



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, California 90210

**ARCHITECTURAL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 21, 2014
1:30 PM**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: May 21, 2014 / 1:32 PM

Director of Community Development Susan Healy Keene and Urban Designer William Crouch introduced Raj Patel, new Assistant Director of Community Development / City Building Official, to the Commission.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Kaye, Peteris, Gardner Apatow, Vice Chair Bernstein, Chair Blakeley.

Commissioners Absent: None.

Staff Present: William Crouch, Cindy Gordon, Karen Myron.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Speakers: None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Peteris, Second by Vice Chair Bernstein to approve the agenda as presented (5-0).

Action: The agenda was approved as presented.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes from the Architectural Commission Meeting on April 16, 2014.

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Bernstein, Second by Commissioner Peteris to approve the minutes as presented (5-0).

Action: The minutes were approved as presented.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

2. 132 SOUTH BEVERLY DRIVE (PL1310235)

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

(This project will be continued to the June 18, 2014 Architectural Commission meeting)

3. EVE BY EVE'S

350 North Camden Drive

Request for approval of a façade remodel, business identification signage, and a sign accommodation to allow awning signage to exceed seven inches in height. The Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

(This project will be continued to the June 18, 2014 Architectural Commission meeting)

NEW BUSINESS – PUBLIC HEARINGS

4. ENGEL & VOLKERS (PL1406648)

340 North Camden Drive

Request for approval of a façade modification and a sign accommodation for multiple business identification signs. The Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Project Agent: Raphael Barragan – Engel & Volkers
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Gardner Apatow, Second by Commissioner Kaye to approve the resolutions with conditions (5-0).

Action: The resolution was approved with conditions.

5. 151 EL CAMINO DRIVE (PL1406830)

Request for approval of new rooftop elements. The Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Project Agent: Andrew Mangan – Wolcott Architecture Interiors
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Bernstein, Second by Commissioner Kaye to approve the resolution with conditions (5-0).
Action: The resolution was approved with conditions.

6. 9533 BRIGHTON WAY (PL1406936)

Request for approval of a façade modification, a sign program for an existing commercial building, a sign accommodation for multiple business identification signs, and a sign accommodation to allow business identification signage to be located on a wall abutting an alley or private property. The Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Project Agent: Robbie Luongo – Luongo Design
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Gardner Apatow, Second by Vice Chair Bernstein to approve the resolution with conditions (5-0).
Action: The resolution was approved with conditions.

7. 8822 OLYMPIC BOULEVARD (PL1406941)

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

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Project Agent: Michael Nourmand and Omid Khorshidi
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Gardner Apatow, Second by Vice Chair Bernstein to approve the resolution with conditions (5-0).
Action: The resolution was approved with conditions.

8. SAINT LAURENT (PL1406968)
326 North Rodeo Drive

Request for revision to a previously approved façade remodel, and business identification signage and a sign accommodation to allow a business identification sign to be located on a wall abutting an alley or private property. The Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Project Agent: Roy Hasson – Permit Advisors
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Bernstein, Second by Commissioner Gardner Apatow to approve the resolution with conditions (5-0).

Action: The resolution was approved with conditions.

9. DIPTYQUE (PL1406977)

312 North Beverly Drive

Request for approval of a façade remodel, a business identification sign, and a construction barricade. The Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Project Agent: John Ranous – Nationwide Permit Consultants
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Peteris, Second by Vice Chair Bernstein to approve the resolution as presented (5-0).

Action: The resolution was approved as presented.

10. STEINWAY PIANO GALLERY (PL1406988)

8801 Wilshire Boulevard

Request for approval of a revision to a sign program and a sign accommodation for multiple business identification signs. The Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Project Agent: Mark Allen – American Signs
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Bernstein, Second by Commissioner Gardner Apatow to approve the resolution with conditions (5-0).

Action: The resolution was approved with conditions.

11.9665 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD (PL1407018)

Request for approval of ground signage and a sign accommodation to allow a ground sign on a non-primary boulevard. The commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Project Agent: Mark Allen – American Signs
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by commissioner Gardner Apatow, Second by Commissioner Kaye to approve the resolution as presented (5-0).

Action: The resolution was approved as presented.

12. BARNEY'S NEW YORK (PL1407052)

9570 Wilshire Boulevard

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

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Project Agent: Ashok Vanmali – Gruen Associates
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Kaye, Second by Vice Chair Bernstein to approve the resolution as presented (5-0).

Action: The resolution was approved as presented.

13. VENDOME WINE & SPIRITS (PL1407073)

270 South Robertson Boulevard

Request for approval of a sign accommodation for multiple business identification signs. The Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Project Agent: Keith Chan
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Bernstein, Second by Commissioner Kaye to approve the resolution with conditions (5-0).

Action: The resolution was approved with conditions.

14. 9265 BURTON WAY (PL1407094)

Request for approval of a new five-story multi-family residential building. The Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Project Agent: Ed Levin – Levin-Morris Architects
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Bernstein, Second by Commissioner Peteris to approve the resolution with conditions (5-0).

Action: The resolution was approved with conditions.

15. 9725 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD (PL1407104)

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

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Project Agent: Yassi Gabbay – Gabbay Architects
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Gardner Apatow, Second by Vice Chair Bernstein to return the project for restudy (5-0).

Action: The project was returned for restudy.

Commissioner Kaye left the meeting at 7:46 pm.

16. 346 NORTH RODEO DRIVE (PL1407086)

Request for approval of a façade remodel and addition to an existing commercial building and a sign accommodation to allow business identification signage to be located on a wall abutting an alley or private property. The Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Associate Planner
Project Agent: Joseph Dasilva and Jason Somers
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Bernstein, Second by Commissioner Gardner Apatow to approve the resolution with conditions (4-0-1, Kaye absent).

Action: The resolution was approved with conditions.

DISCUSSION

Request by Chair Blakeley to discuss matters related to signage and code enforcement.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

Chair Blakeley gave a brief report from the Mayor's Cabinet meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE URBAN DESIGNER

- Staff-level Approvals (**Tab 17**)
- Code Compliance Log

MEETING ADJOURNED

Date / Time: May 21, 2014 /8:15 PM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 18th DAY OF JUNE, 2014

James Blakeley, III, Chair