



October 25, 2021

SENT VIA EMAIL TO: CulturalHeritage@longbeach.gov

Cultural Heritage Commission
411 W. Ocean Blvd., 3rd Floor
Long Beach, CA 90802

**Re: Application No. COAC2104-02 dated 04/21/2021
Certificate of Appropriateness for
352 Carroll Park West, Long Beach, CA 90814
Hearing Date: October 26, 2021, at 5:00 PM**

Cultural Heritage Commission Members,

By this letter, the Board of the Carroll Park Association sets forth its opposition to the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the proposed reconfiguration of the existing single-story, 3-car garage at 352 Carroll Park West to a new 2-car garage/office with second-story accessory dwelling unit and deck.

Carroll Park was designated as a historic district in 1983. The Carroll Park Association was actively involved in that process and in efforts to have Carroll Park zoned R-1. The main purpose of the Association is to protect the historical significance of our neighborhood and the homes that lie within the boundaries of the historic district. The Association seeks to prevent any development that would compromise the historical significance of our unique neighborhood.

The proposed second-story addition at 352 Carroll Park West would have a detrimental effect on the adjacent properties, as its side windows and deck would intrude upon the privacy of the homes at 348 CPW, 365, CPE, and 367 CPE. In addition, it would have an overall detrimental effect on the entire neighborhood, much like the eyesore erected in 1979 at 356/358 Carroll Park West (just to the north of 352 Carroll Park West) before Carroll Park was designated a historic district.

While we have been told that owners Brian Berry and Shaina Popkin have taken steps to ensure that the design of the new construction conforms to the architectural design of their main house, allowing the construction of an additional residential unit in an already parking impacted

area, where homes are so closely situated because of the oval-shaped tract, would have a detrimental effect on the entire neighborhood and set a precedent for future developers and/or new or existing homeowners seeking to add units within our neighborhood.

While the Board of the Carroll Park Association has no problem with a reconfiguration of the existing garage if it is kept at one-story, it does object to the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for a two-story reconfiguration.

We ask that the Certificate of Appropriateness be denied and the Applicant/Owners be required to limit their reconfiguration to one-story.

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cc: Second District Council Member Cindy Allen