

CITY OF VISALIA
HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Wednesday, October 13, 2021, at 5:30PM

CHAIR: Walter Deissler VICE-CHAIR: Tyler Davis

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:
Patty Kane, Michael Kreps, Marilyn Mitchell,
Jay Hohlbauch, Peggy Lambert

City of Visalia Administration Building
220 N. Santa Fe Street, Visalia CA

AGENDA

A. Citizen's Comments

B. HPAC Meeting Minutes

1. September 18, 2021
2. September 22, 2021

C. Project Review:

1. **HPAC No. 2021-14 (Continued Hearing):** A request by Catalina Daggett for a new fence and Variance to fence height standards for a single-family residence, located at 511 W. Goshen Avenue (APN: 093-174-002)
2. **HPAC No. 2021-17:** A request to remove and replace wall siding with stucco on a storage building, located at 120 W. School Avenue (APN: 094-344-006)
3. **HPAC No. 2021-18:** A request by Victor Perez for an addition to an office, located at 1304 W. Center Street (APN: 093-264-019)

D. Discussion Items

1. Historic Preservation Ordinance Update
 - a. City Council-HPAC Work Session
 - b. Building Advisory Committee Joint Meeting
2. Local Register of Historic Structures Update
3. City Council Redistricting Process 2021-2022
4. Historic District Signage Update
5. Committee and Staff Comments
6. Identification of Items for Future Agendas

E. Adjournment

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CITY OF VISALIA **HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Special Called Meeting
Saturday, September 18, 2021, at 8:00AM

CHAIR: Walter Deissler VICE-CHAIR: Tyler Davis

**Lambert absent. All
other members
present.**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:
Patty Kane, Michael Kreps, Marilyn Mitchell,
Jay Hohlbauch, Peggy Lambert

Members of the Public: Andy Chamberlain, Rick Mangini, Susan Mangini, Armando Murrieta,
Karen Ayala, Emmanuel Soto, Jeremy Jennings, Bradley Rutledge, Amy Frame, Brandon
Smith

STAFF: Cristobal Carrillo, Associate Planner

City of Visalia Community Development Building
315 E. Acequia Avenue, Visalia CA

Minutes of September 18, 2021, Historic Preservation Advisory Committee
Meeting

AGENDA

A. Citizen's Comments – None.

B. Discussion Items

1. Local Register of Historic Structures Update – Survey of Sites (8:00AM to 12:00PM)

Staff and the Committee welcomed volunteers to the Local Register Survey day. Areas to survey were assigned and materials handed out. All people in attendance were directed to return to the meeting room at approximately 11:30am to return materials and discuss when additional survey activities would be conducted.

When the meeting adjourned at 11:40am, members and volunteers discussed the days activities. Additional discussion regarding Local Survey materials provided to volunteers and HPAC members also occurred. At the conclusion of discussions, it was agreed that members and volunteers could take survey materials home to complete in their own time. A deadline of October 13, 2021 was set for people to return the results of their surveys to City staff.

C. Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 12:13pm.

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**All members present.
Hohlbauch arrived at
5:37pm.**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:
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Jay Hohlbauch, Peggy Lambert

City of Visalia Administration Building
220 N. Santa Fe Street, Visalia CA

AGENDA

A. Citizen's Comments – **None.**

B. HPAC Meeting Minutes

1. September 8, 2021

A motion was made by Kane, seconded by Kreps to approve the meeting minutes for September 8, 2021. The motion was approved 6-0 (Hohlbauch was not present at this time).

C. Project Review:

1. **HPAC No. 2021-16:** A request by Monica Quintana to construct a new fence for an existing single-family residence, located at 315 W. Race Avenue (APN: 094-353-002)

Staff presented its report and recommended approval of the proposal. Public comment in favor of the project was received from property owners Monica Quintana and Benjamin Quintana. Following discussion, a motion was made by Lambert, seconded by Kreps to approve the proposal. The motion passed 6-0 (Hohlbauch was not present at this time).

D. Discussion Items

Hohlbauch arrived at the meeting at 5:37pm.

1. Local Register of Historic Structures Update

Deissler reiterated his concern that archival survey sheets for the entire Historic District area were not provided to volunteers conducting the Local Register Survey. Discussion then occurred regarding holding a meeting to discuss the Local Register Survey with the general public. Staff stated they would consult with Community Development Director Paul Bernal.

2. Historic Preservation Ordinance Update

Staff provided an update on the progress of staffs report for the upcoming City Council-HPAC Work Session. Staff informed the Committee that the report would recommend that the HPAC consult with the Building Advisory Committee to discuss the proposed Ordinance changes. Additional discussion occurred about the various modifications that had been made to the HPAC's original recommendations, primarily removal of sections covering solar panels and Code Enforcement language.

3. Draft Letter to Property Owner – 532 E. Houston Avenue

The Committee discussed the letter to be sent out to the owner of a historic residence. No edits were made. Staff stated that the letter would be ready the next day to mail out, following obtainment of a signature from Davis.

4. Committee and Staff Comments

Staff discussed ongoing issues with the owner of 315 W. Murray to obtain top stones for a monument sign. Brief discussion also occurred over historic signage. An update was then provided concerning the Mooney House.

5. Identification of Items for Future Agendas – None.

E. Adjournment – A motion was made by Kreps, seconded by Mitchell to adjourn. The motion passed 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:43pm.

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 13, 2021

HPAC Item No. 2021-14

Applicant/

Owner: Catalina Daggett

Location: 511 W. Goshen Avenue (APN: 093-174-002)

Project: A request for a new fence and Variance to fence height standards for a single-family residence (Continued Hearing)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee (HPAC) approve the proposed fencing and recommend denial of the Variance request to the Visalia Planning Commission, as described in the findings and conditions of this report.

SITE DATA

The site is zoned R-1-5 (Single Family Residential, 5,000 sq. ft. minimum site area). The site is located within the Historic District and is listed on the Local Register of Historic Structures with a "Focus" classification.

