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Quarterly Meeting of the  
STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION  
City Hall Council Chamber  
Sacramento City Hall  
915 I Street, 1st Floor  
Sacramento, California  
January 29, 2016  
9:00 a.m.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

Bryan K. Brandes, Chair, Public Member  
Marshall McKay, Vice-Chair, Folklife  
Alberto Bertoli, Architecture  
Elizabeth Edwards Harris, Architectural History  
Rick Moss, Ethnic History  
Adrian Praetzellis, Prehistoric Archaeology

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT**

David Phoenix, Public Member

**STAFF PRESENT**

Julianne Polanco, State Historic Preservation Officer and Executive Secretary to the Commission  
Jenan Saunders, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer  
Tara Lynch, Chief Counsel, California State Parks  
Jay Correia, State Historian III, Registration Unit Supervisor  
William Burg, State Historian II  
Amy Crain, State Historian II  
Eric Allison, CHRIS Coordinator  
Diane Barclay, Outreach and Communications Coordinator  
Twila Willis-Hunter, Executive Secretary

**Note: Meeting minutes are a summary and not a verbatim transcription.** Audio recordings of each State Historical Resources Commission meeting are available at <http://www.ohp.parks.ca.gov/shrcminutes>.

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Legal notice having been duly given and a quorum present, the State Historical Resources Commission (Commission) meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Chair Bryan Brandes.

## **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Brandes led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **III. INTRODUCTION OF COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF**

Chair Brandes extended a welcome to all present on behalf of the Commission, and extended a special welcome to Stephen Mikesell, former Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, and former Commissioners Luis Hoyos and Lauren Bricker. Chair Brandes then asked the current panel of Commissioners to introduce themselves. State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) Julianne Polanco introduced Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) staff present at the dais and in the audience.

## **IV. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 30, 2015 MINUTES**

Commissioner McKay moved to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Harris seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

## **V. COMMISSION AND STAFF REPORTS**

### **A. Chair's Report**

No report given.

### **B. Executive Secretary's Report**

Executive Secretary and SHPO Julianne Polanco opened her report by noting the passing of Marion Mitchell-Wilson, former Acting SHPO and Acting Deputy SHPO. SHPO Polanco noted that in Ms. Wilson's more than 35 years of working life, she served in a variety of capacities including among others, executive director of Inlandia Institute, adjunct professor at UC Riverside, and La Sierra University, and redevelopment manager, planner, and public library fund development manager during her years with the City of Riverside. She received

numerous awards including a 2005 President's Award from the California Preservation Foundation, and a Joint Resolution of the California Legislature recognizing her contributions to the California Heritage Task Force in 1984. Marion Mitchell-Wilson's dedication and award-winning work in the field of preservation is appreciated, and she will be missed by her many colleagues and friends.

SHPO Polanco went on to report on the recent activities and work of the OHP including a number of workshops throughout the year that are being presented by the OHP or in which the OHP is a participant. OHP staff also participated in a well-attended THPO/SHPO Summit in December. SHPO Polanco noted that among her other activities, she will be attending a number of meetings and conferences in the coming months, including, among others, the annual meeting of the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers, at which Deputy SHPO Saunders will join her, and the National Park Service's Multiple Voices meeting, which will look at the criteria governing National Historic Landmark designations. SHPO Polanco also remarked on the success of the 2015 Governor's Historic Preservation Awards, noting the inspiring diversity of the projects awarded.

She ended her report by mentioning that long-time OHP volunteer, Duane Marti, was awarded a California State Parks Poppy Award for his valuable and much appreciated service to the office and the State of California in the field of Archaeology.

## **VI. WELCOME**

The Honorable Steve Hansen, Sacramento City Council, welcomed the Commission to Sacramento and the City Hall Council Chamber. He affirmed the City's commitment to preserving Sacramento's past and carrying it forward to enrich the future. Mr. Hansen expressed support for the National Register of Historic Places nomination for the American Cash Apartments, citing the building as an example of the many historic properties in Sacramento that reflect the city's unique history and character.

## **VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **A. Archaeological Resources Committee (ARC)—Adrian Praetzellis, Acting Chair**

Commissioner Praetzellis reported that the ARC continues to work on finalizing updates to guidelines for the Archaeological Resource Management Report (ARMR). Comments on the draft document were received from tribes, archaeologists, and agencies, and will inform the process going forward. The next ARC meeting is set for March in conjunction with the Society for California Archaeology (SCA) Annual Meeting.

B. Cultural Diversity Committee – Rick Moss, Chair

No report.

C. Information Center Procedural Advisory Committee (ICPAC), Adrian Praetzellis Chair

Commissioner Praetzellis reported that ICPAC had not met since the last Commission meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2016, in conjunction with the SCA Annual Meeting.

D. Modernism Committee-Elizabeth Edwards Harris, Chair

Commissioner Harris reported that the Modernism Committee would be participating again in Modernism Week, February 11-21, 2016. The committee is facilitating a panel discussion, "Modernism Wars: the National Register, Defender of Modern Buildings." The focus will be on Criteria A and C as they apply to modern resources. Commissioner Harris also reported that the committee continues its outreach efforts, including developing a modernism list-serve, and working with the Getty Initiative on Modernism to connect with, and gain the support of modern architects in preserving modern resources.

**VIII. POWERPOINT PRESENTATIONS OF ALL NOMINATED PROPERTIES**

Presented by Jay Correia, State Historian III/Registration Unit Supervisor; Amy Crain, State Historian II; and William Burg, State Historian II.

