner's agreement.

Motion made by Board Member Brown, Seconded by Board Member McDoniel, to agendize the presentation along with the relevant information regarding the Board's discussion of the possibility for both a State and National Landmark designation. He asked that the property owner be invited for the discussion.

Motion Carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent, 0 Abstention

AYES: Brown, Carter, Ferguson, Gamble, McDoniel, Sisson, Tobin

NOES: None ABSENT: Hudson ABSTENTION: None

## COMMUNICATIONS

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

Ms. Tinio went over the upcoming items for future agendas.

Mr. Beaumon introduced Wes Stanfield, in the audience. Mr. Stanfield will be taking over Mr. Beaumon's role on the Cultural Heritage Board.

Chair Gamble reminded everyone that the Mills Act Program is available and applications will be received until the end of May.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m. to the meeting of May 17, 2023 at 3:30 p.m.