The Historic Survey does not list a date of construction. The survey notes that the structure contains "Queen Anne/Eastlake" architectural elements.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The applicant proposes placement of an approximately five-foot tall chain link fence along the northern boundary of the project site, and along the northern 15 feet of the eastern property boundary (see Exhibit "A"). Plastic leaf material has also been placed on the front yard fencing, as shown in Exhibit "B". The remainder of the eastern and southern property boundaries will contain six-foot-tall chain link fencing. No changes are proposed to the fencing on the western property boundary. Per the site plan in Exhibit "A", swinging gates will also be placed to allow for vehicle and pedestrian access onto the site. The Variance is requested to allow five-foot-tall fencing within the 15 ft. front yard setback area. The applicant states that the fencing is needed for security purposes.

All fencing currently exists onsite (see Exhibit "B"). No permits have been issued at this time for placement of the fencing on the property.

PROJECT HISTORY

The unpermitted fencing was first discovered by Neighborhood Preservation staff in May 2021. Subsequently on May 26, 2021, the applicant submitted a request to allow the chain link fencing to remain onsite. The request was denied by a vote of 6-0 due to its incompatibility with the residence and Historic District. A revised fencing proposal for wood picket fencing was submitted by the applicant on August 11, 2021. The item was continued to August 25, 2021, at the request of the applicant representative to allow for reconsideration of

the chain link fence proposal. At the August 25, 2021, meeting the HPAC again continued the item again, this time to a future unspecified date, to allow the HPAC to receive guidance on fencing reviews from the City Council during a previously scheduled Work Session.

CITY COUNCIL-HPAC WORK SESSSION

A Work Session between the Visalia City Council and Historic Preservation Advisory Committee was held October 4, 2021, to discuss proposed changes to the Historic Preservation Ordinance. Changes to how fencing proposals are reviewed was discussed at this meeting. During discussion, a majority of the Council indicated support for changes to the Ordinance that would provide specific standards for evaluation of fencing, to include listings of appropriate material types. The Council indicated that chain link should be included as an acceptable fencing material. Note that the Council directed the HPAC to consult with the Building Advisory Committee and report back to the Council concerning Ordinance changes. Fencing language within the Historic Preservation Ordinance has not been officially changed at this time.

DISCUSSION

Development Standards

Per the requirements of the R-1-5 Zone, fencing within the 15-foot front yard setback shall be no taller than three feet if solid (ex. typical redwood fencing), or four feet if “50% open” (ex. chain link, picket, or wrought iron fencing). Fencing outside of the front yard setback can be as tall as seven feet, regardless of the material. The six-foot-tall fencing proposed along the eastern boundary outside the 15-foot front yard setback complies with this standard. However, the fencing within the front yard setback on both the eastern and northern property boundaries is one foot taller than permitted in R-1-5 Zone. The front yard fencing would need to be reduced to four feet in height for the fence to be permissible. Staff recommends inclusion of Condition of Approval No. 2.

Per City mapping systems, it appears that the fencing along the northern boundary is located within the city right-of-way. Fencing along the northern boundary would need to be relocated approximately one and a half feet south to not encroach into the right-of-way. Staff recommends inclusion of Condition of Approval No. 3 requiring the applicant to either relocate the fence so that it does not encroach into the City right-of-way or enter into a license agreement with the City of Visalia to allow encroachment until such time as right of way work requires removal.

Architectural Compatibility

Section 17.56.100 of the Historic Preservation Ordinance provides the HPAC with criteria with which to evaluate exterior alterations to sites within the Historic District. The section notes that for “*Walls of Continuity, physical ingredients such as brick walls, wrought iron fences, and evergreen landscape masses should be used to form continuous cohesive walls of enclosure along the street.*” Guidance provided by the City Council at the October 4, 2021; City Council-HPAC Work Session indicated that chain link material should be considered as an acceptable wall of continuity. The fencing is not considered compatible with the Queen Anne/Eastlake architecture of the residence. However, chain link fencing can be found throughout areas of the Historic District. Given the above, the proposed chain link fencing is considered acceptable, and compatible with other properties along the streetscape and Historic District.

Variance

As noted previously, per the requirements of the R-1-5 Zone, chain link fencing located within the 15-foot front yard setback shall be no taller than four feet. However, the applicant

proposed five-foot-tall chain link fencing within the front yard setback. As a result, the applicant will request a Variance to the height requirement for fencing within the front yard setback of a site in the R-1-5 Zone. A request for a Variance will require approval from the Visalia Planning Commission, based on the following findings:

1. That strict or literal interpretation and enforcement of the specified regulation would result in practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship inconsistent with the objectives of the zoning ordinance;
2. That there are exceptional or extraordinary circumstances or conditions applicable to the property involved or to the intended use of the property which do not apply generally to other properties classified in the same zone;
3. That strict or literal interpretation and enforcement of the specified regulation would deprive the applicant of privileges enjoyed by the owners of other properties classified in the same zone;
4. That the granting of the variance will not constitute a grant of special privilege inconsistent with the limitations on other properties classified in the same zone;
5. That the granting of the variance will not be detrimental to the public health, safety, or welfare, or materially injurious to properties or improvements in the vicinity.

Since the structure is within the Historic District and on the Local Register, the HPAC must provide a recommendation to the Planning Commission for the Variance request. Staff recommends that the HPAC recommend denial of the Variance request based on incompatibility with the required Variance findings listed above. Specifically, there is no extraordinary circumstance applicable to the site that would deprive the owner of privileges if the fence height regulation were enforced. A fence with a height of four feet would still function as a deterrent to unauthorized entry. Approval of the five-foot fence height would also be considered materially injurious to properties within the vicinity, as most properties in the area do not contain fencing or have fencing that meets height standards. Approval of the Variance would create a visual height inconsistency that would be readily apparent in the immediate block surrounding the project site.

Note that the Planning Commission is not required to abide by the recommendation of the HPAC.

FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS

For HPAC Item No. 2021-14 staff recommends that the Committee approve the fence request subject to conditions listed below, and recommend to the Planning Commission denial of the Variance request, based upon the following:

1. That the building is listed on the Local Register of Historic Structures with a “Focus” classification and is within the Historic District.
2. That the proposed fencing is consistent with residential uses in the Historic District.
3. That the proposed fencing is consistent with the Historic Preservation Ordinance and Historic Preservation Element.
4. That the proposed fencing design will not be injurious to the character of the Historic District.
5. That the Variance for a five-foot-tall chain link fence within the front yard setback of a property in the R-1-5 Zone is not consistent with the Historic Preservation Element and Ordinance and does not meet the required findings for a Variance as listed within Visalia Municipal Code Section 17.42.090.

And subject to the following conditions:

1. That the site be developed consistent with the site plan in Exhibit "A" and elevations in Exhibit "B" except as indicated in the conditions below.
2. That the applicant shall either lower the height of the fence located in the 15-foot front yard setback to four feet or obtain approval of a Variance to allow the five-foot height.
3. That the applicant shall relocate the fence so that it does not encroach into City of Visalia right-of-way or enter into a license agreement with the City of Visalia to allow encroachment. If the fence is to be moved, the relocation shall occur prior to finalization of the Building Permit. If a license agreement is entered into between the applicant and City of Visalia, the agreement shall be executed and recorded with the Tulare County Recorder prior to issuance of a Building Permit for the project.
4. That the project undergoes the appropriate City permitting process for placement of a fence on the project site.
5. That any other exterior alterations to the site shall be brought before this Committee for review and approval prior to the issuance of any Building Permits and/or their installation or construction.
6. That all other City codes, ordinances, standards, and regulations shall be met.

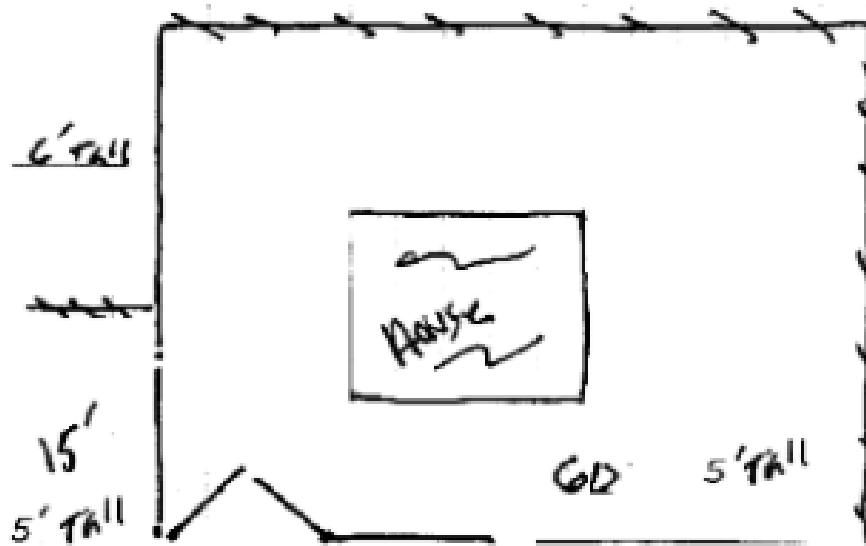
ATTACHMENTS

- Exhibit "A" – Site Plan
- Exhibit "B" – Existing Chain Link Fencing
- Aerial Photo
- Historic District and Local Register Map

APPEAL INFORMATION

According to the City of Visalia Zoning Ordinance Section 17.56.060, an appeal to the City Council may be submitted within ten days following the date of a decision by the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee (HPAC). An appeal shall be in writing and shall be filed with the City Clerk at 220 N. Santa Fe Street. The appeal shall specify errors or abuses of discretion by the HPAC, or decisions not supported by the evidence in the record. The appeal form can be found on the city's website www.visalia.city or from the City Clerk.

EXHIBIT "A"



West Goshen Avenue

Fence Style Woven Metal Link Height 6' 5' Posts at 8' centers

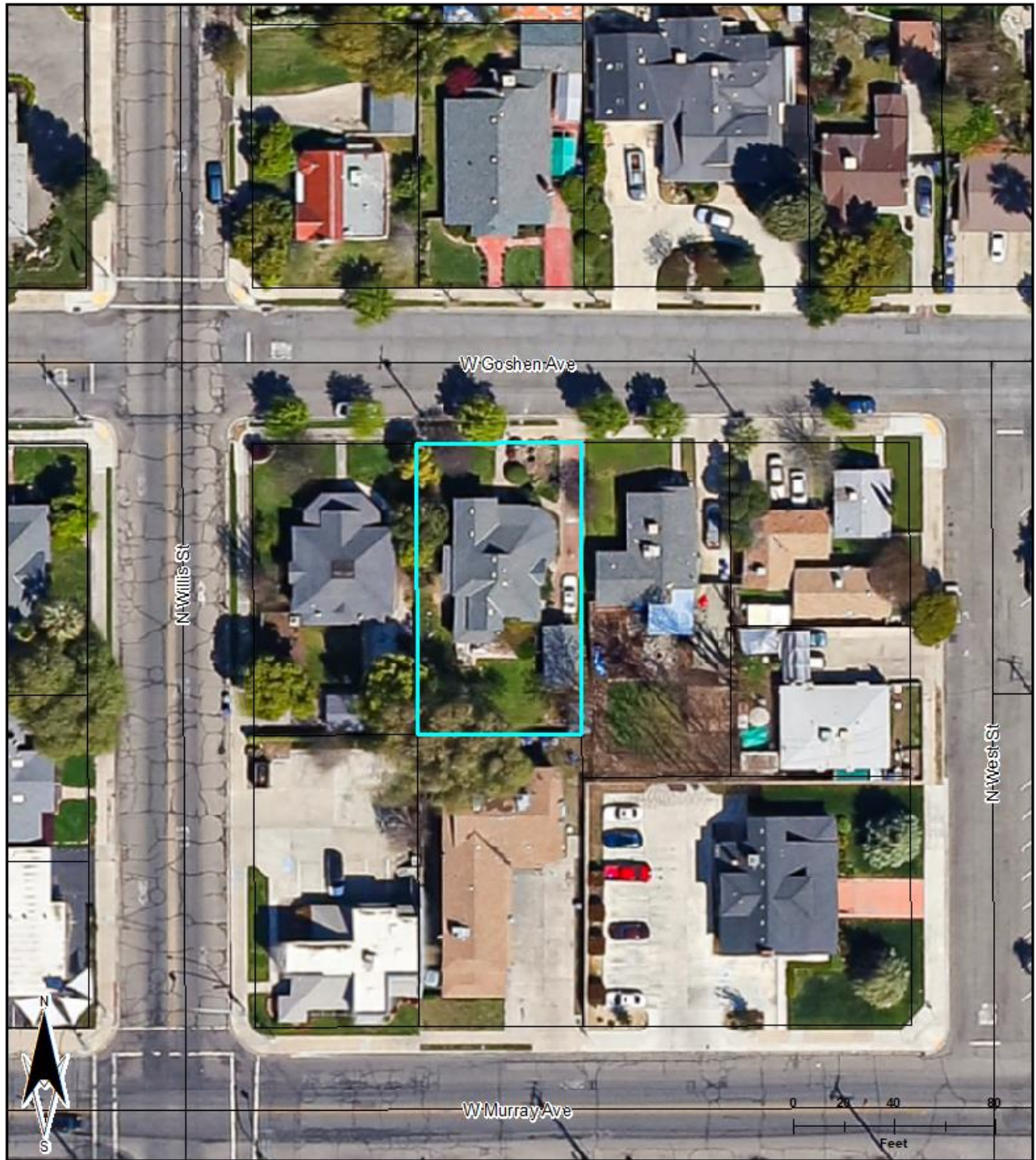
Total estimated footage 125' of 6' tall Gates 1 x 5' Drive 1 x 4' Walk gate
75' of 5' tall

