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Letter of Nomination

January 3, 2013

The Honorable City Council
One City Hall Plaza, Second Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Council President and members of the City Council:

Pursuant to City Charter section 601, the Mayor, hereby appoints the following persons as members of the following Board or Commission, subject to the City Council's confirmation:

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

Peter Birkholz Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning February 22, 2013 and ending February 21, 2016, filling the architect's seat previously held by Thomas Biggs.

Mary E. MacDonald Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning February 22, 2013 and ending February 21, 2016, filling the non-designated seat previously held by herself.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jean Quan
Mayor

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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF PETER BIRKHOLZ AND REAPPOINTMENT OF MARY E. MACDONALD AS MEMBERS OF THE LANDMARKS PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

WHEREAS, Section 601 of the City Charter provides that members of City boards and commissions shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the affirmative vote of five members of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 8883 C.M.S., passed October 4, 1973, and amended by Ordinance No. 11776, passed March 14, 1995 establishes the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board to identify historic landmarks in Oakland, conduct design review hearings on historic properties, and advise the City Planning Commission and City Council on preservation; and

WHEREAS, the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board consists of seven (7) members including one architect; one landscape architect or city planner; one real estate broker or other person with significant experience in the financing or management of real estate; and one person having extensive knowledge of Oakland history, or of relevant architectural history, each serving 3-years terms but not more than two consecutive three year terms; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Mayor Jean Quan has appointed Peter Birkholz and reappointed Mary E. MacDonald to serve three year terms, each subject to confirmation by the City Council; now therefore be it

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RESOLVED, that pursuant to City Charter section 601, the City Council hereby confirms the Mayor's appointment of Peter Birkholz for a three-year term to the Landmarks Preservation Board in the Architect's Seat beginning February 22, 2013 and ending February 21, 2016, filling the seat previously held by Thomas Biggs, and reappointment of Mary E. MacDonald to the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board for a three year term in a Non-Designated Seat beginning February 22, 2013 and ending February 21, 2016, filling the seat previously held by herself.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES – KALB, KERNIGHAN, MCELHANEY, SCHAAF, GALLO, BROOKS, KAPLAN
AND REID

NOES –

ABSTENTIONS-

ABSENT-

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Oakland City Council

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PETER BIRKHOLZ, AIA, LEED AP

Peter Birkholz has over 25 years of architectural and design experience and has worked on a range of building types including museums, libraries, hotels, office buildings and residential structures. His recent work has focused on the revitalizing existing buildings for new uses and on the restoration of historic properties. As the project manager for several large historic rehabilitation projects, Peter has controlled the schedule, cost and design and has lead project teams in the creation award winning projects that were completed on time and within project budgets.

Peter is experienced in obtaining project entitlements and has worked with a variety of agencies including: the US GSA, State Office of Historic Preservation, City and County of San Francisco, Port of San Francisco, City of Palo Alto, City of Oakland, Port of San Francisco Waterfront Design Advisory Committee, Bay Conservation Development Commission, Army Corp of Engineers, and the California Corrections Standards Authority.

As a resident of Oakland, California for over 20 years, Peter has been active in the historic preservation community and has participated in the public process for project reviews and in the development of specific plans. He was a founding member of the Jack London Neighborhood Association and was part of the smaller group that produced the National Register Nomination for the Oakland Waterfront Warehouse District.

EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE, COLLEGE OF DESIGN, IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY, AMES, IA. 1985.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA, ADVANCED MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE, SAN FRANCISCO, CA. 2004.

