

1 RESOLUTION NO.

2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE,  
3 CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE APPLICATION UNDER PLANNING CASE  
4 NUMBER P16-0383 DESIGNATING THE AMERICAN LEGION POST NO. 79  
5 CLUBHOUSE, ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER 207-082-017, AS CITY  
6 STRUCTURE OF MERIT NO. 1003.

7 WHEREAS, in Planning Case No. P16-0383, G.M. Enriquez, American Legion Post No. 79  
8 Finance Officer filed an application to designate the American Legion Post No. 79 Clubhouse,  
9 Assessor's Parcel Number 207-082-017 ("American Legion"), in the City of Riverside, California,  
10 as more particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto incorporated herein by reference, as a  
11 City of Riverside Structure of Merit; and

12 WHEREAS, on July 20, 2016, the Cultural Heritage Board of the City of Riverside  
13 conducted a duly noticed public hearing on said application and recommended the approval of the  
14 designation of a City of Riverside Structure of Merit for the American Legion; and

15 WHEREAS, all legal prerequisites to the adoption of this application have been met.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Riverside,  
17 California that based on substantial evidence presented to the Cultural Heritage Board during the  
18 above-referenced public hearing and thereafter to the City Council, including written and oral staff  
19 reports, together with public testimony pursuant to the provisions of Title 20 of the Riverside  
20 Municipal Code pertaining to the designation of a Structure of Merit, the City Council hereby finds  
21 that the American Legion, Assessor's Parcel Number 207-082-017, in the City of Riverside,  
22 California, Assessor's as more particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto incorporated  
23 herein by reference is a Structure of Merit eligible for designation under criteria set forth in the  
24 Riverside Municipal Code Sections 20.20.030 and 20.50.101 (U), and based on the following facts  
25 and findings:

26 **FINDINGS:** Criterion 1: Has a unique location or singular physical characteristics or is a view or  
27 vista representing an established and familiar visual feature of a neighborhood  
28 community or of the City.

**FACTS:** The clubhouse has a unique location within Fairmount Park, where the view from the  
building overlooks scenic Evans Lake, with its shoreline planted in rare Montezuma  
Bald Cypress Trees (City Landmark #61), the World War II Water Buffalo tank

poised to enter the lake in front of the clubhouse, and the bridges and boathouse along the distant shoreline. The view to the eclectic, stucco clad Tudor clubhouse is an established, familiar visual feature associated with the park.

**FINDINGS:** Criterion 3: Is connected with a business or use which was once common but is now rare.

**FACTS:** The clubhouse remains at the original location where not many communities still have physical and active posts. This American Legion Riverside Post No. 79 remains active today, 91 years after construction.

**FINDINGS:** Criterion 4: A Cultural Resource that could be eligible under Landmark Criteria no longer exhibiting a high level of integrity, however, retaining sufficient integrity to convey significance under one or more of the Landmark Criteria.

**FACTS:** The clubhouse retains sufficient integrity to convey significance under Landmark Criterion 1: Exemplifies or reflects special elements of the City's cultural, social, economic, political, aesthetic, engineering, architectural, or natural history. The American Legion Post No. 79 is a reminder of the role Riverside has played militarily and its relationship with its veteran community from World War I until today. As a hub for veterans' social and charitable events, where they acted in support of the disabled, widows, and orphans, the organization figured prominently in the community. Further, legionnaires contributed to the physical aesthetic fabric of the City through the development of plans and donation of land for the construction of the Riverside Municipal Auditorium and Soldiers Memorial.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT pursuant to Title 20 of the Riverside Municipal Code, the City Council hereby approves the above-referenced application and designates the American Legion Post No. 79 Clubhouse as City Structure of Merit No. 1003.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the proposed historic landmark designation is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15308 of the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (Title 14, California Code of Regulations, commencing with Section 15000) as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment, and said action is intended to preserve the historic character of the building and site.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Clerk of the City of Riverside shall cause a certified copy of this resolution to be recorded in the Office of the County Recorder of Riverside County, California.

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1 ADOPTED by the City Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

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4 WILLIAM R. BAILEY, III  
5 Mayor of the City of Riverside

6 ATTEST:

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8 \_\_\_\_\_  
9 COLLEEN J. NICOL  
10 City Clerk of the City of Riverside

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12 I, Colleen J. Nicol, City Clerk of the City of Riverside, California, hereby certify that the  
13 foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the City Council of said City at  
14 its meeting held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016, by the following vote, to wit:

15 Ayes:

16 Noes:

17 Absent:

18 Abstain:

19 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the  
20 City of Riverside, California, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

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23 COLLEEN J. NICOL  
24 City Clerk of the City of Riverside

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28 CA: 16-1207

**EXHIBIT "A"**  
**LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

Address: 2979 Dexter Drive  
A.P.N.: 207-082-017

That certain real property located in the City of Riverside, County of Riverside, State of California, described as follows:

That portion of Lot 3 of Amended Map of Indian Hill Tract as shown by map on file in Book 10, page 3 of Maps, Records of Riverside County, California, described as follows:

**COMMENCING** at the most northerly corner of said Lot 3;

THENCE South 53°37' East, along the northeasterly line of said Lot 3, a distance of 1515.65 feet;

THENCE South 41°40'30" West, a distance of 511.05 feet to the **POINT OF BEGINNING**, also being the most westerly corner of Lot 38 of Tract No. 3488, as shown by map on file in Book 58, pages 42 through 44 of Maps, Records of Riverside County, California;

THENCE South 33°53' East, along the southwest line of said Tract No. 3488 a distance of 239.7 feet, to the most southerly corner thereof;

THENCE South 58°05'30" West, a distance of 150 feet;

THENCE North 33°53' West, a distance of 195.91 feet to a point on the southeast line of said Tract No. 3488;

THENCE North 41°40'30" East, along said southeast line, a distance of 154.98 feet to the **POINT OF BEGINNING**.

This description was prepared by me or under my direction in conformance with the requirements of the Land Surveyors Act.

Curtis C. Stephens 8/19/16 Prep. (Signature)  
Curtis C. Stephens, L.S. 7519 Date



**SUBJECT: 2979 DEXTER DRIVE - HISTORICAL PROPERTY DESIGNATION**