

CITY OF SAN GABRIEL
MINUTES OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCE
COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2019

- **CALL TO ORDER**

The Historic Preservation and Cultural Resource Commission meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on October 23, 2019, in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 425 South Mission Drive, San Gabriel, California, 91776.

- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Mojarro.

- **ROLL CALL**

Present: Chair Lubisich, Vice-Chair Juarez, Commissioner Mojarro, and Commissioner Weeks

Absent: Commissioner Acosta

Staff in attendance included Community Services Director Perez, Planning Manager Steinkruger, City Architect Brown, Senior Planner Chang, Assistant Planner Garibay, and Assistant Planner Alvarado.

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes from the October 9, 2019 HPC meeting.

Chair Lubisich moved this item to the next Historic Preservation and Cultural Resource Commission meeting.

3. **INITIAL REVIEW FOR HISTORIC APPROPRIATENESS (INVENTORY)**

419 SOUTH MISSION DRIVE

APPLICANT: MICHAEL LIU

Assistant Planner Alvarado presented the project.

Commissioner Mojarro would like to see the project keep the consistent appearance with other storefronts.

Chair Lubisich had questions regarding any previous alterations at this address and would like to know the original storefront design.

City Architect Brown responded that we will have a better understanding of the original design once the interior finishes are removed to show the exposed framing and window.

Commissioner Weeks had questions whether staff has any old pictures, tenant improvement permits or plans.

Assistant Planner Alvarado responded that the previous permits do not mention any exterior changes.

Chair Lubisich asked about permit history for other adjacent addresses.

Assistant Planner Alvarado responded that the only permit history related to the exterior portion is the roofing permit.

Chair Lubisich would like to find out the original appearance before making any decision.

Planning Manager Steinkruger stated that the Commission has two options. The first option is to approve with a condition to carefully remove interior finishes showing exposed framing and window/door frames. If the removal reveals conditions other than anticipated by the proposed storefront work, the project may need to come back to the Commission for review. The second option is to provide a punchlist of required information to the applicant to bring back to the Commission for review.

Chair Lubisich asked for Commission comments and feedback.

Vice-Chair Juarez supported the approval with a condition option.

Commissioner Weeks agreed with this approach.

City Architect Brown suggested two additional conditions.

Condition No. 1: To provide any available historic photographs prior to the building plan check submittal and within 60 days.

Condition No. 2: Carefully remove interior finished to expose framing and window/door frames. This approach would evaluate the exposed areas in an effort to determine the original storefront design. If the removal reveals conditions other than anticipated by the proposed storefront work, the project would need to resubmit to the Commission for review.

Commissioner Weeks motioned to adopt the resolution to approve the project with two additional conditions of approval.

Commissioner Mojarro seconded the motion.

Motion passed with 4 – ayes and 0 – noes (Commissioner Acosta absent).

**4. INITIAL REVIEW FOR HISTORIC APPROPRIATENESS (REGISTER)
SAN GABRIEL MISSION PLAYHOUSE – 320 SOUTH MISSION DRIVE
APPLICANT: CITY OF SAN GABRIEL**

Planning Manager Steinkruger presented the project and explained the application process. She introduced Community Services Director Perez and City Architect Brown.

Commissioner Weeks mentioned that he walked around the Playhouse this past weekend. He stated that it is difficult to determine the original colors based on old photographs. The proposed color is an improvement.

Commissioner Mojarro had a question whether the lettering “San Gabriel” complies with the Secretary Standards.

City Architect Brown responded that the color would need to use the original color.

Community Services Director Perez mentioned that this project was proposed before the National Register designation. The project designer would present a different design if he knew the project site is on the Register.

Chair Lubisich agreed with Director Perez that the project designer has the experience to modify the project. She would like to go with Option 1, which directs the applicant to undertake a paint analysis study.

Vice-Chair Juarez would like to see the paint sample in person rather than relying on old photographs.

City Architect Brown suggested using different paints on the Playhouse building as samples.

Planning Manager Steinkruger mentioned that the staff would contact the Commissioners to see the paint samples prior to the hearing for this project which is tentatively scheduled for November or December.

5. CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT UPDATE

Planning Manager Steinkruger asked the Commissioners to provide resumes and background information. The Certified Local Government (CLG) application is on the December 3, 2019 City Council Agenda.

6. MEETING SCHEDULE

Planning Manager Steinkruger stated that the next meeting could be in November or December depending on the Playhouse update.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Planning Manager Steinkruger mentioned historic context statement and landmark status of Mission could be on the future agenda.

Chair Lubisich mentioned the Hayes House.

8. COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING MANAGER

Planning Manager Steinkruger introduced City Architect Brown and his consulting firm.

9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND CONFERENCE/MEETING REPORTS

Chair Lubisich mentioned the Mission District Feasibility Study was presented to the City Council. She mentioned her concerns regarding the Arroyo Village project due to its scale and massing. The remodel project at the Mission is worth paying attention.

Vice-Chair Juarez would like to see more cultural history discussion. He mentioned the Commission's inputs on projects. He would like to see the Commission to pick and choose the issues to tackle.

10. ADJOURN HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCE COMMISSION MEETING

TO THE NEXT MEETING OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCE COMMINISION ON DECEMBER 11, 2019 AT 6:30PM AT CITY HALL, 425 SOUTH MISSION DRIVE, 2ND FLOOR, COUNCIL CHAMBERS.



MATT CHANG, ACTING SECRETARY
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SENYA LUBISICH, CHAIR
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