



# Historic Resources Board

## Staff Report (ID # 13750)

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**Report Type:** Action Items **Meeting Date:** 1/27/2022

**Summary Title:** HRB Retreat

**Title:** Historic Resources Board Retreat: Topics Include Discussion of Work Plan Related to Existing Historic Resources Inventory and 1998-2000 Historic Survey

**From:** Jonathan Lait

### Recommendation

Staff and the HRB Chair recommend the following Historic Resources Board (HRB) agenda.

### Roundtable

Member introductions and statements of interest in Historic Preservation

### Inventory

1. Status of Local Inventory<sup>1</sup> properties
  - a. How many/which of the 511 properties demolished since 2012 update (and why)  
Note: 206 of these are category 3s & 4s outside Professorville/Ramona historic districts)
  - b. Which properties upgraded their category since 2012 (and why)

### Inventory Update Process

1. Review Local Inventory Nominations Process - PAMC Section 18.49.040
  - a. Owners contact staff, submit DPR, photos, owner signature page, fee
  - b. HRB meeting, Council Consent Item
2. Discuss Next Steps Including Potential for Submitting OHP Grant for Districts
3. Status of our National and California Eligible Properties (not on Local Inventory)
  - a. 165 NRHP Properties from 1998-2000 Historical Survey (minus # demolished)<sup>2</sup>
  - b. 16+ properties determined CRHR Eligible since December 2017 Comp Plan

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<sup>1</sup> Inventory Master List circa 2012: <https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/files/assets/public/planning-amp-development-services/historic-preservation/historic-inventory/city-historic-inventory-list.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> National Register Eligible Properties Chart 2022 Prepared by Chair Willis

## Revisit HRB Work Plan

1. 2021 Work Plan – Overview of results, metrics of community involvement/participation
2. 2022 Work Plan – Discuss (due April 2022 to Council) and Draft Goals for 2022
  - a. Update Inventory<sup>3</sup> – Process (today’s discussion)
  - b. Mills Act - schedule for February agenda
  - c. Outreach - Plan for Preservation Week activities (Schedule for March Agenda)
  - d. Development of New Historic Districts (June Agenda)
  - e. System to store Information on lost resources (Schedule for July Agenda)

## City’s Historic Preservation Webpages<sup>4</sup>

DPR forms (black and white) vs PAST website’s color photos/content

## Background Information and Attachments

- September 9, 2021 report link that contains links to important historic preservation pages: <https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/files/assets/public/agendas-minutes-reports/agendas-minutes/historic-resources-board/2021/hrb-9.9-retreat.pdf> for informational documents to explain the 1998-2000 survey (attachments include Summary of Findings/Executive Summary from Historic Survey Report 1998-2000)
- Chart of NRHP Eligible Properties 2022 prepared by Chair Willis (Attachment A)
- Mapping Team draft document prepared by Vice Chair Pease (Attachment B)

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## Attachments:

- Attachment A: National Register Eligible Properties Chart 2022 Prepared by Chair Willis for January 27, 2022 (DOCX)
- Attachment B: Team One Map Overlays prepared by Vice Chair Pease for January 27, 2022 HRB (DOCX)

<sup>3</sup> Council Direction 12-6-21: Council requested staff to return to Council with the information necessary to update the city’s inventory

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/Departments/Planning-Development-Services/Historic-Preservation>

<sup>5</sup> Emails may be sent directly to the HRB using the following address: [hrb@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:hrb@cityofpaloalto.org)

**ATTACHMENT A: PROPERTIES DETERMINED ELIGIBLE FOR NATIONAL REGISTER IN 1998-2000 SURVEY**  
 EVALUATION TABLE PREPARED BY CHAIR WILLIS FOR JANUARY 27, 2022 HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD MEETING

LEGEND:

