

Communication from Public

Name: Jeff Wolf
Date Submitted: 12/07/2020 07:08 AM
Council File No: 20-0246
Comments for Public Posting: Please do not demolish the chili bowl. We all love the building. The style and design is a historic representation.

Communication from Public

Name: Molly Becker
Date Submitted: 12/07/2020 09:36 AM
Council File No: 20-0246
Comments for Public Posting: Please make the Chili Bowl a historic monument and prevent it from being demolished! Property owner is seeking to demo citing delays due to Covid, but it needs to be saved!

Communication from Public

Name: Michael Robinson

Date Submitted: 12/07/2020 12:53 PM

Council File No: 20-0246

Comments for Public Posting: Hello, I would like to voice my concern for the historic Chili Bowl Building at 12244 W PICO BLVD. This building is one of a few remaining Mimetic buildings that Los Angeles was once known for. I would like to request that this issue be sent for a full City Council Vote for consideration of protection as a monument.
Thank You.

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Name: douglas p sefton
Date Submitted: 12/07/2020 01:30 PM
Council File No: 20-0246
Comments for Public Posting: the Chili Bowl is a notable cultural icon. It should be referred to the city council for protection.

Communication from Public

Name: Regina Lee

Date Submitted: 12/07/2020 06:01 PM

Council File No: 20-0246

Comments for Public Posting: Please vote to send the Chili Bowl Nomination to the full City Council for Historic-Cultural Monument (HCM) designation. The Chili Bowl in West Los Angeles is one of the last and most intact examples of the Chili Bowl franchise and programmatic architecture in Los Angeles. It should be protected and retained, and sensitively incorporated as part of any new proposed development. Thank you.

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Name: Dwaine Hamilton

Date Submitted: 12/07/2020 06:06 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Hello, I'm writing in support of the Historic-Cultural Monument (HCM) designation of the Chili Bowl shaped building on Pico Blvd. in West Los Angeles. Southern California has been a fun place with fun things and fun places for a very long time, many of those have already vanished so keeping or helping to save one that has a unique and cool history is important to me. Please do what you can to keep this building as is and where it is. Thank you

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Name: George Redfox

Date Submitted: 12/07/2020 06:15 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I would like to state that I am in support of the proposed historic nomination of the Chili Bowl. I believe it is important to preserve our historic architecture for future generations. These old building are part of the story of Los Angeles, they remind us of our humble beginnings. Please save this landmark. Best Regards, George Redfox Downey, California

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Name: Florence Sugarman

Date Submitted: 12/07/2020 06:18 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: When I arrived in Los Angeles in the 1940's from New York, there were 2 things that struck me as wonderful and unusual. The first thing was the unusual trees (they were Palm trees) as we walked out of Union Station and the second was the whimsical Chili Bowls Thank you for returning Union Station to its former glory, now please keep the Chili bowl.

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Name: Justin Dickerson

Date Submitted: 12/07/2020 07:01 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Justin Dickerson and I am a resident of Los Angeles, California. I write to ask the Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) committee to please send the Chili Bowl Nomination forward to the full City Council for Historic-Cultural Monument (HCM) designation. As you may know, the Chili Bowl located at 12244 West Pico Boulevard in Los Angeles is one of the last and most intact examples of the Chili Bowl franchise and programmatic architecture in the area. Programmatic architecture became popular in Southern California during the early 20th century. It is characterized by unusual building designs that mimic the purpose or function of the building. In this case, the Chili Bowl structure looks like a giant chili bowl. Programmatic architecture is whimsical, fun, and showcases the quirky character of Southern California. The Chili Bowl is a special building that was erected 85 years ago. The 1935 Chili Bowl structure on West Pico Boulevard is one of five remaining former Chili Bowl structures from entrepreneur Arthur Whizin's Chili Bowl restaurant chain. The chain had eighteen locations throughout Los Angeles County at its height in the early 1940s. Of the surviving Chili Bowls, the West Los Angeles location is the most intact and has operated nearly continuously as an eatery. The current tenant, Shunji Japanese restaurant, has operated out of the former Chili Bowl since 2012. During the first half of the 20th century, the Los Angeles area was home to one of the highest concentrations of this architecture style. Despite this, so few examples of programmatic architecture remain today -- they are considered a rare resource type. This significant building undoubtedly meets the criteria for HCM designation and should be landmarked. On a personal note, the Chili Bowl was on the way to my grandparents' apartment in Council District 11 and I passed it countless times during my childhood. When I saw the Chili Bowl structure in an e-mail from the Los Angeles Conservancy, it was instantly recognizable to me as the building on West Pico Boulevard that I passed so many times as a young child. The neighborhood there now barely resembles how it looked in prior decades with so many large new developments. I would be sad to see this piece of Los Angeles history and my own personal history go away. Thank you.

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Name: Kate
Date Submitted: 12/07/2020 07:15 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: Please save this historical building. Programmatic architecture is unique. When these old buildings are gone, they are gone forever. It is important for LA to save the few old things that we have.

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Name: Sam F.
Date Submitted: 12/07/2020 07:17 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: Please preserve the Chili Bowl building! We have so few examples of programmatic architecture left in LA !

Communication from Public

Name: Prisca Gloor

Date Submitted: 12/07/2020 08:31 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please nominate the Chili Bowl as a historic cultural monument. The Chili Bowl is so cute and special and attracts tourists as well as residents. Please make sure that generations to come can enjoy it! Thank you, Prisca Gloor

Communication from Public

Name: Joe Bergstrom

Date Submitted: 12/07/2020 08:34 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support the nomination of the Chili Bowl in West Los Angeles as a historic-cultural monument. As a lifelong Angeleno, I am regularly saddened at how so much of our history is destroyed in the name of progress. Please preserve this fantastic piece of history before it's too late!

Communication from Public

Name: Javier

Date Submitted: 12/07/2020 09:32 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please keep the Chili Bowl on the landmark status. We need to preserve our City history.

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Name: Carol Cetrone

Date Submitted: 12/08/2020 03:48 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: As a rare surviving example of SoCal programmatic architecture, the Chili Bowl represents a particularly quirky species of commercial design from a golden era of Los Angeles commercial development. It is also significant as an example of an early local chain restaurant established in Los Angeles. Please support this HCM nomination. Thank you, Carol Cetrone The Silver Lake Heritage Trust Silver Lake NC Urban Design and Preservation Committee