

CITY OF VISALIA
HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Special Called Meeting
Wednesday, March 30, 2022, at 5:30PM

CHAIR: Walter Deissler VICE-CHAIR: Tyler Davis

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

City of Visalia City Council Chambers
707 W. Acequia Avenue, Visalia CA

AGENDA

A. Citizen's Comments

B. Discussion Items

1. Public Outreach Meeting
 - a. Historic Preservation Ordinance Update
 - b. Local Register of Historic Structures Update

C. Adjournment

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Éste Aviso es para informarle que habra una audiencia para el público ante el Comité de Preservación Histórica de la Ciudad de Visalia. Para más información, o para dar comentario público respecto a esta solicitud, por favor llame Cristobal Carrillo, Associate Planner, al numero (559) 713-4443 o cristobal.carrillo@visalia.city.

Additional information about the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee may be found by contacting Cristobal Carrillo, Associate Planner at 559-713-4443, or emailing cristobal.carrillo@visalia.city.





City of Visalia Historic Preservation Advisory Committee



NOTICE OF PUBLIC OUTREACH MEETING

The City of Visalia Historic Preservation Advisory Committee (HPAC) will hold a public outreach meeting on **Wednesday March 30, 2022, at 5:30pm. The meeting will be held at the City Council Chambers, located at 707 West Acequia Avenue, in Visalia CA.** The HPAC and city staff will be present to share information and solicit public comment for two projects affecting properties located within the Historic District and/or on the Local Register of Historic Structures. The projects are listed below as follows:

1. An update to Visalia Municipal Code Chapter 17.56, the Historic Preservation District Ordinance. The ordinance update proposes revisions to:
 - HPAC reviews of structures on the Local Register, located outside the Historic District;
 - HPAC reviews of demolition requests;
 - HPAC reviews of fencing requests;
 - Limitations on paving within front yard setback areas;
 - Changes to the frequency of Local Register surveys; and
 - Addition of definitions for Local Register classifications;
2. A comprehensive update to the Local Register of Historic Structures. The project involves the surveying of properties on the Local Register, and reclassification or removal based on the condition and context of the structures on each site. (Note: Surveys of properties on the Local Register were completed in October 2021).

You are invited to attend the meeting, ask questions, and express your views on the projects listed above. Comments collected from the public will be incorporated into the projects and shared with the Visalia Planning Commission and Visalia City Council upon review.

