



505 South Garey Avenue
Pomona, CA 91766

City of Pomona Historic Preservation Commission

Action Minutes

Chairperson Angela H. Keller
Vice-Chairperson Walter Martinez
Commissioner Brittany C. Gallivan
Commissioner Carol Anten
Commissioner James Gallivan
Commissioner Ruth B. Alvarez
Commissioner Chara Swodeck

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Keller called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Keller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Brittany C. Gallivan (arrived at 6:42 p.m.)
Commissioner Carol Anten
Commissioner James Gallivan
Commissioner Chara Swodeck
Chairperson Angela H. Keller

Absent: Vice-Chairperson Walter Martinez
Commissioner Ruth B. Alvarez

Staff Present: Betty Donovanik, Development Services Director
Geoffrey Starns, Planning Manager
Vinny Tam, Supervising Planner
Alan Fortune, Associate Planner
Karina Diaz, Assistant Planner
Irene Moure, Assistant Planner

SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR:

The Commission agreed to move this item to the end of the agenda.

1. Selection of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for 2026

Moved by Chairperson Swodeck, seconded by Commissioner Keller, to appoint Britney Gallivan as Chairperson of the Commission. Motion carried (5-0-0-2)

Ayes: B. Gallivan, Anten, J. Gallivan, Swodeck, Keller.
Noes: None
Abstention: None
Absent: Martinez, Alvarez.

In Opposition: None
In Support: None

Moved by Chairperson Swodeck, seconded by Commissioner Keller, to appoint Carol Anten as Vice-Chairperson of the Commission. Motion carried (5-0-0-2)

Ayes: B. Gallivan, Anten, J. Gallivan, Swodeck, Keller.
Noes: None
Abstention: None
Absent: Martinez, Alvarez.

In Opposition: None
In Support: None

Discussion Time: 2 minutes (7:43 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATION: 2:00-3:00

The Commission agreed to move this item to the end of the agenda.

Commissioner Keller said that the Society for California Archaeology will be in Palm Springs on March 5, 2026 -March 8, 2026.

Commissioner Swodeck said Happy Women’s History Month (Month). She said that the Harriet Tubman walk is on March 7, 2026.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Approval of Action Minutes from the Historic Preservation Commission meeting of December 3, 2025.

Moved by Commissioner J.Gallivan, seconded by Commissioner Anten, to approve. Motion carried (5-0-0-2)

Ayes: B. Gallivan, Anten, J. Gallivan, Swodeck, Keller.
Noes: None.
Abstention: None.
Absent: Martinez, Alvarez.

In Opposition: None.
In Support: None.

Discussion Time: 1 minute (6:37 p.m. to 6:38 p.m.)

PUBLIC HEARING:

1. Major Certificate of Appropriateness (MAJCOA-000607-2025) for 411 E. Columbia Avenue.

Assistant Planner Diaz presented this item.

Moved by Commissioner Swodeck, seconded by Commissioner Keller, to approve with the condition to remove the fascia boards on the structure that are not original to the existing garage, or consistent with the Craftsman architectural style, and include exposed eaves in design. Motion carried (5-0-0-2)

Ayes: B. Gallivan, Anten, J. Gallivan, Swodeck, Keller.
Noes: None.
Abstention: None.
Absent: Martinez, Alvarez.

In Opposition: None.
In Support: Manuel Badiola, applicant

Discussion Time: 16 minutes (6:39 p.m. to 6:55 p.m.)

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Determination of Historic Significance (DHS-000642-2025) for 1318 Murchison Avenue

Planning Manager Starns presented this item.

Moved by Chair Keller, seconded by Commissioner Britney Gallivan, to determine not historic. Motion carried (5-0-0-2)

Ayes: B. Gallivan, Anten, J. Gallivan, Swodeck, Keller.
Noes: None.
Abstention: None.
Absent: Martinez, Alvarez.

In Opposition: None.

In Support: Sumit Brahmhatt, applicant

Discussion Time: 21 minutes (6:56 p.m. to 7:17 p.m.)

2. Determination of Historic Significance (DHS-000554-2025) for 3272 N. Garey Avenue

Associate Planner Fortune presented this item.

Moved by Commissioner Swodeck, seconded by Commissioner B. Gallivan, to determine not historic. Motion carried (5-0-0-2)

Ayes: B. Gallivan, Anten, J.Gallivan, Swodeck, Keller.
Noes: None
Abstention: None
Absent: Martinez, Alvarez.

In Opposition: None

In Support: Gurinderjit Keh, Dutch Bros. Coffee

Discussion Time: 24 minutes (7:18 p.m. to 7:42 p.m.)

STAFF COMMUNICATION:

Planning Manager Starns mentioned that we had our first neighborhood meeting for Hacienda Park District last week and approximately 17 individuals attended. The next meeting will take place on Monday, March 9 at 6:30 p.m. We will discuss traffic improvements along Palomares to McKinley and Holt Avenue. We will have a survey on the city's website for the streetlights on Lincoln Avenue (in the 300 block). He said the Safety Action Plan is looking at hotspots (dangerous intersection) and Complete Streets is looking at redesigning of streets. We will host the CLG workshop at the California Preservation Conference on May 9, 2026. We are bringing back the designation of McDonalds Restaurant as a landmark to City Council.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 P.M. to the meeting of April 1, 2026 at 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Prepared by,

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