Metropolitan Museum Board HARADA HOUSE PROJECT COMMITTEE MINUTES

October 5, 2018

3580 Mission Inn Avenue, Riverside, CA 92501

Committee Members Present Committee Members Absent

Dave Barnhart Lauren Bricker Councilman Mike Gardner **Todd Carpenter** Naomi Harada Gina Collins Eleanor Colombo Meiko Inaba Carol McDoniel Jim Ferguson Rose Monge Peyton Hall Steve Spiller Anthea Hartig Nancy Takano Mary Hughes **Dwight Tate** Hillary Jenks Chuck Wilson Elissa Kido Kathy Wright Sarah Mundy Michiko Yoshimura Bonnie Small

City Staff Present

Brenda Buller Focht Lisa Masengale

CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Wilson called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

INTRODUCTION

Lisa Masengale, the Museum's new Curator of Historic Structures was introduced. Curator Masengale shared with the Committee her background and her duties at the Museum.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes for the meeting held on September 7, 2018 were approved as written.

Motion: Committee Member Spiller Second: Committee Councilman Gardner

Aves: All

STATE LANDMARK DESIGNATION UPDATE

There were no updates on the State Landmark Designation application for the NHL Harada House.

MUSEUM BOARD REPORT

The Metropolitan Museum Board did not meet in September.

100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF HARADA HOUSE LEGAL CASE

The 100th Anniversary Celebration was a great success with approximately 125 guests in attendance. A diverse audience including neighborhood residents attended. Congressman Mark Takano, Councilman Mike Gardner, California Historical Society CEO Anthea Hartig, and Jukichi and Ken Harada's granddaughter Naomi Harada spoke.

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ROBINSON HOUSE PRESERVATION PROJECT

There was no update.

HARADA HOUSE FOUNDATION

Committee Member Wilson reported that George Takei and former United States Secretary of Transportation Norman Yoshio Mineta have accepted the invitations to be Honorary Chairs for the Harada House Foundation.

Visibility for the Harada House was discussed. Visible signage and banners were suggested.

HARADA HOUSE PROJECT COMMITTEE

Discussion occurred regarding the type of committee the HHPC should be in order to have flexibility and open discussions. Councilman Gardner will discuss this matter with Director Peterson.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Update on Robinson House
- 2. Update on RFQ for Harada House architects.
- 3. Harada House signage: Beyond bronze ground plagues

The next HHPC meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 2, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Museum Conference room.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:53 a.m.

Prepared by:

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Reviewed by:

Robyn G. Peterson, Ph.D., Museum Director