



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
Room 280-A

**ARCHITECTURAL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS**

August 17, 2016
1:30 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: August 17, 2016 / 1:30 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Persovski, Hirschfeld, Gardner Apatow, Vice Chair Kaye, Chair Peteris

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Mark Odell, Cindy Gordon, Georgana Millican, Karen Myron

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

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Speakers: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Absent objection from the Commission, the Agenda was approved as presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of Minutes

Consideration of minutes of the Architectural Commission regular meeting of July 20, 2016.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Gardner Apatow, SECONDED by Commissioner Hirschfeld to approve the Consent Calendar as presented (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Persovski, Hirschfeld, Gardner Apatow, Vice Chair Kaye, Chair Peteris

NOES: None

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

None.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

No items

NEW BUSINESS

2. CEDARS SINAI MEDICAL GROUP (PL1615085)

9090 Wilshire Boulevard

Request for approval of a sign accommodation to allow multiple building identification signs and a sign accommodation to allow a parking entrance identification sign to exceed twenty square feet in area. The Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Project Agent: Arno Ford Furstenberg – SignGroup / Karman
Public Input: None

Motion: MOVED by Chair Peteris, SECONDED by Commissioner Persovski to adopt the resolution as amended (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Persovski, Hirschfeld, Gardner Apatow, Vice Chair Kaye, Chair Peteris

NOES: None

CARRIED

3. CHRISTIE'S (PL1613740)

332-336 North Camden Drive

Request for approval of a façade remodel, a business identification sign, and sign accommodations to allow business identification signage to face private property and/or an alley. The Planning Commission will consider a Categorical Exemption on August 25, 2016; no further environmental review is required at this time.

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Applicant: Tim Yule – Christie's
Public Input: None

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Gardner Apatow, SECONDED by Commissioner Hirschfeld to adopt the resolution as amended (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Persovski, Hirschfeld, Gardner Apatow, Vice Chair Kaye, Chair Peteris

NOES: None

CARRIED

The Commission took a recess at 2:57 pm.

The Commission reconvened at 3:07 pm.

4. 407 NORTH MAPLE DRIVE (PL 1614617)

Request for approval of façade modifications and landscaping. The Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Applicant: Patrick Rippe – Tishman Speyer
Public Input: None

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Hirschfeld, SECONDED by Commissioner Gardner Apatow to adopt the resolution as amended (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Persovski, Hirschfeld, Gardner Apatow, Vice Chair Kaye, Chair Peteris

NOES: None

CARRIED

Citing involvement as the previous architect on this project, Chair Peteris recused from item #5, leaving the room at 4:03 pm. Vice Chair Kaye assumed the role of Chair.

5. 8654 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD (PL1615111)

Request for approval of a façade remodel and a building identification sign. The Director of Community Development previously adopted a Categorical Exemption for the project on October 28, 2015 pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act; no further environmental review is required at this time.

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Applicant: Karen Otis – Otis Architecture Inc.
Public Input: None

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Gardner Apatow, SECONDED by Acting Chair Kaye to adopt the resolution as amended (4-0-1).

AYES: Commissioners Persovski, Hirschfeld, Gardner Apatow, Acting Chair Kaye

NOES: None

RECUSED: Chair Peteris

CARRIED

Chair Peteris returned to the meeting and resumed the role of Chair at 4:35 pm.

STUDY SESSION

No items

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Commissioner Hirschfeld advised that she would be hosting an informative event at her house on October 17, 2016 regarding the Beverly Hilton project, and invited fellow Commissioners to attend.

6. Mayor's Cabinet Meeting

- Received and filed

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

- **Overview of the Design and the Arts Program for the Wilshire / La Cienega Station of the Purple Line Extension.**

Susan Gray and Adam Light, Metropolitan County Transportation Authority, will attend to provide an overview of the Station and Arts Program for the Wilshire / La Cienega Station of the Purple Line Extension Project.