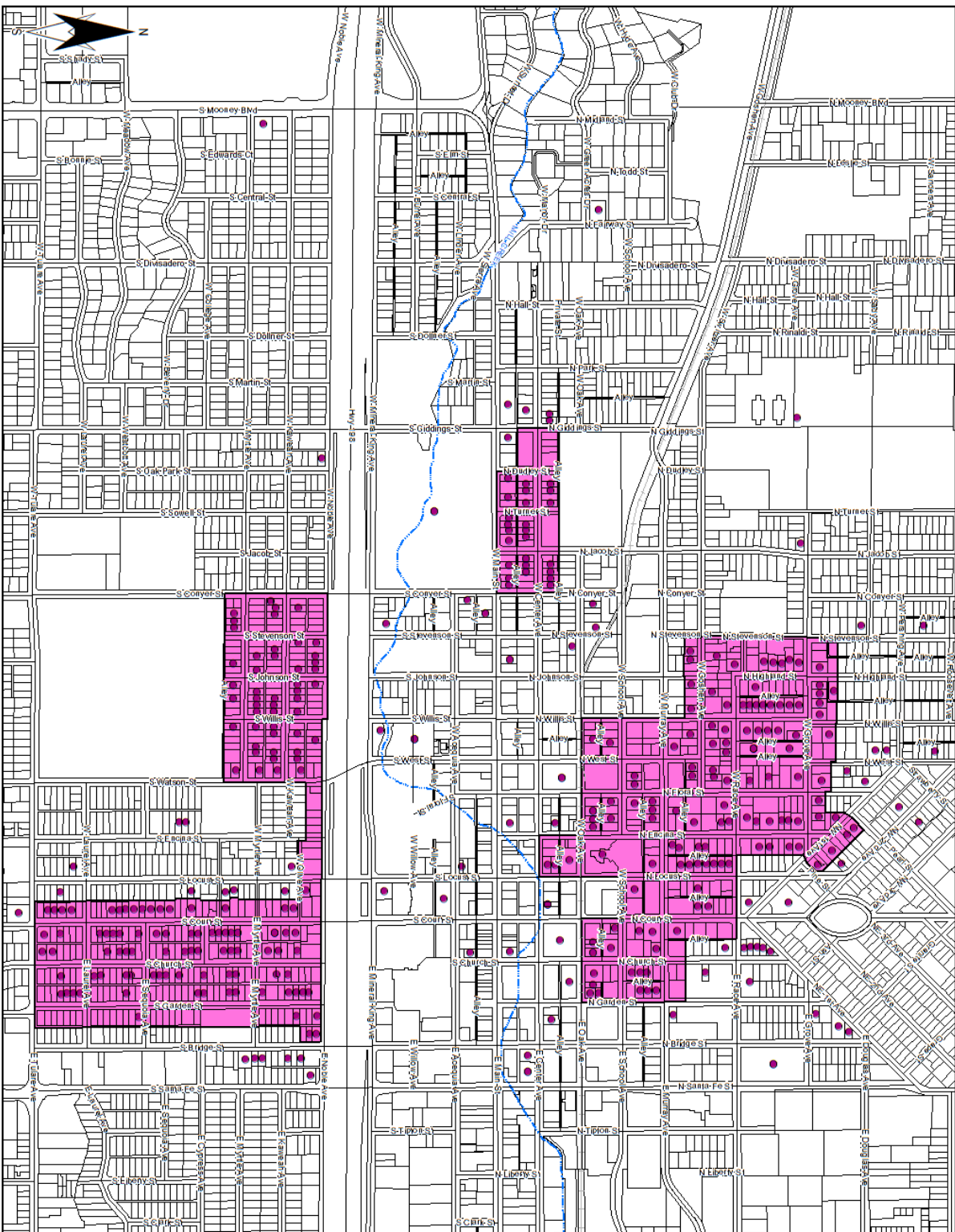
If you have any questions or would like more information prior to the meeting, please contact Associate Planner Cristobal Carrillo at (559) 713-4443 or cristobal.carrillo@visalia.city between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. You can also call the City of Visalia Planners Hotline at (559) 713-4359 for more information.

Thank you for being a steward to some of the most unique and architecturally significant structures in Tulare County. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting!








Paul Bernal,
Community Development Director

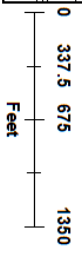
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**Map of the
Historic District/
Local Register of
Historic
Structures**

