

**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
CULTURAL HERITAGE  
COMMISSION MINUTES**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2019  
ENERGY RESOURCES AUDITORIUM  
2400 E. SPRING STREET  
LONG BEACH, CA 90806, 5:00 PM**

Alan Burks, Chair  
Julianna Roosevelt, Vice Chair  
Tasha Hunter, Commissioner



Kathleen Irvine, Commissioner  
Kevin McGuan, Commissioner  
Dr. Lourdes Ramos, Commissioner  
Craig Smith, Commissioner

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**FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Burks called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Also present: Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager; Alejandro Plascencia, Planner; Sergio Gutierrez, Planner; Gina Casillas, Planner; Pluchette Slusher, Clerk.

**Commissioners** Tasha Hunter, Kathleen Irvine, Kevin McGuan, Lourdes Ramos,  
**Present:** Craig Smith, Julianna Roosevelt and Alan Burks

**FLAG SALUTE**

Vice Chair Roosevelt lead the flag salute.

**MINUTES**

19-030CH Recommendation to receive and file the Cultural Heritage Commission minutes of July, 8 2019.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hunter, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Tasha Hunter, Kathleen Irvine, Kevin McGuan, Craig Smith, Julianna Roosevelt and Alan Burks

**Absent:** 1 - Lourdes Ramos

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

A motion was made by Chair Burks, seconded by Commissioner Hunter, to nominate Vice Chair Roosevelt as Chair of the Cultural Heritage Commission for 2019-2020;

YES: 5 - Tasha Hunter, Kathleen Irvine, Kevin McGuan, Craig Smith, and Alan Burks

Absent: 1 - Lourdes Ramos

A motion was made by Commissioner Hunter, seconded by Vice Chair Roosevelt, to nominate Commissioner Irvine as Vice Chair of the Cultural Heritage Commission for 2019-2020. These motions carried by the following votes:

YES: 5 - Tasha Hunter, Julianna Roosevelt, Kevin McGuan, Craig Smith, and Alan Burks

Absent: 1 - Lourdes Ramos

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, provided the Director's Report.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

## **SWEARING OF WITNESSES:**

Chair Burks spoke.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

1. 19-031CH Recommendation to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness request to construct a one-story 497 square-foot addition to the rear of an existing one-story 1,025 square-foot single-family dwelling. The property is located at 3605 Walnut Avenue and is a contributing structure in the California Heights Historic District. (District 7)

Chair Burks spoke.

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, introduced Sergio Gutierrez, Planner.

Sergio Gutierrez, Planner, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Vice Chair Roosevelt spoke.

Jonathan Glasgow, Architect, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Vice Chair Roosevelt spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hunter, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Tasha Hunter, Kathleen Irvine, Kevin McGuan, Craig Smith, Julianna Roosevelt and Alan Burks

**Absent:** 1 - Lourdes Ramos

2. 19-032CH Recommendation to deny the appeal and uphold staff denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness to install a new vinyl fence along the rear property line of a single-family residential lot located at 1215 E. Hellman Street. The subject lot contains a single-family residence which is a contributing structure in the Hellman Street Craftsman Historic District. (District 2)

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manger, introduced Gina Casillas, Planner.

Gina Casillas, Planner, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Jose Ulloa, applicant, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Karen Zieba, general public, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Dlorah Hunt, general public, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Karen Highburger, general public, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Gretchen Swanson, general public, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Vice Chair Roosevelt spoke.

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, spoke.

Vice Chair Roosevelt spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Jose Ulloa, applicant, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Vice Chair Roosevelt spoke.

Jose Ulloa, applicant, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Commissioner Irvine spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Irvine, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Tasha Hunter, Kathleen Irvine, Kevin McGuan, Julianna Roosevelt and Alan Burks

**No:** 2 - Lourdes Ramos and Craig Smith

3. 19-033CH Recommendation to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness request for the demolition of an existing detached two-car garage and the construction of a new 759 square-foot detached three car garage with a 449 square-foot studio unit above the garage. The property is located at 2609 E. 1st Street and is a contributing structure in the Bluff Park Historic District. (District 3)

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, introduced Sergio Gutierrez, Planner.

Sergio Gutierrez, Planner, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Sergio Gutierrez, Planner, spoke.

Steve Sennikoff, Architect, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

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Joe Zieba, applicant, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Steve Sennikoff, Architect, spoke.

Dlorah Hunt, general public, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Vice Chair Roosevelt spoke.

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, spoke.

Vice Chair Roosevelt spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Ramos, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Tasha Hunter, Kathleen Irvine, Kevin McGuan, Lourdes Ramos, Craig Smith, Julianna Roosevelt and Alan Burks

4. 19-034CH Recommendation to approve a modification to a previously approved Certificate of Appropriateness (Case No. HP17-459) to modify conditions of a project located at 240 Long Beach Boulevard. The building is a designated historic landmark known as the Acres of Books building. (District 2)

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, introduced Alejandro Plascencia, Planner.

Alejandro Plascencia, Planner, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

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Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

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Chair Burks spoke.

Nathan Pitters, Onni Group Developer, spoke.

Emily Rinaldi, Architectural Historian, spoke.

Dick Gee, Historic Architect, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Commissioner McGuan spoke.

Dick Gee, Historic Architect, spoke.

Nathan Pitters, Onni Group Developer, spoke.



David Cocke, Historic Engineer, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

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Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Nathan Pitters, Onni Group Developer, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Commissioner Irvine spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Ramos, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Tasha Hunter, Kathleen Irvine, Kevin McGuan, Lourdes Ramos, Craig Smith, Julianna Roosevelt and Alan Burks

**COMMENTS FROM THE CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION**

Chair Burks spoke.

Gary Gaffney, general public, spoke.

Christopher Koontz, Planning Bureau Manager, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Gretchen Swanson, general public, spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Maureen Neelyy, general public, spoke.

Commissioner Hunter spoke.

Vice Chair Roosevelt spoke.

Chair Burks spoke.

Commissioner McGuan spoke.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:45 p.m., Chair Burks adjourned the meeting.

**NEXT MEETING: SEPTEMBER 9, 2019  
SPECIAL MEETING LOCATION: BIXBY PARK SOCIAL HALL  
130 CHERRY AVENUE, LONG BEACH, CA 90802**

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## GUIDE FOR PERSONS INTENDING TO SPEAK

This guide has been prepared as an aid so that you will be able to express your opinions briefly and clearly before the Commission and thus increase the effectiveness of your presentation. Remarks are generally limited to 3 minutes.

1. State your name and address.
2. Organization you represent, if any.
3. State whether for or against the proposal.
4. Your statement should include all pertinent facts within your knowledge; avoid gossip, emotion and repetition. It is important to discuss only those matters relating to the hearing and to tie your discussion of the facts directly to the decision you wish the Commission to reach. A clear, concise and non-repetitive argument is impressive.

In order to have written material included in the Cultural Heritage Commissioner's mailed Agenda Packet, twelve (12) copies of the material must be delivered to the Department of Development Services, Planning Bureau, no later than ten (10) calendar days before the date of the Planning Commission Hearing. Written material that is presented to the Cultural Heritage Commission after this date and up to 1:00 p.m. the day of the Cultural Heritage Commission Hearing, will be included in the Commissioners' Agenda folder, but may not be reviewed by the individual Commissioners due to the amount of material that the Commissioners have to review for the Agenda. Material presented to the Commission at the Hearing will be part of the record but also may not be reviewed by individual Commissioners.