

REPORT TO PLANNING COMMISSION

To: Honorable Chairman and Members of the Planning Commission

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Subject: Historic Preservation Workshop

Recommendation

Provide direction to Staff if applicable.

Background

On May 1, 2012, there was a Planning Commission workshop regarding historic preservation. At that time, the Planning Commission discussed the need for a establishing a process for identifying historic properties within the City and establishing criteria for determining whether such properties should be preserved. The Commission was also concerned that any preservation regulations that are established allow for the demolition of structures where preservation is not practicable and demolition is the most appropriate action.

None of the current members of the Planning Commission was on the Commission at the time of the last workshop. Therefore, as a prelude to the planned December 4, 2018 public hearing on a draft Historic Preservation Ordinance, this Historic Preservation workshop was scheduled.

Discussion

The purpose of this workshop is to provide the Planning Commission an overview of historic preservation with an emphasis on Lake Elsinore.

Discussion topics will include:

- 1. What is historic preservation and why preserve?
- 2. Federal, State, and City Laws & Regulations.
- 3. Historic resource definitions and evaluation criteria.
- 4. Identified historic resources in Lake Elsinore.

An introduction to draft Historic Preservation Ordinance will also be provided.