EXHIBIT "B"










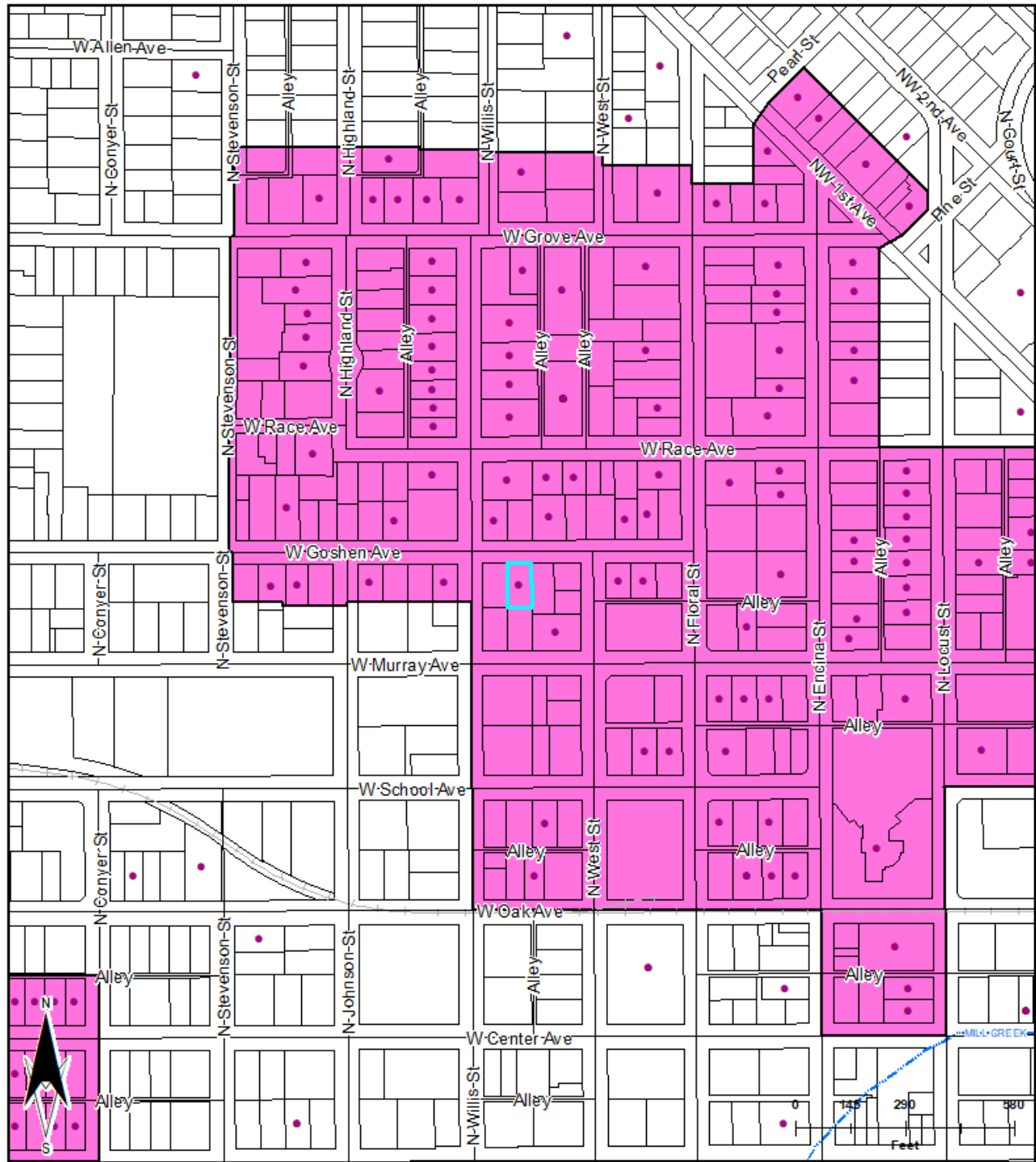
HPAC Item No. 2021-14 – New Fence and Variance



HPAC No.
2021-14
 Aerial Map

Legend

-  City Limits
-  Streets
-  Railroad
-  Waterways
-  Parcels



HPAC No. 2021-14

Historic District and Local Register Map

Legend

- City Limits
- Streets
- Railroad
- Waterways
- Parcels
- Local Registry
- Historical District

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 13, 2021

HPAC Item No. 2021-17

Applicant: Steve Cummings

Owner: Pine Manor Recovery Home Guild Inc.

