# CORRESPONDENCE

From:

Stacey Rain Strickler <staceyrain@me.com>

Sent:

Thursday, April 14, 2016 8:32 AM

To: Subject:

Jomsky, Mark Pinney House

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Council members,

Please do not allow any builder or developer to destroy the Pinney House. It is too unique and special to allow anyone to extinguish its existence.

My husband and I enjoy looking at architecture, and several times when we have parked in that neighborhood and walked around, have marveled at that house as it catches us by surprise. It's a slightly hidden treasure, a window to Pasadena's past, and should be revered, not ruined. What a special house.

Part of what makes her such a delight is that she has survived so many changes around her, while holding her ground. She makes us wonder about the history of that street, who passed by, who crossed her threshold. That's what Pasadena needs and what people come from all over the world to experience. Old Pasadena. That doesn't just mean Old Town, it means all the history that this beautiful city is blessed to retain.

Please do everything in your power to save this beautiful structure.

Thank you,

~Stacey Rain Strickler

From:

Sent:

Thursday, April 14, 2016 8:28 AM

To:

Subject:

Jomsky, Mark Save 1906 Pinney House!

To Mayor Terry Tornek and Members of the City Council,

Please uphold the Design Commission's decision that the 1906 Pinney House at 180 S. Euclid is historic. It is important to me and so many others that these buildings be preserved, as they are critical players in our rich culture and experience. They are living historical monuments, and an essential part of the legacy that we can pass on to future generations.

Thank you!

**Thomas Selling** 

thomasaselling@gmail.com: 818-968-1847

From:

Karin <karinmfcc@aol.com>

Sent:

Thursday, April 14, 2016 12:53 AM

To:

Jomsky, Mark

Subject:

1906 Pinney house

Please uphold the Design Commissions decision on the Pinney house. When so much in Los Angeles County has been lost forever, it's important to protect the few buildings left that are historically and architecturally significant. Pasadena has shown itself to be more historically enlightened that any other city in California. Because of that, it draws many more visitors each month. Protecting Pasadena's uniqueness can only help contribute to all of our city's resources.

Karin Romp

From: Sent:

mcfletch <mcfletch@verizon.net> Wednesday, April 13, 2016 7:22 PM Jomsky, Mark 1906 Pinney House on South Euclid

To:

Subject:

To whomever it may concern:

Please uphold the Design Commission's decision that the Pinney House on South Euclid is a historic monument.

Thank you Jennifer Fletcher 262 N Alta Vista Ave, Monrovia, Ca. 90033

From: Sent:

Scott Campbell <scott@windowrnr.com> Wednesday, April 13, 2016 5:53 PM

To:

Jomsky, Mark

Subject:

A note of support for Pinney House on Euclid

### Honorable Mayor Tornek;

Please consider this a simple note of support for the status of 'historic' for the Pinney house on Euclid Street. Disclosures: 1) I am a professional who has chosen to pursue a career in historic preservation, and 2) Sadly, I am not presently a resident of Pasadena. However, my company is a long-standing member of Pasadena Heritage and we have contributed to the preservation of many, many Pasadena buildings. Clearly you can consider me biased, both personally and professionally in favor of historic property protections, but perhaps I can still offer an insight worth a moment of your time.

I am sure you will hear/have heard professionals indicate that the building retains character defining features, that it was designed by a prominent architect, that it is essentially emblematic of a proud, early Pasadena residence among other things. I believe these claims are right, but occasionally they suffer from a degree of subjectivity which can sometimes diminish the force of the claimant's assertion. I would urge you to look also at the real estate value relative to more contemporary units of similar location and size as a proxy for community value and 'historic merit'. In short, if a real estate broker were to tell you that he/she could rent that thing in a minute and charge over market rates per foot (as historic bldg's usually get) then you would enjoy a more objective sense of the community 'voting' with their dollars for the preservation of the structure.

I, personally, would LOVE to move my business into that building. I can tell already that it is stoutly built, of extraordinary design and if it is not presently well maintained, then it is only a simple carpenter away from fabulous. Unfortunately, I am guessing sash and door milling machines are probably not welcome in your Central District zone. ;)

Please consider maintaining the status of 'historic' for this beautiful, old house.



From: Sent: Ted Bosley Jr <br/>
Vednesday, April 13, 2016 5:47 PM

To:

Jomsky, Mark

Subject:

Penney House Demolition Permit Application

To: The Hon. Mayor Terry Tornek

Dear Mayor Tornek,

I'm writing to express alarm at the proposed demolition of the Pinney house at 180 S. Euclid (see image below), designed by C. W. Buchanan in 1906.



The Pinney house is a fine example of the Mission Revival style popular in the early 20th century, when Pasadena's rich architectural traditions were being created by skilled architects such as Buchanan. As you know, the legacy of the California Missions heavily inspired the architectural vocabulary of the region, though few examples of this integrity remain. This house is a particularly good example of the mission-revival bungalow, and it would be a significant loss to the character of the street, the neighborhood, and indeed to all of Pasadena to lose a gem of this caliber.

Thank you for reading.

