

CULTURAL HERITAGE BOARD DRAFT MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2022, 3:30 P.M. VIRTUAL MEETING

City of Arts & Innovation

COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT: J. Brown, M. Carter, J. Cuevas, N. Ferguson, J. Gamble, P. Horychuk, S. Lech,

C. McDoniel, C. Tobin

ABSENT: None

STAFF: M. Kopaskie-Brown, S. Watson, A. Beaumon, F. Andrade

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

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were comments from the audience.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

CULTURAL HERITAGE BOARD ATTENDANCE

The Board excused the October 20, 2021 absence of Board Members: J. Brown (Business), N. Ferguson (Business) and S. Lech (Illness) and the November 17, 2021 absence of Board Member M. Carter due to Business.

2021 – 4th Quarter Report on Historic Preservation Activity

Motion made by Board Member McDoniel, Seconded by Board Member Horychuk to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Motion Carried: 8 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent, 1 Abstention

AYES: Brown, Carter, Ferguson, Gamble, Horychuk, Lech, McDoniel, Tobin

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTENTION: Cuevas



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DISCUSSION CALENDAR

Review of the Cultural Heritage Board Subcommittee's draft comment letter in response to Riverside County Transportation Commission's Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Riverside-Downtown Metrolink Station Improvements Project

Scott Watson, Historic Preservation Officer, introduced the Item.

Board Member Tobin gave an outline of the subcommittee's recommended comments.

Chair Lech called for any public comments. There was no one requesting to speak.

Ms. Kopaskie-Brown clarified that the Cultural Heritage Board will be asking Councilmember Cervantes to bring this before the City Council granting the Board authority to submit the letter on behalf of the Board. She did not know if there would be an expectation to have the board members discuss specifics of the letter.

Board Member Brown commented that the subcommittee's report reflects careful and reasoned analysis of the Draft EIR. He thanked the members for taking the time given the time constraints and length of the EIR.

Motion by Board Member Brown, Seconded by Board Member Carter; That the Cultural Heritage Board entertain a motion to receive and approve the subcommittee's report and take the necessary steps to permit the Cultural Heritage Board to incorporate the report into a comment letter on the Draft EIR.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

AYES: Brown, Carter, Cuevas, Ferguson, Gamble, Horychuk, Lech, McDoniel,

Tobin

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTENTION: None



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COMMUNICATIONS

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

Ms. Kopaskie-Brown stated that staff did not have any items for the February Cultural Heritage Board meeting other than the GIS update. She asked if the Board would be in agreement to schedule the Title 20 review as it has been difficult to schedule a special meeting of the Board.

It was the consensus of the Board to proceed with the Title 20 review at the February meeting.

Board Member Brown stated that the Friends of the State Citrus Park are requesting appropriations from the State to complete the improvements to the park. They would welcome an opportunity to update the Cultural Heritage Board with regard to this project at a future meeting.

Ms. Kopaskie-Brown stated that staff will work on scheduling this for the March meeting.

Board Member Ferguson recognized the passing of Lou and Jennifer Vaughn-Blakely. They will be a great loss to the community.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:49 p.m. to the meeting of February 16, 2022 at 3:30 p.m.