Location: 120 W. School Avenue (APN: 094-344-006)

Project: A request to remove and replace wall siding with stucco on a storage building.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee (HPAC) approve HPAC Item No. 2021-17 as modified by staff in the findings and conditions of this report.

SITE DATA

The site is zoned D-MU (Downtown Mixed Use). The site is located within the Historic District and is listed on the Local Register of Historic Structures with a "Background" classification. The building contains "Colonial Revival" architectural elements.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The applicant proposes stuccoing a single wall of an existing storage building located on the northeast corner of a site containing the Pine Recovery Center (see Exhibit "A"). Stucco work will involve the removal of siding, two square windows, and replacement of a vent on the building exterior (see Exhibits "B" and "C"). The applicant proposes the work because the siding is cracking and so the wall of the storage building will match with the other stuccoed walls. Per the applicant removal of the windows is proposed to prevent the building from being broken into. The vent will be replaced with a smaller vent, though it is unknown whether similar bordering will be returned.

As shown in Exhibit "C", the work has already been conducted without HPAC review or issuance of a Building Permit. Neighborhood Preservation staff noted the work and issued a Stop Work order prior to work completion.

DISCUSSION

Development Standards

Per Historic Preservation Ordinance Section 17.56.050.C.7.1, replacement of siding is exempt from HPAC review if conducted with like materials. Since the applicant proposes a change in materials from siding to stucco, this proposal is subject to HPAC review. Furthermore, removal of windows and vent features trigger HPAC review as it is considered a significant exterior alteration.

The building footprint will not be altered as a result of the proposal. As such, the project complies with development standards for the D-MU Zone.

Architectural Compatibility

Historic Preservation Ordinance Section 17.56.110 (Local Register Structures) notes that removal or alteration of any historic material or distinctive architectural features should be avoided whenever possible. As such, removal of stucco and windows, and alteration of the vent is not supported by the Ordinance. The work removes siding which provided the building with higher architectural value, and increased compatibility with the main structure, which contains similar siding on the western exterior. Staff recommends that the HPAC consider Condition No. 1 requiring the applicant to reinstall the original siding or siding similar in appearance to the western exterior of the storage building.

Staff acknowledges that the project site is in the downtown area and is subject to a higher rate of pedestrian activity. Per the applicant, the windows were previously broken and were used to enter into the storage building. However, the windows also contribute aesthetically to the architectural unity of the entire site, as the main structure contains similar sized windows with broad borders. Given the above, staff recommends the HPAC consider Condition No. 2 requiring placement of faux windows, restoring the appearance of the original, but removing the ability of trespassers from entering.

Lastly, the staff recommends via Condition No. 3 that the new vent contain bordering similar to the original vent and the windows on the main structure. This will again help to restore compatibility of the storage building with the main structure.

FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS

Staff recommends that the Committee approve HPAC No. 2021-06 as modified by staff based upon the following findings:

1. That the residence is listed on the Local Register of Historic Structures and is within the Historic District.
2. That the wood shingle roofing material on the residence constitutes a distinctive architectural feature, whose removal should be avoided.
3. That the proposed change to the roofing material for the residence is not consistent with the Historic Preservation Ordinance and the purposes and intent of the Historic Preservation Element.
4. That replacement of the existing wood shingle roofing material with comp shingles would be injurious to the historic integrity and aesthetic of the residence and "Focus" classification.
5. That reuse of the original wood shingles, or replacement with wood shingles similar in appearance to the original materials, will preserve the historic architecture of the residence and will be consistent with the Historic Preservation Ordinance and Element.

And subject to the following conditions:

1. That the siding on the western exterior of the storage building identified in Exhibit "A" be restored using original materials or materials similar in appearance to the original siding as shown in Exhibit "B".
2. That the applicant places faux windows on the western exterior of the storage building, restoring the appearance of the original windows as shown in Exhibit "B".
3. That the new vent contains bordering similar in appearance to the original vent, as shown in Exhibit "B".
4. That the applicant shall obtain a Building Permit for all building work conducted onsite.

5. That any other exterior alterations to the structures shall be brought before this Committee for review and approval prior to the issuance of any Building Permits and/or their installation or construction.
6. That all other City codes, ordinances, standards, and regulations shall be met.

ATTACHMENTS

- Exhibit “A” – Site Plan
- Exhibit “B” – Elevations (Main Building, Unaltered Accessory Structures)
- Exhibit “C” – Elevations (Existing Accessory Structure)
- Aerial Photo
- Historic District and Local Register Map

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EXHIBIT "A"