Ted Bosley

Edward R. Bosley

James N. Gamble Director

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From:

lhuntstewa@aol.com

Sent:

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 10:26 AM

To:

Jomsky, Mark

Subject:

1906 Pinney House

Dear Mayor Tornek and Members of the City Council,

The Design Commission confirmed the 1906 Pinney house at 180 S. Euclid is historic so I don't understand why there is even a discussion about demolishing this beautiful home. Let's keep Pasadena's beautiful and historic homes and areas intact. We don't want to blight our city with too much overgrowth and shoddy construction that doesn't fit our image.

Linnea Hunt-Stewart

From:

Kathy Grzegorek <kathy@sggimmigration.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 10:23 AM

To:

Jomsky, Mark

Subject:

1906 Pinney House

Hello,

Please preserve this house on Euclid by declaring it historic.

Kathleen Grzegorek

Certified Specialist in Immigration & Nationality Law

State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization

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From:

kgrobecker@aol.com

Sent:

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 10:01 AM

To:

Jomsky, Mark

Cc:

jlattig@pasadenaheritage.org

Subject:

Public Hearing, Monday, April 18 re 1906 Pinney House

510 Locke Haven Street Pasadena, California 91105

April 13, 2016

Mayor Terry Tornek and Members of the City Council: c/o mjomsky@cityofpasadena.net

Subject: Public Hearing, Monday, April 18
Proposed demolition, historic 1906 Pinney House, 180 S. Euclid

Pasadena is the renowned city that it is because of the richness of its historic fabric.

We ask that you uphold the Design Commission's decision that this building is historic and urge consideration of its adaptive reuse.

Respectfully,

Ken Grobecker AICP Principal, Townscape. 626 583-8547 o / 626 440- 9572 h

Cc: jlattig@pasadenaheritage.org

From:

bruce sutherland <bsutherland5@yahoo.com> Wednesday, April 13, 2016 9:22 AM Jomsky, Mark PInney House

Sent:

To: Subject:

Mayor Tornek,

Please save the Pinney House. We are losing the feeling of community in the downtown area.

Thank you,

Bruce Sutherland & Jill Carter

From:

Wayne April <wayneapril51@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 9:21 AM

To:

Jomsky, Mark

Subject:

Pinney House

I support the effort to save the Pinney House, if possible. I know the economics are against smaller, older buildings in high-density areas, but saving some buildings helps break up the monotony of newer buildings that are built higher and to the lot lines, blocking out light to everyone around them. A variety of set-backs and heights makes the neighborhood more attractive and desirable. People value Pasadena for its old small-city charm. We have to be careful not to obliterate the very thing that makes people want to move here.

Wayne April 1267 N Hill Ave Pasadena, CA 91104 626-345-0906

From:

Dennis Hill <photos@dennishill.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 9:05 AM

To:

Jomsky, Mark

Subject:

1906 Pinney House

To: Mayor Terry Tornek, Members of the City Council & Preservation Staff:

I'm an not taking a stand as the historic nature of the property, that is for the experts to determine. However, I do believe that the property should be documented in a HABS like manner.

This is especially important if the building is to be razed.

HABS, HAER & HALS documentation is an extremely important step to ensure that the history of our City is preserved for future generations.

There is a long history in Pasadena of building expansive homes in the then current style of the day. Pasadena has always been a progressive leader in architectural design.

I think this tradition should be allowed to continued. My hope is that any home(s) built should be designed and not allow 'cookie cutter' design build structures. We need to be at the forefront of design and not try and duplicate the past eras.

#### Sincerely,

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From: Sent:

MarciaHomiak <homiak@oxy.edu> Wednesday, April 13, 2016 8:59 AM

To: Subject: Jomsky, Mark 1906 Pinney House

Dear Mayor Tornek and members of the City Council,

I am writing to join with many other residents of Pasadena to ask that you uphold the Design Commission's decision to consider this house historic. Like other houses in our city, this house embodies the architectural history and beauty for which Pasadena is known.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best wishes, Marcia Homiak

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From:

Slover, Cheryl

LA Tecolote < CSlover@Tecolote.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 8:58 AM Jomsky, Mark

To: Subject:

Demolition of Pinney House

To whom it may concern,

Please uphold the Design Commission's decision that this building is historic. I can hardly believe that this demolition is even being considered. What a disgrace that would be.

Thank you, Cheryl L. Slover

Cheryl Slover

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From:

Emily Woods <emilyrwoods@hotmail.com> Wednesday, April 13, 2016 8:57 AM Jomsky, Mark Pinney House

Sent:

To:

Subject:

Please uphold the design commission's decision that the Pinney House retain its landmark status.

Sincerely,

**Emily Woods** 

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Lynn Vezina <lynnvez@verizon.net> Wednesday, April 13, 2016 3:43 PM

Jomsky, Mark

Subject:

The demolition of the historic home

Greetings Mr Mayor,

I am on the email list for Pasadena Heritage.