- ✓ VERIFIED
- ADDED TO LIST
- X NO LONGER APPEARS ELIGIBLE, DEMOLISHED
- ? DID NOT LOCATE ADDRESS
- ?? QUESTIONABLE ELIGIBILITY
- A ALISA WILL SURVEY
- CP CHRISTIAN WILL SURVEY

updated January 18, 2022

	ADDRESS	STREET	NRHP ELIGIBLE UNDER CRITERIA			ARCHITECT	OWNER	YEAR	NOTES
			A	B	C				
	471	Addison Ave			x				
✓	201	Alma St	x		x		City	1910	Water tank
	1101	Alma St			x				
✓	Rail Road Bridge	Alma St over San Francisquito Creek	x		x		Union Pacific RR	1902	Rail Road Bridge
	2230	Amherst	x		x				
	695	Arastradero Rd	x		x			1904	Cemetery
	2264	Bowdoin St			x				
✓	? 162	Bryant St	x		x			1908	<i>Added daylight basement</i>
	541 - 549	Bryant St	x		x				Commercial, lingerie, ramen
	635	Bryant St	x		x				
✓	730	Bryant St	x		x		Jana	1903	
x	802 - 804	Bryant St	x		x			1904/1898?	
x	806	Bryant St	x		x				
x	840	Bryant St	x					1906	
x	846	Bryant St	x		x			1904	
	2160	Bryant St			x	Lawrence Kruse		1936	Cape Cod & Georgian
	336	Byron			x				
	518	Byron	x		x				

	ADDRESS	STREET	NRHP ELIGIBLE UNDER CRITERIA			ARCHITECT	OWNER	YEAR	NOTES
			A	B	C				
	2277	Byron			x				
	321	California Ave	x		x		Safeway	1938	"Super Drive In Market" Moderne
	421	California Ave			x	Birge Clark		1929	"Golden State Creamery" Wells P. Goodenough, Builder Spanish Colonial Revival Batchelder tile
	1382	California Ave			x			1900	Demolished?
	1590	California Ave	x		x			1912	California bungalow
	555	Center Dr			x	Leslie Nichols		1934, 1939	W.P. Goodenough
	471	Channing Ave	x		x			1902 Moved 1980	Queen Anne & craftsman bungalow
??	667 - 669	Channing Ave	x		x			1896	LAVENDAR, STRANGLY MODERNIZED
	751	Channing Ave	x		x			1906	
	545	Chaucer St		x					
??	560	Chaucer St		x	x				REBUILT
	538	Churchill Ave	x						
✓	380	Coleridge Ave			x				
✓	418	Coleridge Ave	x	x	x				
✓	509	Coleridge Ave		x	x				
✓	537	Coleridge Ave		x					
✓	570	Coleridge Ave	x		x				
x	660	Coleridge Ave	x		x				
✓	643 - 645	College Ave	x						barn
✓	885	College Ave					Stanford	1927	Reviewed 2018
✓	1032	College Ave			x				
x	1080	College Ave	x						Currently getting large addition
✓	2025	Columbia St		x					

✓	2115-2121	Cornell St	x		x				Twins w/neighbor, stone chimney, shingled
✓	2127-2133	Cornell St	x		x				Same as above
✓	250	Cowper St	x		x			1906	Queen Anne & Craftsman Bungalow
✓	330	Cowper St	x						pink
✓	818 - 820	Cowper St	x						
✓	828 - 830	Cowper St							Matches above property - add
✓	904	Cowper St	x	x	x			1906	Parkinson
✓	1535	Cowper St	x	x					
✓	1570	Cowper St			x	DeLemos		1929	Normandy Vernacular
✓	1620	Cowper St	x		x	Charles Sumner		1931	
✓	1965	Cowper St	x	x	x				Seale Addition, long-time Mayor
✓	2005	Cowper St		x				1931	Community Players
✓	2150	Cowper St	x		x	Leslie Nichols		1936	Ferry Morse Seeds
?	2175	Cowper St		x	x	Erwin Keichel		1930	Colonial Revival Builder: WF Klay. Structure intact Solar panels added to street facing roof
✓	50	Crescent Dr	x	x	x			1929	
✓	63	Crescent Dr			x	Gottschalk & Rist		1926	
✓	75	Crescent Dr	x		x			1928	Monterey Colonial Revival
✓	1275	Dana Ave			x	Sumner 1936 addition		1935	Paddleford/ "styelistically Old-fashioned"
CP	2601	East Bayshore Road	x		x		City		communications
✓	541	East Crescent Dr							
✓	1401	Edgewood Dr		x	x	David Clark		1938	
✓	1449	Edgewood Dr		x			Dr Roth	1929	Clinic
✓	1474	Edgewood Dr		x	x	Birge Clark			Clinic
✓	1485	Edgewood Dr			x				
✓	2171	El Camino Real			x				Church, Ananda
✓	311	El Carmelo Ave			x			1894 Moved 1947	Boarding house, Stick Eastlake, Originally 164 Hamilton
✓	Underpass	Embarcadero Rd at Alma	x						
✓	2560	Embarcadero Rd	x		x	Birge Clark			Sea Scouts
	210 - 216	Emerson St	x		x			1905	4 units

