Wednesday, May 15, 2019
12:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Black, Hyland, Johnck, Matsuda, Pearlman, Wolfram
COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Johns

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT HYLAND AT 12:34 PM

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Michelle Taylor, Shelley Caltagirone, Tim Frye – Preservation Officer, Jeff Joslin, Jonas P. Ionin – Commission Secretary

SPEAKER KEY:
+ indicates a speaker in support of an item;
- indicates a speaker in opposition to an item; and
= indicates a neutral speaker or a speaker who did not indicate support or opposition.

A. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

SPEAKERS: None

B. DEPARTMENT MATTERS
1. Director’s Announcements

None

2. Review of Past Events at the Planning Commission, Staff Report and Announcements

Tim Frye, Preservation Officer:
Commissioners, just a couple of items to share with you. One is Teatro ZinZanni was unanimously approved at the Planning Commission a couple of weeks ago. I was present in case there was any preservation related questions which there were none. And there was generally, I would say, almost unanimous support from the public for the development. So, that moves on to the next steps in its process. Also, the Land Use Committee is confirmed that the Paper Doll landmark designation in North Beach has been scheduled for Land Use on June 3rd. We will be presenting on your behalf. And it’s a nice compliment to start pride month which hopefully we will have our first LGBTQ local designation in the North Beach neighborhood. And finally, I wanted to make an announcement that this will be my last hearing with you. I have very much enjoyed the last ten plus years working as the Historic Preservation officer for San Francisco, but I have accepted a job with the New York City Landmarks Commission as their Director of Strategic Planning and Special Projects. So, thank you again for a great ten plus years with the Commission and prior to that with the Landmarks Board. I’ve really enjoyed it and I’ve learned a tremendous amount.

President Hyland:
You’ll be missed, Tim.

Commissioner Matsuda:
Yes.

President Hyland:
Thanks for all your efforts.

Commissioner Black:
Very much.

Commissioner Wolfram:
Well I was just going to say that comes as a surprise to me. I didn’t know that but, okay I just want to congratulate you. That’s a great position and you will be definitely missed. And we thank you for all your work. It’s been a real pleasure working with you for these last ten years.

President Hyland:
And had we had a any heads up, we would’ve done something. But apparently this will be your last hearing.

Commissioner Pearlman:
At least a plaque and a martini.
Commissioner Wolfram:
That’s right.

Commissioner Johnck:
A Landmark plaque.

C. COMMISSION MATTERS

3. President’s Report and Announcements

President Hyland:
I just wanted to update everyone on the Citywide Survey and the conversations around the budget. We continue to network with the Mayor’s Office and unfortunately it might be at a point where we are too late for this cycle, but we’re not giving up and moving forward. Mayor’s Directive of no new headcounts, we’re asking for three temporary headcounts. So that’s where we’re at.

4. Consideration of Adoption:
   - Draft Minutes for ARC April 3, 2019
   - Draft Minutes for HPC May 1, 2019

SPEAKERS: None
ACTION: Adopted
AYES: Black, Hyland, Johnck, Matsuda, Pearlman, Wolfram
ABSENT: Johns

5. Commission Comments & Questions

Jonas P. Ionin, Commission Secretary:
Well, this would be opportunity to the take up the matter of June 5th and July 3rd. We have no items on your advance calendar for June 5th and two of the commissioners have already indicated that they will be out. We have no –

Commissioner Wolfram:
Which day? Sorry which day was that?

Jonas P. Ionin, Commission Secretary:
June 5th. So, the next hearing. And then July 3rd would also be something you may want to consider given the holiday.

Commissioner Wolfram:
I thought we canceled that already on January. In the beginning of the year.

President Hyland:
I think we left it open as a possibility yeah. So, we can just officially cancel both of them since we have no agenda items.
Jonas P. Ionin, Commission Secretary:
We have no items on your advance calendar.

President Hyland:
Do we need a motion to both of those?