I read about the potential tear down and just want to cast my vote and stand with those against tearing down such a lovely and historic home. I live in an old arts and crafts house in NY state and have dreamt of someday living in a bungalow in Pasadena. Those homes were the dreams of so many that came to California for a better life back in the early 1900's. Those homes were built with love and represent what we should still stand for today. A home built with form and function that is affordable.

I also want to mention that so many still flock to Pasadena to view these historic homes from all over the world. Books, movies and songs were written about California Bungalow communities. Generations of families lived in these homes. Built their lives. Built the great state of California. Magazines still feature these homes. I belong to all Arts and Crafts societies in NY state and often talk up these homes as well as the entire movement that took place back in the day. I have convinced friends to go to Pasadena to see these homes. Don't tear them down.

Those are my 2 cents. Please listen to your community and put all efforts into restoration not destruction.

Sincerely,

Lynn Vezina

355 Albany avenue Kingston NY 12401

Sent from my iPad

From: Sent:

Mary Ann Montanez <mcmontanez@msn.com> Wednesday, April 13, 2016 3:02 PM Jomsky, Mark Pinney House support

To:

Subject:

Please uphold the design commission's decision that the 1906 Pinney House 180 so euclid is Historic Robert L. Montanez

From:

cindy clark-schnuelle <clarkschnuelle@me.com> Wednesday, April 13, 2016 2:49 PM

Sent:

To:

Subject:

Jomsky, Mark Pinner House Demolition

Dear Mayor Tornek and Members of the City Council,

I would like to add my voice to that of the Design Commission and Pasadena Heritage that the 1906 Pinney House at 180 S. Euclid NOT be demolished!

This is a historic building and should remain intact.

Sincerely, Cindy Schnuelle N. Madison Avenue

clarkschnuelle@me.com

From:

kh@kathrynhansen.com

Sent:

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 2:36 PM Jomsky, Mark Pinney House

To: Subject:

Really, Pasadena feels the need to bulldoze a beautiful historic house to put up another ugly apartment building. Do we hold nothing sacred anymore? Do we humans have to destroy everything beautiful?

Please preserve the historic status of this amazing home for us and future generations!

Sincerely, Kathryn Hansen

From:

kgrobecker@aol.com

Sent:

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 11:01 AM

To:

Jomsky, Mark

Cc:

jlattig@pasadenaheritage.org

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Ken Grobecker AICP Principal, Townscape. 626 583-8547 o / 626 440- 9572 h

Cc: jlattig@pasadenaheritage.org

From:

Nicole Muldoon <pray2god4peace@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 12:41 PM

To:

Jomsky, Mark

Subject:

Demolition (Pinney House) 180 S. Euclid

#### Hello Mayor Tornek & Council:

My family has been apart of Pasadena,

since the early 1900's. I'm saddened to even think, that this wonderful and historical city, is again even thinking about a demolition to a historical house.

My thoughts and belief is that without these wonderful old homes and buildings ....that has made "Our City" what it is today.... a historical

City, that we would be just another city on the map.

I'm very proud of this city, although it seems that the money seems to be more important :-(
I want my sons to show their children someday....what a beautiful city we have.

Please, Mayor Tornek & Council DO NOT LET ANYONE TAKE AWAY ANY MORE OF OUR HISTORICAL PASADENA.

GOD BLESS EVERYONE....AND THE BEAUTY OF THIS GREAT CITY.

Thankyou, Nicole Muldoon

From:

Brooke Abercrombie <a href="mailto:brooke.abercrombie@gmail.com">brooke.abercrombie@gmail.com</a>

Sent:

Wednesday, April 13, 2016 3:49 PM

Sent To:

Jomsky, Mark

Subject:

The Pinney House at 180 S. Euclid

Dear Mayor & Members of the City Council,

Pasadena's well preserved architectural heritage - our older homes, the Rose Bowl, City Hall, our public library - is what makes it such a desirable place to live. I moved all the way from Redondo Beach, where they were tearing down bungalows willy-nilly to build monstrous, ugly 5,000sf McMansions, in order to live in a city that values its architectural history and actively preserves it.

We need to save the Pinney House. It is one of those unexpected, visual treasures as you turn on to Euclid from Green Street that makes Pasadena such a wonderful place to live.

Sincerely,

Brooke

Brooke Abercrombie 275 E. Green Street, #1363 Pasadena, CA 91106 626.497.5278 (m)

From: Sent:

John G. Ripley <jgripley@yahoo.com> Wednesday, April 13, 2016 3:59 PM

To: Subject:

Jomsky, Mark 180 S Euclid

To the City Council -

I strongly urge you to support the Design Commission's determination that this building is historic. The arguments against a historic designation reach far afield and are unworthy of our city. Please support the preservation of this unusual and historic house.

Respectfully,

John Ripley Pasadena

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From:

Nancy van den Hout <nancyvandenhout@icloud.com>

Sent:

Thursday, April 14, 2016 3:40 PM

To:

Jomsky, Mark

Subject:

1906 Pinny house on South Euclid

Dear Mayor Terry Tornek and members of the City Council,

Please uphold the Design Commission's decision that this building is historic. Thank you,

Nancy van den Hout 588 Arbor Street Pasadena, CA Sent from my iPad