

***Historic Preservation Commission  
Meeting Minutes of October 18, 2011***

Chairman Shidler called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Present: Commissioners Michelle Sanchez and Carolina Luna, Vice Chair Barry Milofsky, and Chairman Wally Shidler. Absent: None. Also present: Planning Manager Eric Garcia, Senior Planner Albert Fontanez, and Recording Secretary Genny Ochoa.

**Minutes of the meeting held on August 16, 2011**

Motion by Vice Chair Milofsky, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on August 16, 2011, as presented. The motion carried.

**Public Appearances**

None.

**Continued Public Hearings**

- A. Case No. 11-04 HRD: A resolution recommending to the City Council the designation of 5610 Soto Street (APN: 6310-015-024) as a Historic Resource for Placement on the Huntington Park Historic Register.

Planning Manager Garcia requested to incorporate into the record correspondence dated and received on October 14, 2011, from Mr. Arnold K. Graham, attorney representing Mr. and Mrs. Alan Hart, property owners. In his letter, Mr. Graham suggests that the Commission continue the public hearing to “the November hearing date” so that they can address the subject matter with City staff the City Attorney. Mr. Garcia added that on the advice of the City Attorney, staff recommended that the Commission continue the public hearing to the Commission meeting of December 20, 2011.

Chairman Shidler declared the public hearing open and called for those wishing to speak in favor of/or against Case No. 11-04 HRD. Mr. Arnold K. Graham (500 N. Brand Blvd., Ste. 1030, Glendale, CA 91203), attorney for the property owners, came forward and stated that they would like to meet with City staff and the City Attorney to discuss potential impacts the proposed historic designation may have on the subject property, and requested that the hearing be continued to December 20, 2011.

With no one else coming forward to speak in favor of or against Case No. 11-04 HRD, Vice Chair Milofsky motioned, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, to continue the public hearing to the regular Commission meeting of December 20, 2011. The motion carried.

- B. Case No. 11-06 HRD: A resolution recommending to the City Council the designation of 7019 Marbrisa Avenue (APN: 6321-030-010) as a Historic Resource for Placement on the Huntington Park Historic Register.

Planning Manager Garcia stated that at the Commission meeting of August 16, 2011, the property owner/applicant requested that the Commission continue the public hearing to give him time to do research on the history of the subject property.

Mr. Garcia reported that staff had received another request from the property owner for the Commission to continue tonight's public hearing so that he may continue his research. However, Mr. Garcia stated that staff recommended that the Commission deny the applicant's request to designate the subject property as a historic resource because the property does not meet the required criteria for designation due to significant alterations to the structures.

Chairman Shidler opened the public hearing and called for those wishing to speak in favor of/or against Case No. 11-06 HRD. Hearing no one, the public hearing was declared closed.

After a brief discussion, Vice Chair Milofsky motioned, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, to DENY the request that the Commission recommend to the City Council the designation of 7019 Marbrisa Avenue (APN: 6321-030-010) as a Historic Resource for Placement on the Huntington Park Historic Register. The motion carried.

### **Public Hearings**

None.

### **New Business**

#### A. Discussion and/or action of a Street Tree Removal Policy

After a brief discussion, the Commission directed staff to contact other cities regarding their street tree removal policies and bring back the item at a future meeting for Commission review and discussion.

### **Subjects Presented by Historic Preservation Commissioners**

Chairman Shidler invited the Commissioners to attend The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Los Angeles Archives Bazaar on October 22, 2011 at the Doheny Memorial Library, USC Campus.

### **Information Items**

#### A. Huntington Park Newspapers

Chairman Shidler reported that he was trying to preserve a "roomful" of newspapers dating back to 1905 recently recovered from the City Hall basement by storing them in the "history room" of City Hall. Mr. Garcia stated that he would look into purchasing cover sleeves for the historic newspapers.

### **Identification of Items in Progress**

Planning Manager Garcia stated that staff is working on the church survey and that the completed survey will be presented to the Commission at a future meeting.

**Closed Session**

None.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Chairman Shidler adjourned the meeting at 5:42 p.m. to December 20, 2011.

ATTEST:

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Chairman

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Secretary