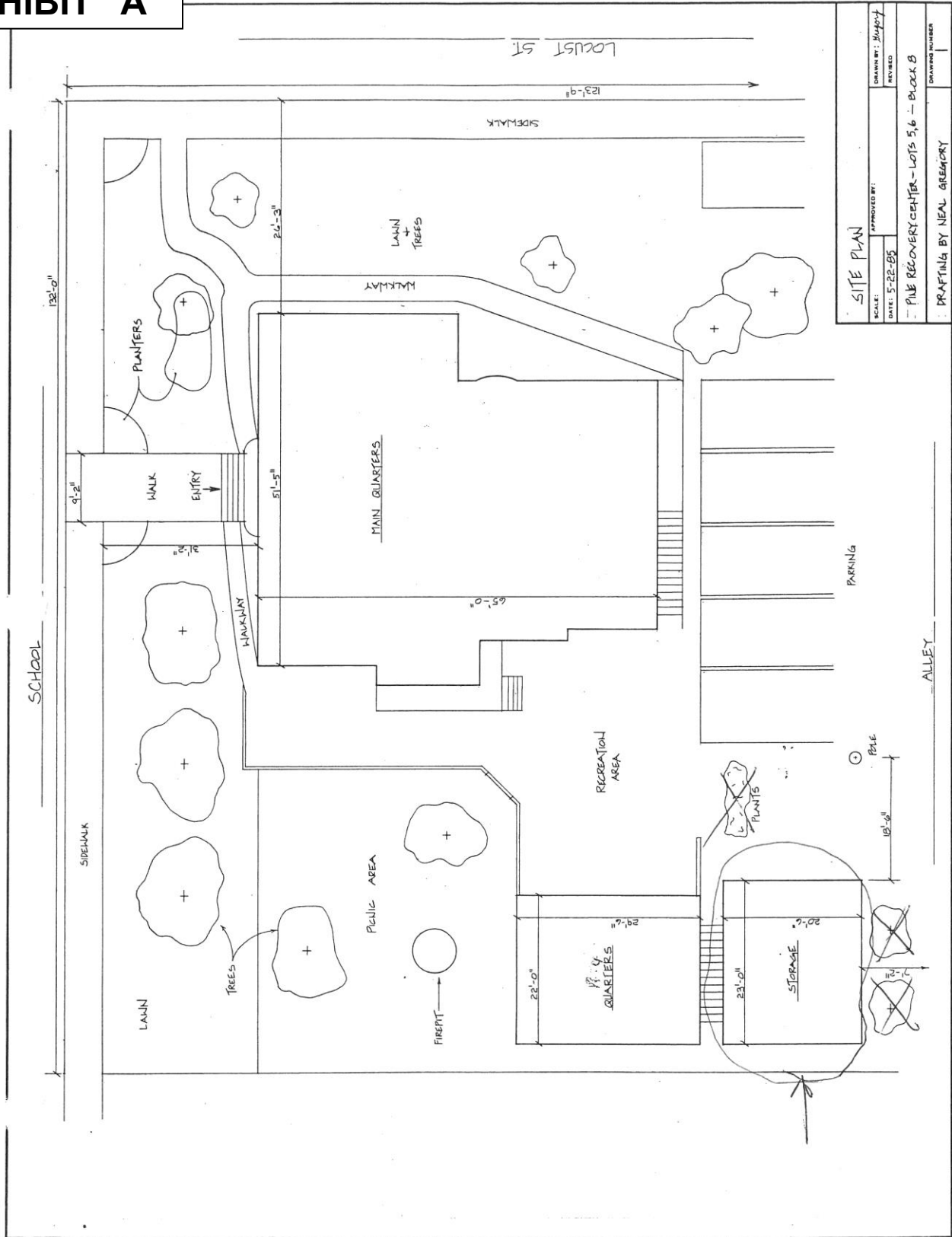


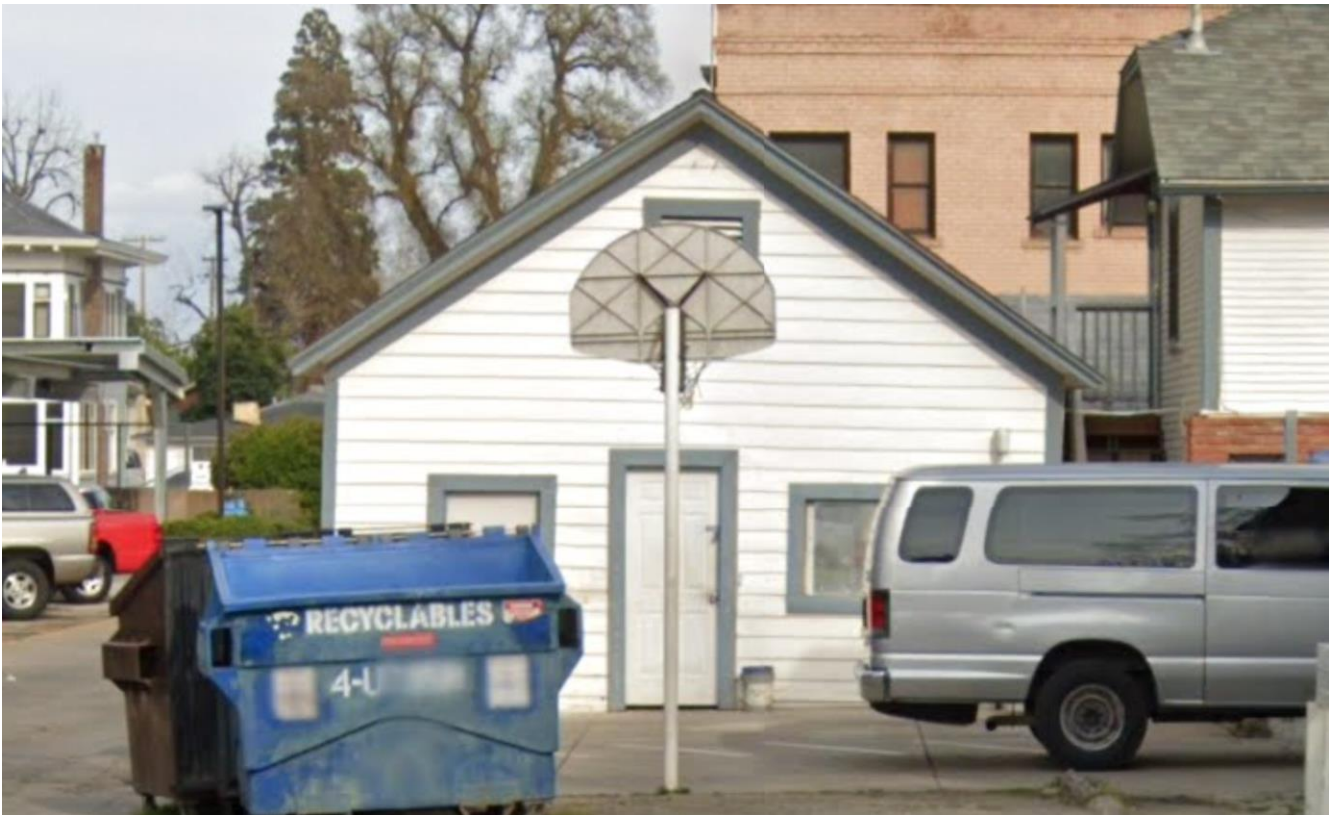
EXHIBIT "B"



