

Supplemental Material

For
City of Sacramento

Personnel & Public Employees Committee

Agenda Packet

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TITLE: PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The attached materials are in addition to previously delivered materials.

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RE: Preservation Commission

Dear Personnel and Public Employees Commission:

I regret that I am unable to attend this hearing and introduce myself in person. I would like to take this opportunity to address the following two items:

Why are you interested in serving on this Commission? and,

Briefly describe the knowledge and experience that qualify you for this Commission.

I am interested in serving on the Preservation Commission because I would like the opportunity to continue to serve Sacramento and the local preservation community. As a resident of Sacramento I have lived in both the Midtown and Curtis Park neighborhoods and experienced many of the other areas, and am familiar with their distinctive qualities and architectural character. During my tenure with the City's Preservation Office I became intimately familiar with the history of Sacramento and the manner in which the architecture of the City reflects that history. As a student of history and a historic preservationist, I believe that tangible examples of our history are hugely important in our ability to teach history as well as to develop a cultural heritage as a community and a nation. However, I also understand the need to balance the preservation of our past with the need to move forward. I believe that I can contribute to this balance through the Preservation Commission.

With over ten years of experience in the field of historic preservation and extensive knowledge of the Secretary's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties and the California Historical Building Code, I believe I meet the requirements of the position. I have spent my career working in California and the Southwestern United States, and as a result worked intensively with the history of the western United States from its earliest prehistoric settlement through modern times. During my career in both the private and public sectors I have gained a thorough knowledge of local, state and federal evaluation criteria, and the application and interpretation of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards. As a planner in the City's Preservation Office, I am well acquainted with the nomination criteria and Commission process, and the evaluation and nomination of individual properties and historic districts. I also had the opportunity to hear the community's perspective regarding the preservation and planning policies relative to historic preservation. Additionally, I am familiar with the goals and policies of the City's General Plan and the Historic Preservation Element, the Historic Preservation ordinance, and the historic preservation program. I hold a Master of Science in Historic Preservation from the University of Pennsylvania and meet the Secretary of the Interior's qualifications as an architectural historian.

I would welcome the ability to serve the preservation community and the City of Sacramento in this capacity, and am grateful for the opportunity to submit this statement in my absence. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Forrest