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



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March 30, 2022

Public Outreach Meeting



OVERVIEW

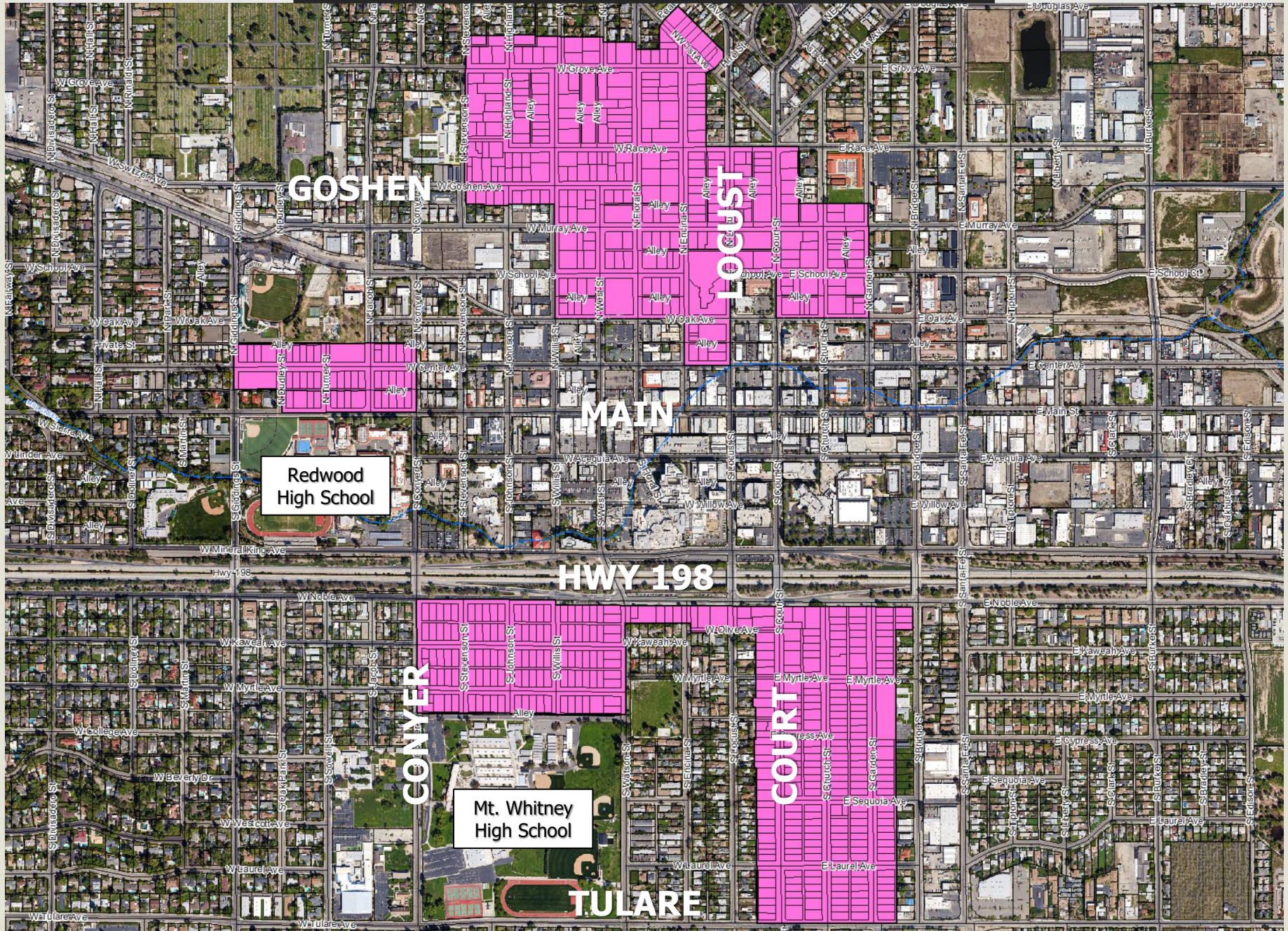
- Historic Preservation Ordinance.
- Areas of jurisdiction.
- Recommended changes to the Local Register of Historic Structures.
- Recommended changes to the Historic Preservation Ordinance.
- Questions and comments.