HPAC Item No. 2021-17 – Stucco Wall



HPAC Item No. 2021-17 – Stucco Wall



HPAC Item No. 2021-17 – Stucco Wall

EXHIBIT "C"



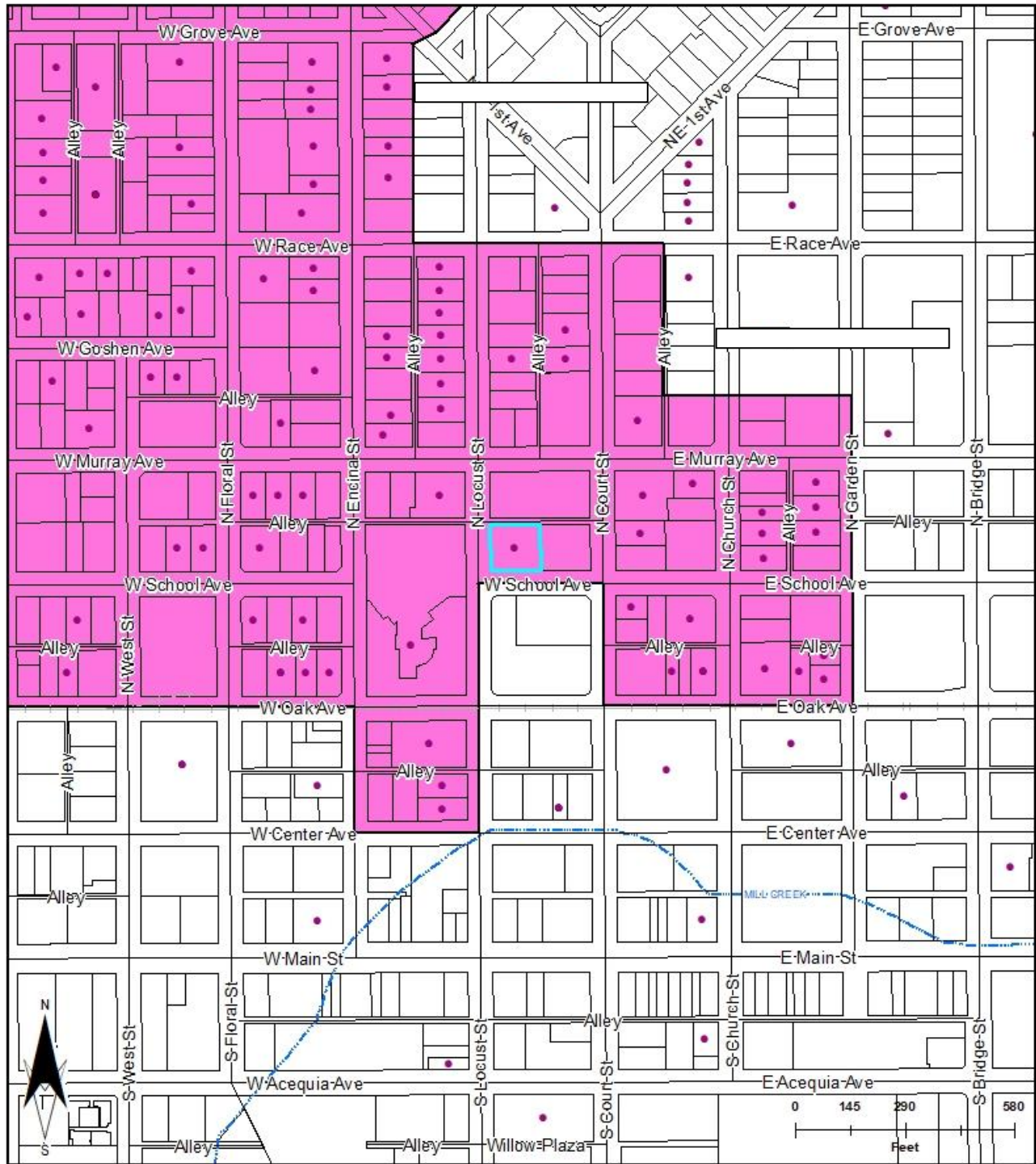
HPAC Item No. 2021-17 – Stucco Wall



120 W. School Avenue








Legend

- City Limits
- Streets
- Railroad
- Waterways
- Parcels



Historic District & Local Register Map

Legend

-  City Limits
-  Streets
-  Railroad
-  Waterways
-  Parcels
-  Local Registry
-  Historic District

City of Visalia

Memo



To: Historic Preservation Advisory Committee
From: Cristobal Carrillo, Associate Planner (559) 713-4443
Date: October 13, 2021
Re: Removal of HPAC No. 2021-18 (Perez) from the October 13, 2021 Historic Preservation Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda.

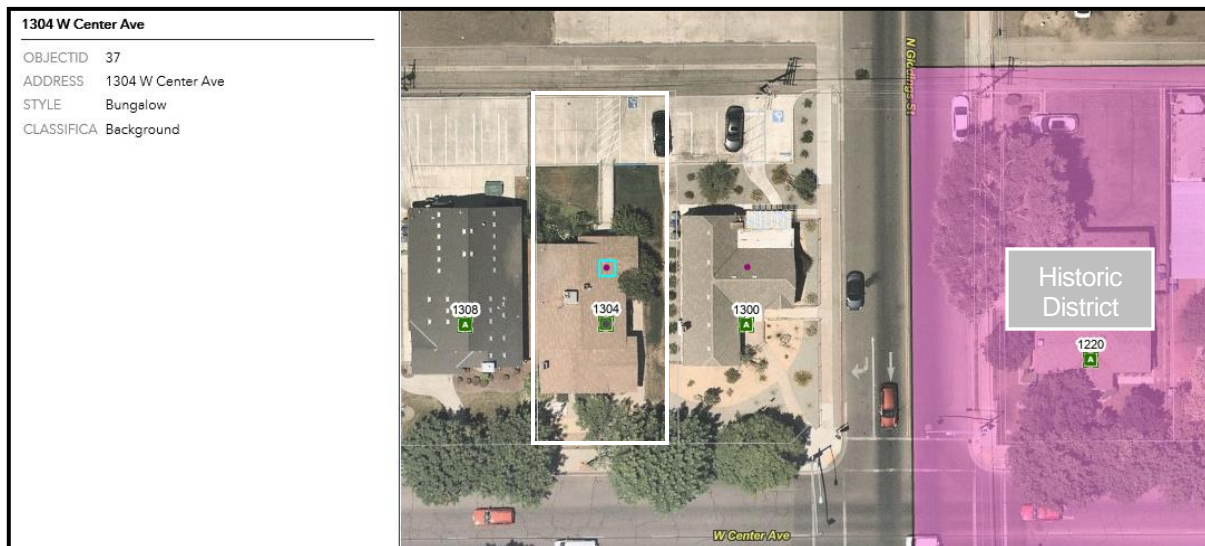
Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee (HPAC) accept staff's memo regarding the removal of HPAC No. 2021-18 from the October 13, 2021 HPAC meeting agenda. Due to the project sites classification as a "Background" structure on the Local Register, and location outside the Historic District, a request for an addition is not subject to HPAC review.

