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Dear Mayor Bogaard and City Council Members:

Pasadena Heritage supports the staff recommendation for the reconfiguration of the Design Commission to include a member with specific historic preservation experience and/or professional credentials.

Please remember that the Design Commission serves as the Historic Preservation Commission, too, for all projects in the Central District - a critical area with many historic resources that is seeing considerable new development. A representative from the Historic Preservation Commission is a very valuable member of the Design Commission, but that person may or may not have notable and broad-based preservation experience (depending on who is willing to accept this additional commission assignment). The Design Commission needs this expertise on a regular and consistent basis.

We believe the commission and staff recommendations so far have resulted in significant improvements in the overall process and urge you to accept staff's recommendation.

Nina Chomsky will be present to speak to the origins of some of these recommendations, based on our joint experience in achieving settlement and ultimately a much improved IDS project.

Thank you for considering our comments.  
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