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Quarterly Meeting
of the
STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
Resources Building, Redwood Conference Room
1416 9th Street, 14 Floor
Sacramento, California
July 31, 2009
9:00 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Julianne Polanco, Chair, Architectural History
Bryan K. Brandes, Vice Chair, Public Member
Alberto Bertoli, AIA, Architecture
Donn Grenda, Ph.D., Prehistoric Archaeology
Fernando Guerra, Ph.D., Folklife
Rick Moss, History
Richard Shek, Ph.D., Ethnic History*

COMMISSIONER ABSENT

Trish Fernandez, M.A., Historic Archaeology
David Phoenix, Public Member

STAFF PRESENT

Milford Wayne Donaldson, FAIA, State Historic Preservation Officer, Executive Secretary
Stephen Mikesell, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Jay Correia, State Historian III, Registration Unit Supervisor
Cynthia Toffelmier, State Historian II
William Burg, State Historian I
Twila Willis-Hunter, Executive Secretary
Tara Lynch, Acting Chief Counsel

*Commissioner Shek arrived at 10:10 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Legal notice having been duly given and a quorum being present, the State Historical Resources Commission (Commission) meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Chairperson Julianne Polanco.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Julianne Polanco led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. INTRODUCTION OF COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF

The Commissioners introduced themselves; SHPO Donaldson introduced himself and the Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) staff.

III. WELCOME

Ruth Coleman, Director, California Department of Parks and Recreation welcomed the Commission to Sacramento and she briefly gave a budget update.

IV. APPROVAL OF APRIL 16, 2009 MINUTES

Chairperson Polanco asked for approval of the April 16, 2009 draft meeting minutes. Commissioner Donn Grenda moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Commissioner Bryan Brandes seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

V. POWERPOINT PRESENTATION OF NOMINATED PROPERTIES

Registration Unit staff presented a PowerPoint program that highlighted the properties to be heard by the Commission.

VI. CONSENT ACTION ITEMS

A. National Register of Historic Places, New Nominations

1. Carl Stroschein House/The Little Yellow House
San Juan Capistrano, Orange County
Local Level of Significance
2. Commercial Row/Brickelltown Historic District
Truckee, Nevada County
Local Level of Significance
3. Navarro
Navarro, Mendocino County
Local Level of Significance
4. Shady Point
Lake Arrowhead, San Bernardino County
Local Level of Significance
5. Sonora Youth Center

Sonora, Tuolumne
Local Level of Significance

6. Stevens House
Malibu, Los Angeles County
Local Level of Significance

B. California Register of Historical Resources, New Nomination

1. Jackson Building
Riverside, Riverside County
Local Level of Significance
2. La Laguna/Vincent Lugo Park
San Gabriel, Los Angeles County
Local Level of Significance

Chairperson Polanco entertained a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Commissioner Guerra approved the Consent Calendar. Commissioner Bertoli seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

Sonya Lubisich thanked the Commission for approving the La Laguna Park nomination.

Jan Wooley, California Department of Parks and Recreation, thanked the Commission for approving the Navarro nomination.

Marianne Hurley, California Department of Parks and Recreation, thanked the Commission for approving the Navarro nomination.

Jim Martin, president, Navarro-by-the-Sea, thanked the Commission for approving the Navarro nomination.

Milford Wayne Donaldson, State Historic Preservation Officer, addressed the Friends of La Laguna to inform them that La Laguna Park is now eligible to use the California Historic Building Code.

VII. NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES NOMINATIONS DISCUSSION AND ACTION

Cynthia Toffelmier read the Staff Report. She noted that San Francisco, where the Tobin House is located, is a Certified Local Government and has certain rights with regard to National Register nominations within its boundaries. She observed that the city's historic preservation board supports nominating the Tobin House but felt that it should be listed under Criterion B (for its association with the DeYoung family) as well as Criterion C. Ms. Toffelmier explained that, in the view of the Office, the property did not meet Criterion B because the association was not significant.

