

1 ORDINANCE NO. ORD-09-0007

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3 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
4 CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING THE LONG BEACH  
5 MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING SECTION 16.52.2190  
6 RELATING TO THE NOMINATION OF THE PALACE HOTEL  
7 AT 2640-44 EAST ANAHEIM STREET AS AN HISTORIC  
8 LANDMARK; AND ADOPTING IN SECTIONS 2 AND 3  
9 HEREOF UNCODIFIED FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS  
10 RELATING TO SAID LANDMARK

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12 The City Council of the City of Long Beach ordains as follows:

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14 Section 1. Section 16.52.2190 is added to the Long Beach Municipal Code  
15 to read as follows:

16 16.52.2190 Palace Hotel.

17 A. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 2.63 and with the  
18 recommendation of the Planning Commission and the Cultural Heritage  
19 Commission, the City Council designates the following building as an  
20 historic landmark in the City: Palace Hotel, located at 2640-44 East  
21 Anaheim Street.

22 B. The complete location, description and reasons for  
23 historic landmark designation are more fully contained in uncodified Section  
24 2 of Ordinance No. ORD-09-0007.

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26 Section 2. (Uncodified) Designation as a Historic Landmark.

27 Pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.63 of the Long Beach Municipal  
28 Code and upon the recommendation of the Planning Commission and the Cultural

1 Heritage Commission, the City Council of the City of Long Beach hereby designates the  
2 Palace Hotel as an historic landmark based on satisfying significance criteria A, D, E, and  
3 H, as defined in the City's Cultural Heritage Commission Ordinance (Long Beach  
4 Municipal Code, Section 2.63.050).

5 A. Location, description and reasons for designation.

6 The Palace Hotel is located at 2640-44 East Anaheim Street, in the City of  
7 Long Beach, California, and is identified as Los Angeles County Assessor's Parcel  
8 Numbers (APN) 7260-028-900.

9 The Palace Hotel reflects key elements of, and possesses a significant  
10 character attributable to, the commercial development of the Anaheim Street corridor due  
11 to its use as a hotel with ground floor commercial spaces since the late 1920s in the City  
12 of Long Beach. Additionally, the subject property physically manifests the environment in  
13 the City's history characterized by the commercial vernacular style with elements of the  
14 Art Deco style ornamenting its primary (north and east) facades. In particular, it  
15 embodies those distinguishing characteristics of the two-part commercial block property  
16 type and vernacular style as applied to a hotel/commercial building in its form, materials,  
17 and architectural elements. Further, as part of the Anaheim Street corridor, which is a  
18 distinctive area of the City, the Palace Hotel is an excellent example of a commercial  
19 vernacular building erected in the late 1920s (with repairs made following the 1933 Long  
20 Beach earthquake), the high point of development along one of the City's key commercial  
21 thoroughfares. In addition, due to its 75 plus years as a relatively unaltered  
22 hotel/commercial building located on a prominent corner, the property maintains a high  
23 level of physical and historical integrity of design, materials, workmanship, setting,  
24 location, feeling, and association.

25 B. Rationale for historic landmark designation.

26 The City Council finds that relative to the designation of the Palace Hotel as  
27 an historic landmark the following criteria are manifested as set forth in Long Beach  
28 Municipal Code Section 2.63.050 based upon the following:

1 A. It possesses a significant character, interest or value attributable  
2 to the development, heritage or cultural characteristics of the city, the southern California  
3 region, the state or the nation.

4 D. It portrays the environment in an era of history characterized by a  
5 distinctive architectural style.

6 E. It embodies those distinguishing characteristics of an  
7 architectural type or engineering specimen.

8 H. It is part of or related to a distinctive area and should be  
9 developed or preserved according to specific historical, cultural or architectural motif.

10 C. General Guidelines and Standards for Any Changes.

11 Any maintenance, repair, stabilization, rehabilitation, restoration,  
12 preservation, conservation, or reconstruction work proposed for the building will be  
13 conducted in a manner consistent with the "Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the  
14 Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring,  
15 and Reconstructing Historic Buildings" (1995), by Weeks and Grimmer, as amended, as  
16 well as the "Procedures for Administering the Certificate of Appropriateness" ("the  
17 Standards") found in Section 2.63.070 of the Long Beach Municipal Code.

18 The Standards are incorporated herein by this reference and shall be used  
19 as the authoritative guidelines for reviewing and approving any proposed exterior work on  
20 the building.

21 The provisions of this ordinance shall regulate the building's exterior walls  
22 and other external features. There shall be no restrictions on the building's interior.

23 Original historic fabric on the exterior of the building shall be retained as  
24 much as possible. Any exterior work done on the building shall be executed in a manner  
25 that does not materially impair in an adverse manner those physical characteristics of the  
26 structure that account for its designation as a City landmark. Any such work must be  
27 done in keeping with the building's historic character, period, and architectural style.

28 No exterior changes to the building shall be allowed unless an approved

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1 Certificate of Appropriateness has been applied for by an applicant and is issued by the  
2 City authorizing such environmental change.

3 Section. 3. (Uncodified) The City Clerk shall cause this ordinance to be  
4 recorded in accordance with the provisions of Section 5029 of the California Public  
5 Resources Code and Section 27288.2 of the California Government Code.

6 Section 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance by  
7 the City Council and cause it to be posted in three (3) conspicuous places in the City of  
8 Long Beach, and it shall take effect on the thirty-first (31st) day after it is approved by the  
9 Mayor.

10 I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the City  
11 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of April 7, 2009, by the  
12 following vote:

13 Ayes: Councilmembers: S. Lowenthal, DeLong, Schipske,  
14 Andrews, Reyes Uranga, Gabelich,  
15 Lerch.

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17 Noes: Councilmembers: None.

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19 Absent: Councilmembers: O'Donnell.

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23 City Clerk

24 Approved: 4/12/09  
25 (Date)

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28 Mayor