

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission

November 6, 2018 5:00 p.m.

City Manager's Conference Room, 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, CA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Wilcox called a regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission to order at 5:02 p.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room at 8130 Allison Avenue, La Mesa, California.

2. ROLL CALL / ATTENDANCE

Members Attending: Commissioners Niemeier, Pauli, Sherman, Swanson, Tolin, Wilcox, and Ullah.

Staff Attending: Senior Planner Kinnard.

Absent: Ex-Officio Newland.

Visitors: Karen and Cormac Kill representing Item 6a (HPC 18-04), and Gregory Thayer, member of the public.

3. DELETIONS FROM AGENDA /URGENT ADDITIONS None.

4. COMMUNICATIONS None.

5. PUBLIC DISCUSSION AND AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION None.

6. HEARINGS

- a. **HPC 18-04 (Kill)** – Reconsideration of a request to designate the property located at 9397 Lemon Avenue in the R1S-P (Suburban Residential/Scenic Preservation Overlay) zone as a historic landmark and to establish a property preservation (Mills Act) agreement for the site.

This is a public hearing continued from October 2, 2018. Senior Planner Kinnard reported that the owner had submitted an addendum to the landmark nomination report consisting of fifteen pages of interior photographs of the residence, for incorporation into the report. The additional information was provided at the request of the HPC to demonstrate historic integrity.

The public hearing was opened. Commissioners Sherman and Ullah noted that the addition is offset and delineated from the original portion of the house and that the alterations are located primarily towards the rear.

Commissioners Wilcox and Pauli discussed whether the interiors should be included in the Mills Act agreement. Staff said that the Historic Preservation Ordinance precludes interior alterations from being reviewed by the HPC. Commissioner Pauli acknowledged the limitations of project-level review, but noted that incorporating the photos into the nomination materials allows for eligibility to be reconsidered in the future, should significant interior alterations occur. Members discussed whether interior alterations, if extensive, could result in integrity falling below a level needed to retain eligibility.

The public hearing was closed.

ACTION: Commissioner Sherman made a motion to incorporate the supplemental interior photographs into the historic landmark nomination report.

Commissioner Wilcox seconded the motion.

Aye: Commissioners Pauli, Sherman, Swanson, Tolin, Ullah, and Wilcox.
Nay: None.
Abstain: Niemeier.
Absent: None.

ACTION: Commissioner Tolin made a motion to 1) adopt Resolution HPC 18-03, recommending that the City Council designate the Christopher and Marie Hinck House at 9397 Lemon Avenue as a historic landmark, based on designation criteria A, C, E, and F; and 2) adopt Resolution HPC 18-04, recommending that the City Council execute a property preservation (Mills Act) agreement with the property owner.

Commissioner Sherman seconded the motion.

Aye: Commissioners Pauli, Sherman, Swanson, Tolin, Ullah, and Wilcox.
Nay: None.
Recuse: Niemeier.
Absent: None.

7. BUSINESS

a. Election of Chair.

ACTION: Commissioner Niemeier made a motion to appoint Commissioner Wilcox as Chair and Commissioner Tolin as Vice Chair.

Commissioner Ullah seconded the motion.

Aye: Commissioners Niemeier, Pauli, Sherman, Swanson, Tolin, Ullah, and Wilcox.
Nay: None.
Recuse: None.
Absent: None.

b. Historic Resources Inventory Update Discussion.

Commissioner Ullah is prepared to start an internship program (for course credit) for the Inventory update, to begin at the start of the spring semester.

was Senior Planner Kinnard distributed a recently prepared handout on the Mills Act. It suggested that a similar flyer be prepared for the Historic Inventory.

Commissioners requested to have a meeting in December to continue the Historic Resources Inventory update discussion.

No action was taken.

c. Approval of the minutes from the October 2, 2018 meeting.

ACTION: Commissioner Niemeier made a motion to approve the minutes of October 2, 2018.

Commissioner Swanson seconded the motion.

Aye: Commissioners Niemeier, Pauli, Swanson, Tolin, and Wilcox.
Nay: None.
Absent: None.
Abstain: Commissioners Sherman and Ullah.

INFORMATION ITEMS

The LMHS Home Tour held on Saturday November 3, 2018 was a success.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.



Respectfully submitted,
Allyson Kinnard, Senior Planner