EXPERIENCE

PAGE & TURNBULL, INC., S.F., CA. ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL (2007-PRESENT)

- Glenn County Courthouse, Willows, CA. Project manager for the rehabilitation and expansion of the historic Glenn County Courthouse, scope includes consolidation of branch operations to create a new 3 courtroom facility with central holding for inmates.
- The Exploratorium, Piers 15-17, San Francisco, CA. Project manager for the exterior rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of historic pier structures for use as the new Exploratorium Museum.
- 50 United Nations Plaza, San Francisco, CA. Historic Preservation Adviser to the United States General Services Agency (GSA) in the design and construction phases for the rehabilitation of a National Register listed property.
- Sacramento Valley Station, Sacramento, CA. Code and accessibility consulting for the first of a multi-phase project to rehabilitate a 1920's historic railroad depot into an intermodal transportation facility.
- Walt Disney Family Museum, Presidio of San Francisco. Construction administration for the rehabilitation of a former military gymnasium into an art gallery and office building for the Walt Disney Foundation on the grounds of the Presidio in San Francisco.
- The Telephone Building Rehabilitation, 138 New Montgomery Street, San Francisco, CA. Project manager for historic reviews and preservation consulting for the rehabilitation of a 1920's Timothy Pflueger designed high-rise office building.

TOM EUOT FISCH, S.F., CA. ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL (2001-2007)

- Piers 1½, 3 and 5, San Francisco. Rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of historic pier structures for use as private offices and restaurants. The project scope included a marine taxi dock and public access portwalk at the waterside edge.
 - Pier 35, San Francisco. Consultation to the Port of San Francisco on facade reconstruction and life safety upgrades on a contributing structure to a National Register Historic District.
 - One Embarcadero South, San Francisco, CA. Project Architect for the conversion of a high-rise rental building to condominiums.
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PETER BIRKHOLZ ARCHITECTURE, OAKLAND, CA (1998-2000)

Self Employed Architect, Interior Designer and furniture maker in the San Francisco Bay Area working on residential and small commercial projects.

BABEY MOULTON JUE AND BOOTH (BAMO), S.F., CA. (1994-1998)

- Grand Hotel Villa Feltrinelli, Gargnano, Italy. Designer on the rehabilitation of a historic residential property into a luxury boutique hotel.
- Four Seasons Hotel, Milan, Italy. Architectural designer for the conversion of a 15th-century monastery in central Milan into a modern 5-star business hotel with 118 guest rooms.
- Peninsula Hotel, Chicago, IL. Designer for the public spaces of a 5 star hotel in a new high-rise building.
- River Bend Resort, Carmelo, Uruguay. Designer for the public spaces and guest rooms of a luxury resort.

ARCHITECTURE + LIGHT, S.F. CA. (1992-1994)

- Gordon Biersch Restaurant, Henderson, NV. Project Architect for the design of a brewery/restaurant in a mall.
- Bok-Choy Restaurant, Stanford Shopping Center, Palo Alto, CA. Project Architect and designer for the renovation of a restaurant at Stanford Shopping Center.
- Le Colonial, San Francisco, CA. Project Architect and designer for a restaurant near Union Square in San Francisco.

HIDETO HORIIKE + ASSOCIATES, S.F. CA. (1990-1991)

- The Sheraton Palace Hotel, SF, CA. Owners representative for the rehabilitation of the historic Sheraton Palace Hotel, designer for the Kyo-Ya Restaurant at the hotel.

THE ARCHITECTS COLLABORATIVE (TAC), S.F. CA. (1989-1990)

- Town Square, Santa Clara, CA. Master plan designer for a suburban mixed use development.
- Henri Bendel, Chicago, IL. Designer for a new multi-level concept store in Chicago's Water Tower Place.
- Stanford Green Library, Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA. Project designer for the FEMA funded seismic renovation of the historic Green Library.

REID AND TARICS ASSOCIATES, S.F. CA. (1985-1988)

- Architectural intern on various institutional projects in the San Francisco Bay Area.

AFFILIATIONS

BOARD MEMBER/CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, WEST COAST CHAPTER APTI.

CALIFORNIA PRESERVATION FOUNDATION, CORPORATE MEMBER.

OAKLAND HERITAGE ALLIANCE, INDIVIDUAL MEMBER.

