

HPC RESOLUTION NO. 18-

A RESOLUTION OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA APPROVING A MAJOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS (MAJCOA 9322-2018) TO RETROACTIVELY LEGALIZE THE REMOVAL OF A CEDAR TREE GREATER THAN TEN INCHES IN DIAMETER ON THE SOUTHWESTERN PORTION OF THE POMONA YMCA BUILDING (NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES 86000408) PROPERTY LOCATED AT 350 NORTH GAREY AVENUE (APN: 8336-026-017)

THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMONA DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, the subject property is listed on the National register of Historic Places (No. 86000408);

WHEREAS, the applicant, Spectra Company, has submitted a Major Certificate of Appropriateness (MAJCOA 9322-2018) to retroactively legalize the removal of a cedar tree greater than ten inches in diameter in the southwestern portion of the property located at 350 North Garey Avenue, (APN 8336-026-017);

WHEREAS, the subject tree had a trunk greater than 10-inches in diameter at breast height and, therefore, meets the definition of character-defining landscaping, pursuant to City Council Resolution No. 2000-72—Pomona Historic Sites Tree Protection and Preservation Program;

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted the Historic Sites Tree Protection and Preservation Program on May 1, 2000;

WHEREAS, the removal of character-defining landscaping requires the approval of a Major Certificate of Appropriateness by the Historic Preservation Commission;

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Pomona, after giving notice thereof as required by law, held a public hearing on November 7, 2018, concerning the requested Major Certificate of Appropriateness (MAJCOA 9322-2018); and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Commission has carefully considered all pertinent testimony and the staff report offered in the case presented at the public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

SECTION 1. The Historic Preservation Commission exercising independent judgment has determined, pursuant to the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), that the proposed tree removal is Categorically Exempt per Section 15304 – Minor Alterations to Land.

SECTION 2. Section .5809-13.F.6 of the Zoning Ordinance requires the Historic Preservation Commission to make findings for approval of a Major Certificate of Appropriateness. The Historic Preservation Commission hereby makes the following findings:

1. *The proposed change will not adversely affect any significant historical, cultural, architectural, or aesthetic features of the concerned property or the historic district in which it is located.*

The removal of one cedar tree from the southwestern portion of the property will not adversely affect the historical, cultural, architectural, or aesthetic features of the Nationally Registered Historic Landmark. The tree was not considered a heritage or specimen tree, as defined in City Council Resolution No. 2000-72.

2. *The proposed change is compatible in architectural style with existing adjacent contributing structures in an historic district.*

The proposal involves the removal of one cedar tree and is not located in a historic district within the City of Pomona.

3. *The proposed change is consistent with the architectural style of the building as specified in the Design Review Subsection 5 of the Ordinance.*

The removal of the cedar tree will not alter or detract from the existing buildings on the site and therefore remain consistent with the architectural style of the existing buildings.

4. *The scale, massing, proportions, materials, textures, fenestration, decorative features, and details proposed are consistent with the period and/or compatible with adjacent structures.*

Removal of the tree will not impact the architectural features of historical structures on the subject property and therefore remains consistent with scale, massing and other details of the existing structures.

SECTION 3. The Historic Preservation Commission hereby approves Major Certificate of Appropriateness (MAJCOA 9322-2018) to permit the removal of one cedar tree on property located at 350 North Garey Avenue, subject to the following conditions:

1. Any remaining portions of the existing tree shall be removed, including stump grinding to industry standards, within sixty (60) days from date of approval (November 7, 2018).
2. All surface roots of the tree shall be properly removed without adversely impacting the existing structures or property.

3. The applicant/property owner shall plant one (1) replacement shade tree (minimum 36-inch box) at a location on the property to be determined in consultation with the City Arborist and the Development Services Director or Designee. The replacement tree shall be sufficiently irrigated per City Arborist recommendation and in compliance with Pomona Zoning Ordinance landscape standards. As the site is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, any proposed monuments proposed as part of the tree replacement shall be subject to a Major Certificate of Appropriateness.
4. If the replacement tree dies within one (1) year of replanting on-site, it shall be replaced with a 36-inch box tree planted on site. If the replacement tree dies within one year of planting, it shall be replaced until a tree establishes itself and lives for a minimum of one year.
5. As the site is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and also subject to Art in Public Places requirements, any proposed public art shall be subject to a Major Certificate of Appropriateness.

SECTION 4. The Secretary shall certify to the approval of this Resolution and forward the original to the City Clerk.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS NOVEMBER 7, 2018

DEBRA MARTIN
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

MARIO SUAREZ, AICP
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
SECRETARY

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)
CITY OF POMONA)

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NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Pursuant to Resolution No. 76-258 of the City of Pomona the time in which judicial review of this action must be sought is governed by Sec. 1094.6 C.C.P.