



City of Arts & Innovation

CULTURAL HERITAGE BOARD MINUTES

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2020, 3:30 P.M.
VIRTUAL MEETING
PUBLIC COMMENT VIA TELEPHONE
3900 MAIN STREET

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: J. Brown, M. Carter, J. Cuevas, N. Ferguson, J. Gamble, S. Lech, N. Parrish, C. Tobin
ABSENT: None

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

Vice-Chair Parrish called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Alan Curl, 2750 Mission Inn Avenue, spoke regarding the administrative approval of artificial turf at 2470 Mission Inn Avenue. He stated that the use of artificial turf is in appropriate at this site.

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 October 21, 2020, were approved as presented.

CULTURAL HERITAGE BOARD ATTENDANCE – The Cultural Heritage Board excused the absence of Board Member Brown due to illness from the October 21, 2020 meeting.

A Motion was made by Board Member Cuevas and Seconded by Board Member Lech to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

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

AYES: Carter, Cuevas, Ferguson, Gamble, Lech, Parrish, Tobin

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTION: Brown



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WORKSHOP

WORKSHOP by the Riverside County Transportation Commission on Riverside Downtown Station Improvements and the related Section 106 process.

David Lewis, Capital Projects Manager, RCTC, updated the Board on the timeline and process for the cultural resources studies, and environmental review process. He stated how the public can provide comments or ask questions regarding the proposed project.

Email to: stationproject@rctc.org or mail comments to: David Lewis, Capital Projects Manager, Riverside County Transportation Commission, P.O. Box 12008, Riverside, CA 92502-2208

For more information, please visit: rctc.org/stationimprovements

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Board Member Brown stated he was recusing from this item as he owns property in the area.

PLANNING CASE P20-0119 - HISTORIC DESIGNATION – 4428 HOUGHTON AVENUE, WARD 1

Proposal by Marilyn Odello and Chani Beeman to consider a Historic Designation request for designation of the David S. Bell House as a City Landmark. Scott Watson, Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report. Chani Beeman, stated they were in agreement with the recommended conditions of approval. There were no public comments for this item and the public hearing was closed. Following discussion it was moved by Commissioner Lech and seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to recommend that the City Council: 1) Determine that Planning Case P20-0119 (Historic Designation) for the designation of the David S. Bell House 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 P20-0119 (Historic Designation), based on the findings outlined in the staff report and subject to the recommended conditions. Vice-Chair Parrish advised of the appeal period.

City Council public hearing required for final approval.

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

AYES: Carter, Cuevas, Ferguson, Gamble, Lech, Parrish, Tobin

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTION: None



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Board Member Brown returned to the meeting.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

PLANNING CASE P18-0949 - CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS - FOR THE PARTIAL DEMOTION, REHABILITATION, AND ADAPTIVE REUSE OF THE FARMHOUSE MOTEL, CITY LANDMARK #140 – 1393 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, WARD 2

Proposal by Beverly Bailey, of Bailey California Properties, LLC for the partial demolition, rehabilitation, and adaptive reuse of the Farmhouse Motel, City Landmark #140. Scott Watson, Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report. Beverly Bailey stated that they were in agreement with the recommended conditions of approval. There were no public comments on this item. Following discussion it was moved by Board Member Cuevas and Seconded by Board Member Brown to: 1) Determine that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities) and 15331 (Historic Resource Restoration/Rehabilitation), as it constitutes rehabilitation of a historic resource that is consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties; and 2) Approved Planning Case P18-0949, based on the findings outlined in the staff report and subject to the recommended conditions. Vice Chair Parrish advised of the appeal period.

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

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

AYES: Brown, Carter, Cuevas, Ferguson, Gamble, Lech, Parrish, Tobin

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTION: None



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PLANNING CASE P20-0143 - CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS – SECOND STORY ADDITION TO EXISTING ACCESSORY STRUCTURE – 4496 FIFTH STREET, WARD 1

Proposal by Arthur Strickler of AWS Design/Zane Architecture, on behalf of Marc & Carla Bender, for a 494 square foot second-story addition, with a 177 square foot deck, to an existing accessory building. Scott Watson, Historic Preservation Officer, presented the staff report. Arthur Strickler stated that they were in agreement with the recommended conditions of approval. There were no public comments on this item. Following discussion it was moved by Board Member Carter and Seconded by Board Member Lech to: 1) Determine that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities) and 15331 (Historic Resource Restoration/Rehabilitation), as it constitutes rehabilitation of a historic resource that is consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties; and 2) Approved Planning Case P20-0143 (Certificate of Appropriateness), based on the findings outlined in the staff report and subject to the recommended conditions. Vice Chair Parrish advised of the appeal period.

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

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

AYES: Brown, Carter, Cuevas, Ferguson, Gamble, Lech, Parrish, Tobin

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTION: None

COMMUNICATIONS

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

Board Member Brown asked staff to agendize the issue regarding the artificial turf Mr. Curl brought up during the public comment period.

Board Member Tobin inquired if the Cultural Heritage Board will hear the RCTC Project again at a future date.

Ms. Kopaskie-Brown stated that the RCTC project will come before the Board again. She also indicated that there are a few upcoming items for the Board's consideration. It is unknown if they will be ready for the January or February meeting. Staff is working with the GIS team to provide the Board with an update on the historic property database. She stated that staff will add the artificial turf issue to the next available meeting as well.



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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:58 p.m. to the meeting of January 20, 2021 at 3:30 p.m.

The minutes were approved as presented at the January 20, 2021 meeting.