AWARDS

2010 California Preservation Foundation Preservation Design Award, Walt Disney Family Museum.

2010 AIA/SF Chapter, Merit Award for Historic Preservation and Innovation in Rehabilitation, Piers 1 1/2, 3 and 5

2009 San Francisco Business Times, Real Estate Deal of the Year, Best Rehabilitation -Piers 1 1/2, 3 and 5.

2007, California Preservation Foundation Design Award, Piers 1 1/2, 3 and 5.

2003 "Partner in Preservation Award," Oakland Heritage Alliance, Jack London Neighborhood Trash Receptacles.

REFERENCES

Available on request.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of California, Office of the General Counsel Oakland, CA

January 1981 – present. Current title and responsibilities: Senior Counsel, Intellectual Property

Provide legal and policy advice in the areas of copyright, trademark, procurement, and competitive bidding to the campuses and Office of the President. Includes dispute resolution, contract review, contract negotiations, and oversight of litigation. Served as counsel to The Bancroft Library and The Mark Twain Project for approximately ten years (new counsel at UC Berkeley currently serves in that capacity). Counsel to University of California Press. For approximately fifteen years, litigated probate cases. Represented the University in giving input to Google, inc. in proposed settlement of copyright infringement class action suit related to Google's digitization of university library holdings.

National Labor Relations Board Oakland, CA and San Francisco, CA

September 1976 – December 1980 Field Attorney

Investigated unfair labor practice cases; conducted collective bargaining elections; obtained temporary restraining orders to prevent illegal picketing; represented the Board in unfair labor practice hearings.

Coordinating Council for Higher Education Sacramento, CA
(Now California Postsecondary Education Commission)

September 1970 – September 1972 (prior to law school) Staff Analyst

Administered state and federal grants.

NONPROFIT EXPERIENCE

2010 – Volunteer, Jean Quan for Oakland Mayor Campaign

Hosted house party, staffed tables, leafleted at street fairs, phone banked.

1998 – 2006 – Oakland Heritage Alliance (OHA), Member, Board of Directors; President 2001-2003

OHA is Oakland's preservation organization. Represented OHA on preservation issues before the City Planning Commission and City Council; organized three home tours as fundraisers, and conducted historical research for each.

1991 – 1996 – Rockridge Community Planning Council (RCPC), Member, Board of Directors; Chair 1993-1996

RCPC is one of Oakland's premier neighborhood organizations, and focuses on many topics, including preservation and land use planning. Represented RCPC in meetings with City personnel and before the City Planning Commission and the City Council on planning issues. Led the organization's opposition in several major land use issues, including expansion of the Dreyer's building and increased parking at Rockridge BART. Participated in successful campaign for a parcel tax to help fund new Rockridge Library. Wrote articles for the monthly newsletter.

1985 – 1993 – Lawyers' Club of San Francisco, Member, Board of Directors

From 1984 – 1992, representative to the State Bar's Conference of Delegates, which set the annual legislative agenda for the State Bar. Held in conjunction with State Bar Meeting.

EDUCATION

University of San Francisco School of Law – J.D. 1976
University of California, Berkeley – Standard Secondary Teaching Credential 1970
University of California, Berkeley – B.A., Political Science major, English minor 1969

RECENT SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

June 2010 – National Association of College and University Attorneys (NACUA) Annual Meeting – “Copyright Best Practices”

December 2009 – State Bar of California, Intellectual Property Section, Internet Conference – “Digital Millennium Copyright Act”

June 2009 – NACUA Annual Meeting – Moderator, “Copyright in the Digital Age”, Session coordinator for “IP Basics Primer”

June 2007 – NACUA Annual Meeting – “Digitizing University Resources”

MEMBERSHIP IN SELECTED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Oakland Heritage Alliance
Berkeley Architectural Heritage Association
California Preservation Foundation
National Trust for Historic Preservation
Block-by-Block (BBBON)
League of Women Voters – Oakland
Sierra Club
American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)

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