Jonas P. Ionin, Commission Secretary:
You certainly do.

ACTION: Canceled June 5, 2019 and July 3, 2019 hearing
AYES: Black, Hyland, Johnck, Matsuda, Pearlman, Wolfram
ABSENT: Johns

Commissioner Wolfram:
my question was about the hearing on Monday the 20th of May. Is that in this room or is that in –

Jonas P. Ionin, Commission Secretary:
It is not. Commissioners, last time we had a joint with the Civic Center Design Review Committee, we held them in these chambers and we agreed to hold them in their chambers the next time. So, they’re up. So, it is in the War Memorial Building. The addresses and the room are on the agenda that have already been posted and issued to you.

6. Certified Local Government Program (CLG) Annual Report

SPEAKERS: Tim Frye
ACTION: Reviewed and Commented

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Historic Preservation Commission, and may be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Commission, the public, or staff so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item at this or a future hearing.

7. 2016-014964COA (J. FLYNN: (415) 575-9057)
CIVIC CENTER COMMONS EXPLORATORIUM TEMPORARY ART PROJECT AT SFPL – Larkin Street side of the SF Public Library Main Branch Building, on the building terrace and sidewalk area within the Civic Center Landmark District (District 6). Request for a Certificate of Appropriateness to authorize the installation of a temporary interactive installation at the site for one year. Designed by the Exploratorium in partnership with the SF Public Library, the project features columns with interactive exhibits about social psychology. Exhibits will invite people to connect with each other, confront biases, challenge conformity, practice generosity, and share stories. The installation is being designed in close collaboration with SFPL Program and Facilities staff and was presented to the Architectural Review Committee on April 3, 2019.
Preliminary Recommendation: Approve

SPEAKERS: None
ACTION: Approved
AYES: Black, Hyland, Johnck, Matsuda, Pearlman, Wolfram
ABSENT: Johns
MOTION: 0375

E. REGULAR CALENDAR

8a. 2019-006245LBR (S. CALTAGIRONE: (415) 558-6625)
1552 HAIGHT STREET – located on the north side of Haight Street between Ashby and Clayton streets in the Haight-Ashbury neighborhood. Assessor’s Block 1231, Lot 014 (District 5). Consideration of adoption of a resolution recommending Small Business Commission approval of a Legacy Business Registry application. Distractions is a counter-culture retail store that has served San Francisco for 37 years. The Legacy Business Registry recognizes longstanding, community-serving businesses that are valuable cultural assets to the City. In addition, the City intends that the Registry be a tool for providing educational and promotional assistance to Legacy Businesses to encourage their continued viability and success. The subject business is located within the Haight Street NCD (Neighborhood Commercial District) Zoning District and 40-X Height and Bulk District.
Preliminary Recommendation: Adopt a Recommendation for Approval

SPEAKERS: = Shelley Caltagirone – Staff report
+ Jim Siegel – Distractions
+ Nicole Mason – Veritable Vegetable
+ Elizabeth Scarpelli – Scarpelli Physical Therapy
ACTION: Adopted a Recommendation for Approval
AYES: Black, Hyland, Johnck, Matsuda, Pearlman, Wolfram
ABSENT: Johns
RESOLUTION: 1053

8b. 2019-006247LBR (S. CALTAGIRONE: (415) 558-6625)
4200 18TH STREET – located on the northwest corner of 18th and Collingwood streets in the Castro neighborhood. Assessor’s Block 2648, Lot 052 (District 8). Consideration of adoption of a resolution recommending Small Business Commission approval of a Legacy Business Registry application. Scarpelli and Associates Physical Therapy, Inc. is an Orthopedic Manual Therapy practice that has served San Francisco for 34 years. The Legacy Business Registry recognizes longstanding, community-serving businesses that are valuable cultural assets to the City. In addition, the City intends that the Registry be a tool for providing educational and promotional assistance to Legacy Businesses to encourage their continued viability and success. The subject business is located within the Castro Street NCD (Neighborhood Commercial District) Zoning District and 40-X Height and Bulk District.
Preliminary Recommendation: Adopt a Recommendation for Approval

