

**AGENDA  
REGULAR MEETING  
CITY OF WHITTIER  
HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, 13230 PENN STREET  
JANUARY 8, 2020, 7:00 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. ROLL CALL**

Linda de Vries, Commissioner  
Candi Nash, Commissioner  
Andrew Pryor, Commissioner  
James Becerra, Vice Chair  
Karen Bennett, Chair

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The public is invited to address Historic Resources Commission regarding any item of business, with the exception of the public hearing items, or any matter within the body's subject matter jurisdiction. Speakers must limit their comments to three minutes. Pursuant to State law, the Commission cannot take action or express a consensus of approval or disapproval on any oral communications which do not appear on the printed agenda.

**5. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Anyone interested in matters scheduled for public hearing may speak for three minutes at the time of the hearing. The applicant and appellant will have up to 20 minutes to present their case and up to an additional 10 minutes to make rebuttal comments at the conclusion of the public hearing. If you challenge any part of the proposed action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised during the public hearing.

**6. STAFF REPORTS**

**6.A. Historic Resources Commission Recommendations for the City of Whittier Budget – Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Recommendation: Provide recommendations to staff.

**7. SECRETARY COMMENTS**

**8. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/CONFERENCE REPORTS**

## 9. ADJOURNMENT

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I hereby certify under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted in accordance with the applicable legal requirements. Regular and Adjourned Regular meeting agendas may be amended up to 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Dated this 3rd day of January 2020.

/s/

Virginia M. O'Neill, Secretary



# Agenda Report

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**Date:** January 8, 2020

**To:** Historic Resources Commission

**From:** Conal McNamara, Director of Community Development  
Sonya Lui, Principal Planner

**Subject:** Historic Resources Commission Recommendations for the City of Whittier Budget – Fiscal Year 2020-2021

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Provide recommendations to staff.

## **BACKGROUND**

In January 2019, the Council directed staff to ask the Historic Resources Commission (HRC) to request efforts they would like to undertake for consideration during the budget process for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. As a result, on February 13, 2019, the HRC recommended the following:

1. Waive Certificate of Appropriateness fees for property owners who willfully enter process, excluding commercial properties and those who are issued stop work notices for unpermitted work.
2. Create a one-page informational sheet on current processes, restrictions, and advantages for distribution at City Hall and non-City Hall venues.
3. Initiate a review of Chapter 18.84 (Historic Resources) with the objective of simplifying and clarifying the requirements in keeping with best practices in historic preservation.
4. Research the Hadley Greenleaf and Central Park Historic Districts with the potential goal of enlarging these Districts.

To date, the Council has authorized the Certificate of Appropriateness fees to be waived and approved the creation of a one-page informational sheet for general public distribution. However, Items 3 and 4 have been deferred by the Council for various reasons. It is anticipated that Items 3 and 4 require further input by both the City Attorney and a professional historic resources consultant, thereby adding to the overall costs needed to accomplish these specific recommendations.

## **DISCUSSION**

The HRC has another opportunity to request matters for the City of Whittier Budget - Fiscal Year 2020-2021, using the same process. All recommendations received from the HRC will be forwarded to the City Council for their consideration.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.