



TITLE 20 AMENDMENT – REMOVE SECTION 20.30.030 (HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND)

Community & Economic Development Department

Cultural Heritage Board
Agenda Item: #5
July 16, 2025

BACKGROUND

- 2013 – CC established Historic Preservation Fund
 - \$500,000 from the General Fund
 - \$100,000 from Marcy Library
 - \$70,000 from Farm House
- 45 projects issued grants
- Approx. \$134,449 Remaining

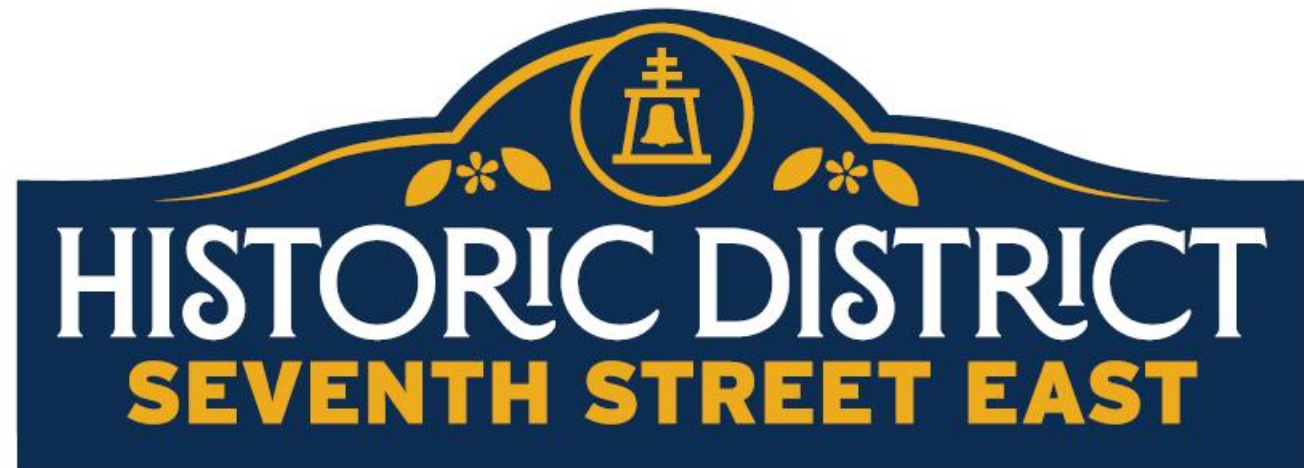


APPROVED FUND ALLOCATION

Project	Project Activities	Estimated Cost
Sign Programs	New Historic District Signs; Spanish Town Road ceremonial signs; Maintenance	\$75,0000
Landmark Plaques	Purchase and issuance of 18 pending plaques and funding for 10 years (2 plaques/year)	\$35,000
Historic District Survey	Completion of a historic district survey as part of a designation request	Remaining Balance ~\$24,449
Total HP Fund Allocations		\$134,449



HISTORIC DISTRICT SIGNS



LANDMARK PLAQUES



- Until 2018, 2/year issued
- 18 plaques to be issued
- Current Cost \$875
- Recommend funding 10 years (2/year)

HISTORIC DISTRICT SURVEY



- Increased interest a Mid-Century HD
- 10 previously identified, with Context Statements
- Survey to be completed as part of designation
- Survey Cost - \$25,000 - 30,000
- Recommend Remaining Balance ~\$24,449

TITLE 20 – AMENDMENT

Proposal:

- Remove 20.30.030 entirely

~~20.30.030 Historic Preservation Fund.~~

- ~~A. A Historic Preservation Fund Program is hereby established to provide funding for the conservation, preservation, restoration, and rehabilitation of cultural resources consistent with the purposes of this chapter.~~
- ~~B. The Historic Preservation Fund is hereby established to provide funds for Historic Preservation projects within the City of Riverside.~~
- ~~1. The funds shall be used solely for the conservation, preservation, restoration, and rehabilitation of historical resources as provided in this section.~~
 - ~~2. The Financial Administrator of the Historic Preservation Fund shall be the Community & Economic Development Director, or designee.~~
 - ~~3. All monies designated by the City of Riverside for this program shall be deposited in the fund, held and administered by the City's Finance Department. Separate accounts may be established within the fund according to origin or intended purpose.~~
 - ~~4. In addition to any public moneys appropriated expressly for the fund, the Program~~



STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT



Strategic Priority No. 2 – Community Well Being

Goal No. 2.3 - Strengthen neighborhood identities and improve community health and the physical environment through amenities and programs that foster an increased sense of community and enhanced feelings of pride and belonging citywide.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Cultural Heritage Board recommend that City Council:

1. **Determine** that Planning Case PR-2025-001821 is exempt from further California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to Sections 15308 (Actions to Protect Environment), 15060(c)(2) (No Physical Change), 15060(c)(3) (Not A Project), and 15061(b)(3) (General Rule), as the proposed amendment will cause no direct or indirect change to the environment, does not meet the definition of a Project under CEQA, and it can be seen with certainty that the proposed amendment will not have an effect on the environment;
2. **Approve** Planning Case PR-2025-001821 (Title 20 Text Amendment) as outlined in the staff report and summarized in the Findings Section of this report; and
3. **Introduce**, and subsequently **adopt**, an Ordinance amending Title 20 (Cultural Resources) of the Riverside Municipal Code.