	611 - 623	Emerson St	x		x				
✓	731	Emerson St	x		x			1895	Cook/Willis
✓	945 - 949	Emerson St	x						Commercial w/house behind
✓	1215	Emerson St		x					
✓	1436-1464	Emerson St	x		x				Bungalow Court
	482	Everett Ave	x		x				
✓	332 *	Forest Ave	x		x				Apartments, newly painted
✓	446	Forest Ave	x		x				Appears altered, but not recently
✓	555	Forest Ave	x		x				Moderne, 7 units
?	939	Forest Ave		x	x				Altered
✓	1055	Forest Ave			x			1896	Gutted and rebuilt
	1001	Fulton St	x	x					
	1011	Fulton St	x		x				
✓	1726	Fulton St			x				Fairy Tale, Christmas Tree Lane
✓	365	Guinda St	x	x	x	JW Wells		1910	Wells owner & contr. Classical
✓	381	Guinda St			x				Shingled bungalow
	551	Hale St	x	x					DIDN'T FIND ADDRESS
✓	132 - 136	Hamilton Ave	x		x			1924	PA Ice Delivery Co
X	755	Hamilton Ave		x	x			1920	Pattern book: NEW ADDITION OVERSHADOWS HOUSE
✓	855	Hamilton Ave	x		x	Charles Kaiser		1916	
✓	925	Hamilton Ave			x			1908	
✓	951	Hamilton Ave	x		x				
✓	972	Hamilton Ave			x			1924	Renaissance/Baroque
✓	975	Hamilton Ave	x		x			1909	Prairie
X	1157	Hamilton Ave			x	W.F. Klay		1941	Modern ranch
	1407	Hamilton Ave		x	x			1933	Arts and Crafts
	1423	Hamilton Ave			x			1932	Spanish Colonial Revival Builder: E.J. Schmaling
	1452	Hamilton Ave			x				
✓	2131	Harvard St		x				1906 - 1908	John Albee, Mayfield Marshall
✓	365	Hawthorne Ave			x				
✓	375	Hawthorne Ave	x	x					ADDED BASEMENT, REWARD THEM
	544 - 554	Hawthorne Ave			x				

✓	317*	High St			x			1901 - 1902	Builder: G.W. Mosher
✓	323*	High St	x		x			1904	
✓	334*	High St	x		x			1899	Queen Anne, Square cottage Builder: H.L. Upham
✓	342 – 344*	High St	x		x				
	900	High St	x		x	Birge Clark		1946	PA Nash Co
	260	Homer Ave	x		x	Erwin Reichel		1931	Cardinal French Laundry
	469	Homer Ave	x		x	Charles Hodges		1906	Craftsman bungalow Adjacent to Woman’s Club
✓	680	Homer Ave	x		x				CORNER OF MIDDLEFIELD
	175	Island Dr			x	Branner		1936	Builder: Goodenough
✓	230	Kellogg Ave		x				1916	First female council member Duplex
✓	270	Kellogg Ave	x	x	x			1909	Craftsman bungalow, High Jump Innovator, Olympian
✓	360	Kellogg Ave	x		x			1919	
✓	559	Kingsley Ave	x	x	x				
?	437	Kipling St	x		x				Addition in back, plain
✓	815	Kipling St	x		x				
✓	817	Kipling St	x		x				
✓	823 - 825	Kipling St	x		x				
✓	832	Kipling St	x		x				
	630	Lincoln Ave	x		x				
	2931-2933	Louis Rd	x					1914	farm
✓	411	Lytton Ave	x		x				OLD HOUSE
	1511	Madrono Ave		x					Pop Warner
	419	Maple St			x	Leslie Nichols & Birge Clark		1930	Builder: Goodenough For Nichols fathert
X	778	Melville Ave	x		x			1904	
✓	211	Middlefield Rd		x				1920	
✓	218	Middlefield Rd	x						
??	258	Middlefield Rd			x				ALTERED
	1990	Newell Rd	x		x	David Clark		1939	