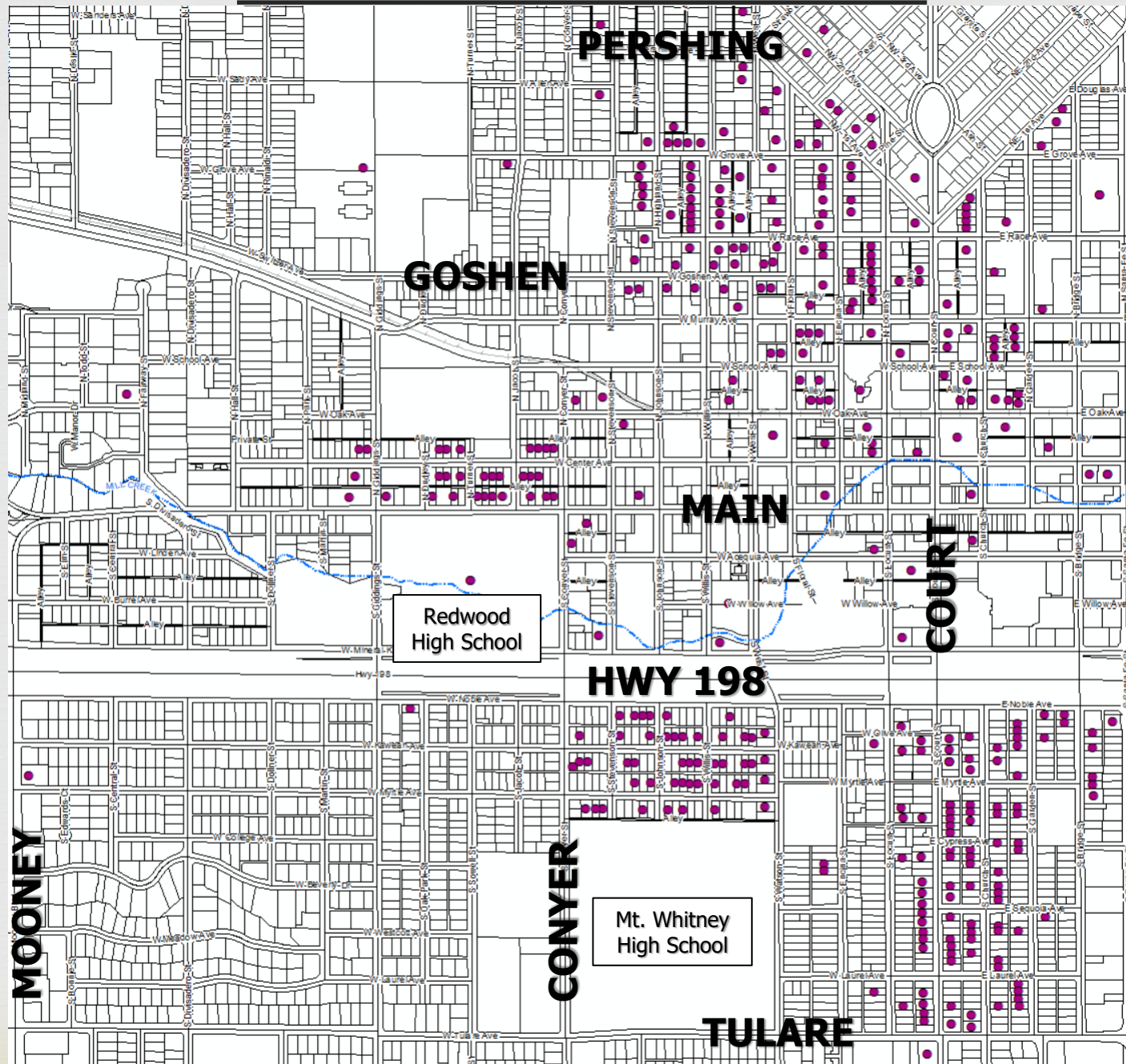
HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE

- Visalia Municipal Code Chapter 17.56.
- Historic Preservation Advisory Committee.
- Promotion of Visalia's cultural heritage through preservation of historic structures/sites.
- Accomplish primarily through:
 - Review of building/zoning actions;
 - Updates to the Local Register;
 - Nomination of sites to State/Federal Historical Registers.

HISTORIC DISTRICT




LOCAL REGISTER



LOCAL REGISTER CLASSIFICATIONS

- Exceptional:
 - Properties with preeminent historical significance, considered for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.
- Focus:
 - Properties having significant value, of good to excellent quality, considered for local recognition and protection.
- Background:
 - Properties that may not be historically significant/unique, but which contribute positively to the “visual fabric” of Visalia.

LOCAL REGISTER UPDATE

- Ordinance requires an annual review of the Local Register.
- Can involve site  visits, reclassifications, additions, and deletions to Local Register.
- Last update in 2013.
- Project began in 2021, sites visits conducted.
- Focus is on determining appropriate site classifications.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE UPDATE

- HPAC was requested to recommend Ordinance revisions.
- City Council Work Sessions 10/2021, 2/2022.
- Direction to pursue specific revisions, conduct public outreach.



HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE UPDATE

1. Update Ordinance so “Background” Local Register structures located outside the Historic District are subject to HPAC review.
2. Grant HPAC the ability to deny demolition requests for any property within the Historic District or Local Register.
3. Add definitions for Local Register classifications to the Ordinance.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE UPDATE

4. Add specific criteria for the evaluation of fencing proposals.



5. Limit the percentage of paved surfaces allowed within front yard areas.

6. Change the frequency of Local Register reviews.

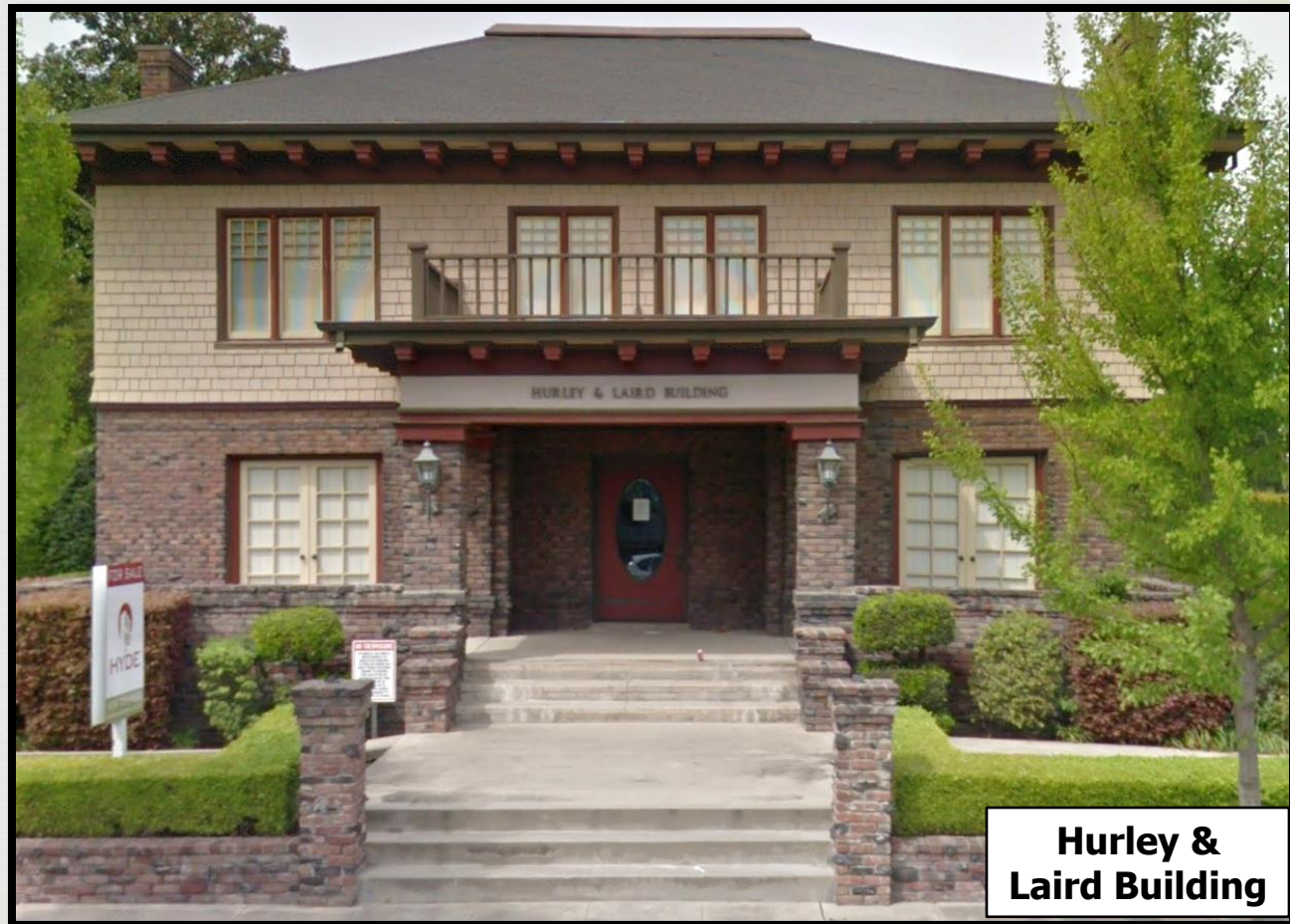


PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Both projects must be approved by the HPAC, Planning Commission, and City Council.



- All hearings will be noticed and open to the public.
- April to August, 2022.



CONTACT INFORMATION

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Historic Preservation Advisory Committee

2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month.

5:30pm, Visalia Administration Building

220 N. Santa Fe Street, Visalia CA