A. Tobin House

San Francisco, San Francisco County

Alice Carey, Carey & Company spoke in support of the nomination.

Chairperson Polanco noted that there were no speakers in opposition to the nomination, closed public discussion, and opened the Commission's discussion.

Chairperson Polanco entertained a motion for the Tobin House nomination. Commissioner Brandes approved the Tobin House under Criterion C at the local level of significance. Commission Bertoli seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

B. Roos House
San Francisco, San Francisco County

William Burg read the staff report. The situation was similar to that for the Tobin House in that the San Francisco historic preservation board supported the nomination but wished to see several minor changes to the nomination. Mr. Burg explained why, in the view of the Office, the changes were unnecessary.

Caitlin Harvey, Page and Turnbull spoke in support of the nomination.

Chairperson Polanco noted that there were no speakers in opposition to the nomination, closed the public discussion, and open the Commission's discussion.

Chairperson Polanco entertained a motion for the Roos House nomination. Commissioner Moss moved to approve staff's recommendation to forward the Roos House nomination to the National Register without the changes suggested by the CLG. Commissioner Brandes seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

3. Pegfair Estates Historic District
Pasadena, Los Angeles

Jay Correia read the Staff Report. He explained that the application had been modified substantially since it was heard and rejected by the Commission at its meeting November 2008. Correia noted that there were 25 parcels with the proposed district, 22 of which contributed to its significance, and eight of which objected to the nomination.

Daniel Paul, ICF Jones and Stokes, spoke in support of the nomination. He spoke at length about the Asian influence upon the Ranch Style design of the buildings, arguing consistency with a long tradition of Asian design in the Pasadena area.

Chairperson Polanco noted that there were no speakers in opposition to the nomination, closed the public discussion, and open the Commission's discussion.

Commissioner Guerra asked Jay Correia to repeat the number of opposition letter that had been received. Mr. Correia said the number was eight.

Jay Correia stated that most letters simply stated that the owners opposed the nomination. If reasons were given, they tended to state that the owners did not believe their house to be architecturally significant.

Commissioner Bertoli asked Mr. Correia to repeat the number of non-contributing buildings with the proposed district; the answer was three.

Commissioner Moss moved, and Bertoli seconded, to approve the Pegfair Historic District for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The vote was five in favor and Commissioner Brandes voting in opposition. Motion carried five to one.

The Commission recessed the meeting at 10:45 in order to attend State Parks Director Ruth Coleman's budget update all-staff meeting. The meeting reconvened at 12:05 p.m.

VIII. RESOLUTION

Daniel R. Tynan, Lifeguard Supervisor from the Gold Fields District, accepted the resolution.

IX. Information Center Update and Proposed Changes

- A. Amend Information Center Manual to Include Landscape Architecture as a professional category.

SHPO Donaldson presented the Staff Report on this matter. The Information Center access policy provides for unlimited access for various professionals that meet the Secretary of Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards. Although there is not an accepted standard for their profession, landscape architects are commonly involved in historic preservation work and require access to the data contained in IC repositories. For this reason, landscape architects seek to be included in the list of qualified professionals granted access to IC files.

SHPO Donaldson proposed a standard for landscape architects of a graduate degree and licensed to practice in the State of California.

Commissioner Grenda proposed an alternative standard, to include one patterned after the Secretary of Interior's Standards for historical architect:

1. Two full years full time experience in the field; and
2. At least one year specialized experience in historic preservation work.

Chairperson Polanco entertained a motion. Commissioner Grenda moved to add in the policy to have two years full time landscape architects experience and one year specialized experience in historic preservation work. Commissioner Shek seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Questionnaire and Electronic Fee Structure

Eric Allison, CHRIS Coordinator presented the electronic fee comparison to the Commission.

Bryan Much, Assistant Coordinator, Northwest Information Center gave the Commission an update regarding the electronic fee comparison. Mr. Much expressed his opinion that the operations to date have been successful among the Information Centers able to deliver products electronically, but that it is too soon to tell about the system statewide, since not all Information Centers are currently capable of such delivery. He outlined broadly the approach to the questionnaire, noting that it would be advantageous to wait to post the questionnaire, until more Information Centers were electronically capable.