✓	426 blue	Palo Alto Ave	x		x			1903	Craftsman bungalow
✓	Cistern	Palo Alto Ave at Hale	x		x		City of PA	1924	Cistern and pump house
	1757	Park Blvd	x		x				
	1795	Park Blvd	x		x			1904	
	285	Quarry Rd	x		x	Reed & Corlett	Stanford	1931	Palo Alto Hospital
	245	Ramona St	x		x				
	925	Roble Ridge Rd	x	x			James Witt	1922	Dormers added
	955*	Roble Ridge Rd	x	x					
	435	Santa Rita Ave			x	Leslie Nichols		1936	Tudor Revival
X	943	Scott St	x	x	x				
	1247	Stanford Ave			x				
	425	Tasso St	x		x				
	Underpass	University Ave at Alma	x				City of PA	1941	
	1056	University Ave	x		x			1926	For sale
	1341	University Ave			x				
	1570	University Ave		x	x	Birge Clark		1933	
	121	Waverley St			x			1904	Colonial Revival/Queen Anne
✓	311*	Waverley St & 404 Everett			x			1900 1923	Airplane bungalow 1923 converted to multifamily
✓	313*	Waverley St	x		x			1902	“doll house like”
✓	324 – 326*	Waverley St	x		x			1901	Queen Anne square cottage
✓	333*	Waverley St	x		x			1906	
✓	385*	Waverley St	x		x				
	650	Waverley St	x		x				
	720	Waverley St	x		x			1911	
??	845	Waverley St	x		x				STANDING SEAM MTL ROOF
✓	947	Waverley St	x		x				FIRST GROUP?
✓	959	Waverley St	x		x				FIRST GROUP?
C-Y	1545	Waverley St	x		x			1905	Queen Anne/Colonial Revival
✓	251	Webster St	x		x				
✓	530	Webster St	x		x				
?	619 - 623	Webster St	x						619 intact, locate 621



✓ ?	721	Webster St	x		x			1905	Dennis Levett. IDENTIFY 719 and 723 new addresses
✓	1235	Webster St	x		x				
✓	1345	Webster St	x		x				
✓	1935	Webster St			x	Wurster		1935	Modern ranch
✓	2280	Webster St			x	Stedman		1934	ranch
	488	West Charleston Rd	x					1928	Agriculture in PA Fruit and truck farmer

**ATTACHMENT B  
CITY OF PALO ALTO HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD  
-TEAM ONE-  
MAPPING TASK HOMEWORK FOR THE JANUARY 2022 RETREAT**

**Trial Balloon Draft for Team Review  
Prepared by Vice Chair Pease**

**Objectives:**

To explore the feasibility of creating and deploying a publicly accessible interactive map of the City of Palo Alto, inclusive of user selectable filters and overlays.

This process commences in consultation with Roland Rivera, City of Palo Alto GIS expert, for an initial assessment of what is technically possible and at what level of difficulty and cost, as well as what is not feasible or practical to undertake.

Importantly, this evaluation should account for the necessary mechanics needed to perform updates and corrections to any and all underlying source lists or databases. It should also consider how integrations with these data sources might be rank ordered for implementation, as well as how subsequent integrations can be implemented most efficiently.

**Potential User Selectable Filters / Overlays:**

- 1) Existing historic districts – 4 total.
- 2) Requested or potential but unlisted historic districts – 13 total (via a 1998-2000 survey).
- 3) Current inventory of historic resources individually listed locally and/or on the California Register of Historical Resources (CRHR) and/or the National Historic Registers of Historic Places (NRHP)
- 4) Current unlisted inventory (via a 1998-2000 survey) of approximately 165 structures deemed eligible for the CRHR and NRHP.
- 5) Current unlisted Inventory (via a 1998-2000 survey) deemed to be possibly eligible for local listing and/or the CRHR and NRHP.
- 6) An emerging inventory being compiled by/through the Housing Element Working Group's (HEWG) 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle Housing Element planning process – the “opportunity housing sites selection process”) – in response to recently enacted statewide housing legislation.

7) Other user selectable filters and mapping overlays TBD

**Points of Integration:**

1) City of Palo Alto: Parcel Look-up System

2) Santa Clara County Built Environment Resource Directory or “BERD” (excluding properties owned by Stanford University and located within university boundaries).

3) Forms for each of the 165 unlisted structures deemed eligible for listing as a result of the 1998-2000 survey, all presumably paper-based documents now housed in the Palo Alto Library’s Guy Miller Archive, that may require an intelligent scanning process: optical character recognition; as well as the addition of meta-data for searchability.

4) Other potential points of integrations to existing lists or databases TBD.