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August 10, 2021

D. Preston,
Palm Springs Art Museum
101 N Museum Drive
Palm Springs, CA 92262

and

Tracy Conrad
The Aluminaire Foundation
c/o D.W. Johnston Construction
Attn: Jason Johnston
71650 Sahara
Rancho Mirage, CA 92270

Re: Case 3.330 / HSPB #35 – Certificate of Appropriateness for alterations to a Class 1 historic site (The Palm Springs Art Museum) to create a sculpture garden at the southeast corner of the museum campus in which to place the Aluminaire House.

The above noted application was reviewed by the City's Historic Site Preservation Board meeting of July 6, 2021 at which they granted the Certificate of Appropriateness for the design of the sculpture garden with the following conditions which were clarified by a subcommittee comprised of members Nelson, Kisor and Rose on August 10, 2021.

1. That the proposed perimeter wall around the Aluminaire House sculpture garden match in design detail, material, color, finish and height the existing perimeter wall along the southern property line of the museum campus (fronting Tahquitz Canyon Way). The Board determined that wall to be a historic character-defining feature of the site, in addition to those listed in the July 7, 2021 staff report.
2. That the existing "gum drop" pole lights in the parking lot that must be removed to create the sculpture garden be relocated elsewhere on the museum campus. It is recommended that they be placed at the opposite (north) end of the same parking area in alignment with other existing gum drop pole fixtures. (These too are considered historic character-defining elements on the site.)

The following items do not impact the historic character-defining features of the site, however the Board and subcommittee made the following recommendations for your consideration which it believes will enhance the project and help it visually integrate more successfully with the museum campus:

1. Existing flagpoles: Consider removal and relocation elsewhere on the site to improve the visibility of the Aluminaire House.
2. Existing semi-circular concrete seating: Recommend removal, again, reduce the visual distractions around the proposed sculpture garden.
3. Boulders / Rocks: Recommend relocation away from the perimeter wall to eliminate the possibility of individuals using them to jump over into the sculpture garden wall.
4. Inert groundcover in the sculpture garden (gravel): Recommend Mojave Gold or Copper Canyon or similar brown / tan color, not grey.
5. Palm Trees: Recommend Washingtonia Fillifera palms, NOT date palms as shown. There are no other date palms on the museum campus, the predominant palm tree is the Fillifera (California Fan Palm).
6. Decorative plants / shrubs:
 - a. Recommend something "less blue" in flower / leave color than the Yucca rostrata "Sky Blue" and the Agave Parryi "Truncata", noting that the agave may burn from direct sun and radiant heat off the concrete wall.
 - b. In terms of the south and west perimeter garden walls, suggest Natal Plum, giving nice green, a bit more height and interest. On the east and north garden wall, suggest artichoke agave or other appropriate plant.

This completes the HSPB review of the subject application. Let me know if you have further questions. Thank you.



Ken Lyon, RA, Associate City Planner / Historic Preservation Officer

Enclosure:
Stamped approved application



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CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA PLANNING DEPARTMENT
HISTORIC SITE PRESERVATION BOARD

CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

Date 7/16/21 HSPB # 35 Case # 3.330 Planner KC

(For Staff Use Only)

Planning Case Number: 3-330/HSPB 35

Taken in by (Planner): KC

Date Submitted: 4.16.21

*Apvd w conditions as listed
in lettr dated 8-10-21
(attached)*

MINOR ARCHITECTURAL APPLICATION (MAA)

TO THE APPLICANT: Please fill out the information requested below. Attach any signed authorization letters, drawings, color & material boards, photographs, cut sheets and/or any other materials necessary to describe the proposed project.

PROJECT SITE INFORMATION

Project Address: 101 N Museum Dr, Palm Springs, CA 92262 APN: 513110034BPP
(Number and Street name) (9-digit assessor parcel number ex: 000-000-000)

Project Name (example: Name of Condo Association or HOA): Aluminaire Project

Zone: _____ General Plan: _____ Section/Township/Range: ___/___/___ Lot Area: _____

Detailed Description of Project:

Installation of historic Aluminaire exhibit in Museum parking area.

Sq. Footage - Existing Bldgs _____ Sq. Footage - Proposed New (if any): _____

PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION:

Property Owner's Name: Palm Springs Art Museum

Property Owner's Mailing Address: 101 N. Museum Dr.
(Number and Street Name or P.O. Box)
Pam Springs, CA 92262

Property Owner's Phone: 760-322-4800 Fax _____
City State Zip

Property Owner's Email: dpreston@psmuseum.org

CONTRACTOR, PROJECT MANAGER, OR OWNER'S AGENT AUTHORIZED TO INITIATE THE WORK:

Company Name: D.W. Johnston Construction, Inc.

(Please print) I AM THE: OWNER'S AUTHORIZED AGENT (example CONTRACTOR) LESSEE (TENANT) OTHER

Agent's Name & Signature: Juan Johnston

Agent's Mailing Address: 71650 Sahara
(Number and Street Name or P.O. Box)
Rancho Mirage, CA 92270

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