Commissioner Grenda asked if maps will be in digital format.

Bryan Much stated the maps will be digital.

Commissioner Grenda asked what the goal is in having the maps digital.

Bryan Much stated the goal is to prioritize the resources in problem areas.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

John William Templeton, a historian, made a presentation about the City of San Francisco's lack of attention to historic sites related to African-Americans.

XI. COMMITTEE REPORT

SHPO Donaldson reported on the progress of the Archaeological Resources Committee, in the absence of Commissioner Fernandez. He reported that it the desire of the Archaeological Resources Committee to present to the full Commission in October 2009 a final draft of a series of "white papers," that concern archaeological issues that were raised in the Office of Historic Preservation Five-Year Plan. The issues are "Curation; Interpretation; Conservation; Preservation; and Standards and Guidelines."

SHPO Donaldson noted that he had met with a sub-committee of the ARC, one that concerns the role of Native Americans in the development of these "white papers." He noted that he had met with sub-committee members Gregg Castro, Janet Eidsness, and others, to hear concerns by Native Americans that they had not been fully consulted in the development of the "white papers." SHPO Donaldson then introduced Gregg Castro, a member of the Native American Program Committee of the Society for Commission a letter report, dated July 276, 2009, prepared by Janet Eidsness. It outlined the steps that had been taken by the ARC to engage Native American groups, and proposed additional steps that should be taken before the October 2009 Commission meeting, and beyond.

Archaeological Resources Committee – Greg Castro presented information to the Commission about the Archaeological Resources Committee White Paper guidelines and the California Indian community's concerns.

XII. COMMISSION AND STAFF REPORTS

State Historic Preservation Officer Milford Wayne Donaldson, FAIA gave his report.

SHPO Donaldson reported that as of June 30, 2009 Proposition 40 grants were completed and the program is now over.

SHPO Donaldson reported Steade Craigo is officially retired as of December 29, 2009.

SHPO Donaldson attended the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) bi-annual conference in San Francisco on June 2.

SHPO Donaldson attended the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers (NCSHPO) in Big Bend, Texas on July 8-10, 2009.

SHPO Donaldson attended the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer/State Historic Preservation Officer Summit on July 16.

SHPO Donaldson mentioned the upcoming 11th annual summit of the National Association of Tribal Preservation Officers (NATHPO) that will take place August 11-14, 2009, in Durant, Oklahoma.

SHPO Donaldson attended a meeting with Ames NASA to discuss Hangar One at Moffat Field. The Navy is receiving bids during the first week of August for the removal of the skin and interior structure. SHPO Donaldson stated Ames will be taking over this project for the Project Review Section.

SHPO Donaldson reported that on September 21-23, 2009, he will be attending the National Park Service Tax Reviewers/Sustainability and Historic Tax Credit meeting in Raleigh, North Carolina.

SHPO Donaldson mentioned that in three weeks he will be attending a meeting with the San Francisco Presidio Trust. SHPO Donaldson stated Don Fisher has abandoned plans to locate his museum at the head of the Main Post Parade Ground.

SHPO Donaldson reported on September 23-25, 2009 he will be attending the California Downtown Association annual conference in Ventura with California Main Street.

SHPO Donaldson mentioned he will be attending the National Trust for Historic Preservation (NTHP) Annual Conference on October 12-16, 2009, in Nashville, Tennessee.

SHPO Donaldson also reminded the Commission about the process for reappointment to the State Historical Resources Commission.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION OF THE COMMISSION

AIMCO VENEZIA, LLC v. State of California, State Historic Resources
Commission, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case Number BS 103 594.

No closed session

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Polanco adjourned the regular meeting of the Commission at 1:30
p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Milford Wayne Donaldson FAIA
State Historic Preservation Officer

Date