- Project Manager Robert Welch advised the Commission of upcoming outreach meetings regarding the Purple Line Extension, and introduced Adam Light and Susan Gray, who provided informative presentations on Metro's system-wide station design as it applies to the Purple Line Extension Project and the station at Wilshire / La Cienega, and the artwork opportunities as they apply to the Wilshire / La Cienega station, respectively.

Commissioner Gardner Apatow left the meeting at 5:03 pm.

- **Urban Designer Updates**

- Urban Designer Mark Odell advised the Commission of upcoming projects for the Design Review Commission

7. Staff-level Approvals

- Received and filed

8. 2016 Meeting Schedule

- Received and filed

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time:

August 17, 2016 / 5:07 PM



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
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Room 280-A

FINE ART COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS
Thursday, August 18, 2016
4:00pm

OPEN MEETING

Date/Time: August 18, 2016 / 4:00pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Vahn, Rubins, Vice Chair Hiller, Chair Kaye
Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Smooke
Staff Present: Brad Meyerowitz, Patty Acuña, Gisele Grable, Aida Thau, Nancy Hunt-Coffey

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

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None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

With the concurrence of the Commission, the Chair may choose to amend the order of the items on the agenda.

By order of the Chair, the agenda was approved with the amended changes. Item 6 was taken out of order and moved to be second item discussed in this meeting. Item 2 was taken out of order and moved to be third item discussed in this meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of Minutes of the regular meeting of July 21, 2016.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Rubins, SECONDED by Commissioner Hiller to approve the amended minutes (4-0).

AYES: Commissioners Vahn, Rubins, Hiller, Vice Chair Kaye,
NOES: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Smooke
CARRIED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

None

CONTINUED BUSINESS

2. Overview of the Arts Program for the Wilshire/La Cienega Station of the Purple Line Extension

Susan Gray, Creative Services Manager for the Metropolitan County Transportation Authority provided an overview of the Arts Program for the Wilshire/La Cienega Station of Purple Line Extension Project.

Ms. Gray also reviewed the selection process for City representation on the Metro Art Committee.

The Commission asked Staff to promote this opportunity with former Fine Art Commissioners. The Commission will select a primary representative and an alternate to serve on this Committee in the September meeting.

3. Burton Way Green Streets Project Update

Josette Descalzo, Environmental Compliance and Sustainability Programs Manager, provided an update on the Burton Way Median Green Streets project.

4. Tom Friedman Liaison Meeting Update

The acquisition of the commissioned sculpture *Take Away* by Tom Friedman was brought before the City Council Liaison on August 11th. The approved location for this sculpture installation was the general focus of discussion.

Councilmembers and Commissioners expressed general support of the proposed sculpture and location for installation, pending further review and approval by City Council.

5. Web Page Submission/Priority Exercise

Staff updated the Commission in regards to the changes that have been implemented in the Web Page Submission Form.

The Commission set November 1, 2016 as the deadline for all submissions for this year's Priority Exercise. The Commission will hold the Priority Exercise and selection during the December meeting.

The Commission also asked Staff to promote this opportunity with former Team BH and former Fine Art Commissioners.

NEW BUSINESS /PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. Stephanie Barron Presentation

Stephanie Barron, Senior Curator, Department of Modern Art at LACMA, addressed the Commission on the City's current Fine Art collection, ideas for future acquisitions and the role of Public Art collections.

The Commission was very appreciative of Ms. Barron's feedback and advice.

7. Proposed Donation from Karl Lagasse

The Commission revised the information for the proposed art donation by Karl Lagasse. This item was tabled to the September meeting to allow more time to research this artist's work before the Commission makes a final decision.

PROJECT UPDATES, STATUS REPORTS, STAFF REPORTS

8. Director's Report

- Information only items

A. Fine Art Fund report

Fine Art Fund reports were included in the packet. The Commission asked Staff to look into the Louis Vuitton obligation.

B. Developer Owned Art

Staff reported that the second mailing of covenant letters was mailed at the beginning of August.

C. Kusama fencing

Staff reported that the fence's top bar and cables have been installed. The fence is only missing the epoxy that will be poured over the bolts on the footings. Inspection will be scheduled sometime next week.