**IX. CONSENT CALENDAR**

A. National Register of Historic Places, New Nominations

1. Monday Club of San Luis Obispo  
San Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo County  
Local Level of Significance
2. Residential Architecture of John Lautner Multiple Property Submission  
Multi-County  
Local Level of Significance
  - a. Carling, Foster, House  
(Residential Architecture of John Lautner MPS)  
Los Angeles, Los Angeles County  
Local Level of Significance
  - b. Harpel, Willis, Residence

- (Residential Architecture of John Lautner MPS)  
Los Angeles, Los Angeles County  
Local Level of Significance
- c. Harvey, Leo M., House  
(Residential Architecture of John Lautner MPS)  
Los Angeles, Los Angeles County  
Local Level of Significance
- d. Lautner, John and Mary, House  
(Residential Architecture of John Lautner MPS)  
Los Angeles, Los Angeles County  
Local Level of Significance
- e. Schaffer, J.W., House  
(Residential Architecture of John Lautner MPS)  
Los Angeles, Los Angeles County  
Local Level of Significance
- f. Walstrom, Douglas and Octavia, House  
(Residential Architecture of John Lautner MPS)  
Los Angeles, Los Angeles County  
Local Level of Significance
- g. Elrod, Arthur, House  
(Residential Architecture of John Lautner MPS)  
Palm Springs, Riverside County  
Local Level of Significance
- h. Pearlman, Carl and Agnes, Cabin  
(Residential Architecture of John Lautner MPS)  
Idyllwild, Riverside County  
Local Level of Significance
- 3. Alameda County Building and Loan Association Building  
Oakland, Alameda County  
Local Level of Significance
- 4. West Butte Schoolhouse  
Live Oak (vicinity), Sutter County  
Local Level of Significance
- 5. TB-9  
Davis, Yolo County  
Local Level of Significance

6. Alexander, Dr. Franz, Residence  
Palm Springs, Riverside County  
Local Level of Significance
7. American Cash Apartments/American Cash Store  
Sacramento, Sacramento County  
Local Level of Significance
8. Paso Robles Almond Growers Association Warehouse  
Paso Robles, San Luis Obispo County  
Local Level of Significance
9. Santa Barbara Veterans Memorial Building  
Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County  
Local Level of Significance
10. William A. Whifler House  
Burlingame, San Mateo County  
Local Level of Significance

Chair Brandes thanked staff for their presentation of the Consent Calendar. He then read aloud the rules and procedures by which the Commission reviews and votes on National Register of Historic Places and California Register of Historic Resources nominations.

Vice Chair McKay moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Commissioner Bertoli seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Luis Hoyos and Lauren Bricker, both of Cal Poly Pomona, and authors of the Lautner Multiple Property Submission (MPS) nomination, expressed their appreciation for the many people critical to the success of the nomination, including the Lautner family and Lautner Foundation. They also thanked OHP staff, and SHPO Polanco and former SHPO Wayne Donaldson for their help throughout the nomination process.

Christine Lazzaretto, Historic Resources Group, and Judith Lautner, John Lautner Foundation, also spoke in favor of the Lautner MPS nomination, thanking the Commissioners for their vote, and the staffs of the OHP and the John Lautner Foundation for their help and support.

Commissioner Bertoli expressed his pleasure at the recognition being given to John Lautner, noting that Lautner was a mentor and inspiration to many, and his work continues to inspire today.

Christy Noble of the Monday Club of San Luis Obispo thanked the Commissioners for their support. She also thanked Jay Correia, OHP, for his help with the nomination process.

**X. NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
CALIFORNIA REGISTER OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

A PowerPoint presentation for each property preceded public comment and Commission discussion.

A. None

**XI. NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
Progress Report**

Chair Brandes updated the Commission on the various properties that had been listed in the National Register of Historic Places since the last meeting of the Commission, as noted in the meeting agenda.

**XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**XIII. COMMISSION DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

A. Approval of State Historical Resources Commission 2015 Annual Report

SHPO Polanco requested that a paragraph be added to the report that would note the transfer of the SHPO position from former SHPO Carol Roland-Nawi to SHPO Polanco, and acknowledge Ms. Roland-Nawi's service as SHPO.

Commissioner Harris moved to approve the Annual Report with the requested addition. Commissioner Moss seconded. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

B. California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) Modernization and Sustainability Plan Update

Deputy SHPO Jenan Saunders reported that the CHRIS Action Plan was finalized and is now posted on the OHP website. OHP staff has now identified a number of tasks and issues to be addressed in-house prior to contracting for the CHRIS Transition Study. The tasks are to be completed over the next six months. Some of the tasks can be addressed and discussed with the ICPAC at their March meeting.

Commissioner Praetzellis agreed that it would be good to bring discussion of these items to the ICPAC meeting. He noted that his years as a California State University (CSU) professor, and working with CSU administrations, would allow him to offer some perspective on issues related to the CHRIS Information Centers, all of which are located on CSU and University of California (UC) campuses.

#### **XIV. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**

Commissioner Harris expressed appreciation for the Cal Poly Pomona professors who are bringing the National Register process and purpose into the classroom and introducing students to preservation. She noted that the National Register nomination process is hard work but worth the effort.

Chair Brandes commented that he was glad plans for CHRIS were moving forward but was concerned another study would mean another delay. Deputy SHPO Saunders and SHPO Julianne Polanco acknowledged his concern and assured him that OHP staff was mindful of time and would move as quickly as is responsible. They explained that completion of these additional tasks before development of the transition study will help ensure the study is focused appropriately and will ultimately be successful.

#### **XV. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Brandes adjourned the regular meeting of the State Historical Resources Commission at 10:31 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Julianne Polanco  
State Historic Preservation Officer

3/22/2016

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Date