Discussion

In October 2021 a complete application was submitted by project representative Bruce Buyuklian on behalf of property owner Victor Perez for the addition of approximately 500 sq. ft. of office/reception/storage space to an existing office building at 1304 W. Center Avenue. The item was placed on the HPAC meeting agenda for October 13, 2021. The agenda was subsequently published on the City Website and posted at the meeting location on October 8, 2021. After publication of the notice, staff discovered that the project is located outside the boundaries of the Historic District and listed on the Local Register with a "Background" classification.

Per Section 17.56.050.C.3 of the Historic Preservation Ordinance, *"It shall be the duty of the historic preservation advisory committee to review all applications for the construction or exterior alteration or enlargement of structures within the historic district or for structures located outside the historic district and listed as "exceptional" or "focus" structures on the local register."* Per City records, the project site is located just west of the Historic District, the western boundary of which terminates at North Giddings Street. The Local Register lists the building onsite as a "Background" building exhibiting Bungalow architecture. As such, the property is only subject to HPAC review if the building is proposed for demolition. Since the Applicant has already completed Site Plan Review processes, they can now apply for a Building Permit for the addition.



City of Visalia Redistricting Process

Every ten years, local governments use new census data to redraw their district lines to reflect how local populations have changed. Assembly Bill 849 (2019) requires cities and counties to engage communities in the redistricting process.

What is redistricting?

Every ten years, districts must be redrawn so that each district is substantially equal in population. This process, called redistricting, is important in ensuring that each city councilmember represents about the same number of constituents. In Visalia, the City Council is responsible for drawing council districts. Redistricting is done using U.S. Census data and all district lines must be reviewed to meet strict requirements for population equality, voting rights protections, and in accordance with the California FAIR MAPS Act.

Why does redistricting matter to me?

Redistricting determines which neighborhoods and communities are grouped together into a district for purposes of electing a councilmember. The City Council will seek input in selecting the next district map for our City. You have an opportunity to share with the City Council how you think district boundaries should be drawn to best represent your community. You can contact City of Visalia Communications Manager Allison Mackey at (559) 713-4535 or allison.mackey@visalia.city to find out more about the process.

What do the existing council districts look like?

You can find a map of the City's current council districts at www.visalia.city.

What criteria will our City Council use when drawing district lines?

To the extent practicable, district lines will be adopted using the following criteria: (1) geographically contiguous districts (each city council district should share a common border with the next), (2) the geographic integrity of local neighborhoods or communities shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division, (3) geographic integrity of a city shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division, (4) easily identifiable boundaries that follow natural or artificial barriers (rivers, streets, highways, rail lines, etc.), and (5) lines shall be drawn to encourage geographic compactness. In addition, boundaries shall not be drawn for purposes of favoring or discriminating against a political party.

How will our City Council notify the public about redistricting?

All information is posted online at www.visalia.city/drawvisalia. Here you can find mapping tools, the meeting schedule, FAQs and more. Information is hosted on our social media channels @cityofvisalia and we will continue to post notices on hearings and workshops and post maps online before adoption.

How can I get involved?

Join us at our upcoming mapping workshops as we receive public input on where district lines should be drawn. Mapping Workshops will be held on Wednesday, 10/13/21 and Saturday, 10/23/21. Draft Map Hearings will be held on Monday, 12/6/21 and Monday, 1/10/22. You can also submit public comments, including suggested draft maps, by emailing communityfeedback@visalia.city.

Where can I find out more?

The City maintains a webpage on the city's redistricting process at www.visalia.city/drawvisalia.

City of Visalia Redistricting Mapping Workshops

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We want to know Visalia, what do you consider the boundaries of your neighborhood?

Tell us and share your thoughts on the City Council redistricting process at one of our upcoming mapping workshops.

MAPPING WORKSHOP #1
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 13 @ 6 P.M.
WHITENDALE COMMUNITY CENTER

MAPPING WORKSHOP #2
SATURDAY, OCT. 23 @ 10 A.M.
ANTHONY COMMUNITY CENTER

Spanish language interpretation will be provided, all ages welcome. Questions? Call City of Visalia Administration at (559) 713-4535.

www.visalia.city/drawvisalia



Talleres de mapeo de redistribución de distritos de la ciudad de Visalia

Queremos saber Visalia, ¿que consideras que son los límites de su vecindad?

Cuéntenos y comparta sus ideas sobre el proceso de redistribución de distritos del Consejo Municipal en uno de nuestros próximos talleres de mapeo.

TALLER DE MAPEO # 1
MIÉRCOLES OCT. 13 A LAS 6 P.M.
CENTRO COMUNITARIO WHITENDALE

TALLER DE MAPEO # 2
SÁBADO OCT. 23 A LAS 10 A.M.
CENTRO COMUNITARIO ANTHONY

Habrá intérprete de español, todas las edades son bienvenidas. ¿Preguntas? Llame a la Administración de la Ciudad de Visalia al (559) 713-4535.

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