SPEAKERS: Same as Item 8a.
ACTION: Adopted a Recommendation for Approval
AYES: Black, Hyland, Johnck, Matsuda, Pearlman, Wolfram
ABSENT: Johns
RESOLUTION: 1054

8c. **2019-006250LBR**  (S. CALTAGIRONE: (415) 558-6625)
1100 CESAR CHAVEZ STREET – located on the north side of Cesar Chavez Street between Tennessee and Minnesota streets in the Potrero Hill neighborhood. Assessor’s Block 4316, Lot 002 (District 10). Consideration of adoption of a resolution recommending Small Business Commission approval of a Legacy Business Registry application. Veritable Vegetable is an organic produce distribution company that has served San Francisco for 45 years. The Legacy Business Registry recognizes longstanding, community-serving businesses that are valuable cultural assets to the City. In addition, the City intends that the Registry be a tool for providing educational and promotional assistance to Legacy Businesses to encourage their continued viability and success. The subject business is located within a PDR-1-G (Production, Distribution & Repair – General) Zoning District and 80-X Height and Bulk District.
Preliminary Recommendation: Adopt a Recommendation for Approval

SPEAKERS: Same as Item 8a.
ACTION: Adopted a Recommendation for Approval
AYES: Black, Hyland, Johnck, Matsuda, Pearlman, Wolfram
ABSENT: Johns
RESOLUTION: 1055

9. **2019-006426PCA**  (M. TAYLOR: (415) 575-9197)
MILLS ACT AMENDMENT – Administrative Code Amendment, Board File 190391, introduced by Supervisor Peskin to amend Chapter 71 of the Administrative Code to allow applications for Mills Act contracts for historic properties to be filed concurrently with application for local designation of the same properties to Article 10 or 11 of the Planning Code.
Preliminary Recommendation: Adopt a Recommendation for Approval

SPEAKERS: = Michelle Taylor – Staff report
ACTION: Adopted a Recommendation for Approval
AYES: Black, Hyland, Johnck, Matsuda, Pearlman, Wolfram
ABSENT: Johns
RESOLUTION: 1056

10. **2015-007181OTH**  (M. TAYLOR: (415) 575-9197; S. CALTAGIRONE: (415) 558-6625)
LANDMARK DESIGNATION AND CULTURAL HERITAGE WORK PROGRAM QUARTERLY REPORTS – Discussion of the HPC’s Landmark Designation Work Program and the Cultural Heritage Work Program.
Preliminary Recommendation: None — Informational

SPEAKERS: = Michelle Taylor – Staff presentation
= Shelley Caltagirone – Staff presentation
ACTION: Reviewed and Commented
AYES: Black, Hyland, Johnck, Matsuda, Pearlman, Wolfram
ABSENT: Johns

11. **2019-006507CRV** (P. LAVALLEY: (415) 575-9084)
ADMINISTRATIVE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS AND MINOR PERMITS TO ALTER
DELEGATION – Amendment to the Delegation for Planning Department Preservation staff
to review, approve and deny Administrative Certificates of Appropriateness for individual
Landmarks and Landmark Districts pursuant to Article 10, Section 1006.2(a) of the Planning
Code and Minor Permits to Alter for Significant and Contributory Buildings and all buildings
within Conservation Districts pursuant to Article 11, Section 1111.1 of the Planning Code.
Preliminary Recommendation: Approve

SPEAKERS: = Tim Frye – Staff presentation
ACTION: Approved Delegation Amendments
AYES: Black, Hyland, Johnck, Matsuda, Pearlman, Wolfram
ABSENT: Johns
MOTION: 0376

ADJOURNMENT – 1:37 PM
ADOPTED JUNE 19, 2019