D. Update on William Kentridge *World on Hind Legs*

Staff reported that the first installment of the payment was wired. The piece will be shipped soon.

E. Proposed Loan on Hilgemann Sculpture

Staff informed the Commission that the owner of this sculpture will walk through the proposed locations for installation of this prospective loan.

F. Art Signage

Staff showed to the Commission samples of Art Signage to deter people from climbing on the sculptures. The Commission asked for a copy of the signage that is displayed by the Beverly Hills sign and to perhaps mimic the same style. The Commission also asked for samples of Instagram signage to be display next to the art sculptures.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

9. Chair's Report

A. Mayor's Cabinet Meeting

The Mayor's Cabinet notes were included in the packet.

The Chair reported in regards to the Pet Alert program. He also reported that Human Relations is accepting nominations for the Embrace Civility 2016 Awards.

B. Ad Hoc Committees

The Commission discussed the need to agendize the newly established Fine Art Program Development as an item in the next meeting to explore and discuss possibilities.

- Recreation and Parks Commission Liaisons (Kaye, Rubins)
- Web Submission for Priority Exercise (Hiller, Rubins)
- Fine Art Program Development (Hiller, Smooke)
- BHUSD Arts Liaison (Rubins, Vahn)
- Burton Way Median (Rubins, Hiller)
- Donated and Loaned Art (Smooke, Vahn)

- C. Other items brief announcements, request for information, and brief reports on activities.
None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

- Upcoming events
None
- Commission calendar / scheduling
None
- Information only items
None
- Other Items
None

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: August 18, 2016 / 5:47 pm



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

455 N. Rexford Drive
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City Council Chamber

**PLANNING COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING SYNOPSIS**

August 23, 2016
7:00 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: August 23, 2016 / 7:04 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Licht, Block, Fisher, Vice Chair Gordon, Chair Shooshani

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Ryan Gohlich, Susan Healy Keene, Masa Alkire, Andre Sahakian, Karen Myron, David Snow

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

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Speakers: Phil Savenick

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By Order of the Chair, the agenda was approved as presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR

No items

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

None

CONTINUED BUSINESS

No items

**PLANNING COMMISSION / BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS / PLANNING AGENCY
PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. 9900 Wilshire Boulevard (One Beverly Hills)

Zone Text Amendment, Vesting Tentative Tract Map and Development Plan Review, Development Agreement, and Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report

Request for amendments to the 9900 Wilshire Specific Plan and associated Vesting Tentative Tract Map, Development Plan Review, and Development Agreement to convert a portion of the previously approved project from condominiums and retail space into a luxury hotel with ancillary uses. The proposed project also includes rooftop amenities, open air dining areas, and a new motor court access from North Santa Monica Boulevard. Pursuant to the provisions set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Planning Commission will also consider a Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (Final SEIR).

Ex parte Communications: Chair Shooshani disclosed having separate discussions regarding the project with a representative of the Wanda Group, and with a representative from the Peninsula Hotel.

Planner: Andre Sahakian, Associate Planner
Applicant: Wanda Beverly Hills Properties, LLC
Public Input: Ted Kahan, Andy Cohen, George Mihilsten, Blair Schlecter (Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce), Pat Gibson, Robert Tanenbaum, Benjamin Hanelin, Dr. Matthew Finerman, Rachel Torres (UNITE HERE Local 11), Rebecca Pynoos, Barbara Pergament, Karén Setian, Billy Rose, John Peterson (Belvedere Hotel Partnership), Michelle Wasserman, Marcy Barbanell Landres (Comstock Hills Homeowners Association), Jon Gluck, Hamid Omrani, Herbert McGurk

The Commission took a recess at 8:55 pm.

The Commission reconvened at 9:10 pm.

After initially moving to continue the item to a date uncertain, which would require that new notice be issued, the Commission chose to continue the item to a special meeting at 7:00 pm on Monday, September 19, 2016. The public hearing on the item remained open.

STUDY SESSION

No items

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

None

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August 23, 2016

ADJOURNMENT

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