

## Upcoming HRB Meeting Dates

### 2024 Meeting Schedule

Meeting Dates	Time	Location	Status
1/11/2024	8:30 AM	Hybrid	Regular
1/25/2024	8:30 AM	Hybrid	Regular
2/8/2024	8:30 AM	Hybrid	Regular
<del>2/22/2024</del>	<del>8:30 AM</del>	<del>Hybrid</del>	<del>Canceled</del>
<b>2/23/2024</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>Hybrid</b>	<b>Community Meeting</b>
3/14/2024	8:30 AM	Hybrid	Regular
3/28/2024	8:30 AM	Hybrid	Regular
4/11/2024	8:30 AM	Hybrid	Regular
4/25/2024	8:30 AM	Hybrid	Regular

- January 25<sup>th</sup> meeting is to review objection reasons and formally address the properties whose owners have submitted objection letters
- February 23<sup>rd</sup> community meeting is intended to replace the regular HRB date of February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

# MEETING SCHEDULE

## Historic Resources Board

January 11, 2024

# ITEM #2: 1/11 RECOMMENDATION ON NOMINATIONS

**GOAL L-7** Conservation and preservation of Palo Alto's historic buildings, sites and districts.

## HISTORIC RESOURCES

### Policy L-7.1

Encourage public and private upkeep and preservation of resources that have historic merit, including residences listed in the City's Historic Resource Inventory, the California Register of Historical Resources, or the National Register of Historic Places.

**PROGRAM L7.1.1** Update and maintain the City's Historic Resource Inventory to include historic resources that are eligible for local, State, or federal listing. Historic resources may consist of a single building or structure or a district.

**PROGRAM L7.1.2** Reassess the Historic Preservation Ordinance to ensure its effectiveness in the maintenance and preservation of historic resources, particularly in the University Avenue/Downtown area.



- 43 properties comprised of:
  - 41 properties in the original HRB 1-11 set, in three groups
  - Two properties postponed from the 12-14 set by owner request:
    - 330 Cowper
    - 365 Hawthorne

Of 41 properties originally scheduled 1/11:

- 28 properties were found significant due to association with persons
- 9 properties were found eligible for the California Register of Historical Resources through individual historic resource evaluations
- 4 properties are sites of ongoing or previously approved projects

# 1/11 PROPERTIES GROUPED BY CRITERIA

- (1) Staff presentation
- (2) HRB receive public comment
- (3) Group considerations; red \* asterisk on following slides notes *objections properties* pulled out for voting
  - 41 property addresses were originally scheduled for consideration at the 1/11 HRB meeting, for which staff received 17 owners' written objections to local listing before the meeting
  - Two owners of properties scheduled for 12-14-23 HRB meeting requested HRB's consideration on 1-11-24; the owner of one of these since registered an objection
  - The objections are shown with a red asterisk on the remaining slides
  - The HRB meeting of January 25<sup>th</sup> is recommended for the objections properties to allow full engagement, reporting, and discussion

State of California:

"Consent of owner is not required for nomination to CRHR, but a resource cannot be listed over an owner's objections. The SHRC can, however, formally determine a property eligible for the California Register if the resource owner objects." Staff believes this to be the likeliest, comparable protocol example path for Council in Spring.

# STATE COMMISSION'S PROCEDURE

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As a comparison, review State Historic Resources Commission (SHRC)'s procedure:

- The SHRC hears and votes on properties to be listed to the National Register and California Register. The SHRC reviews groups of properties together within a hearing structure that includes staff presentations, questions from the SHRC, call for public comment, and final deliberation and single vote on properties presented as a group.
- As the SHRC will have reviewed the nomination forms ahead of the hearing, individual properties are not typically discussed in depth; this aids in the SHRC's ability to recommend multiple properties for designation within one hearing.
- However, if a particular property faces owner opposition or has some other need that requires individual attention, it is removed from the group and placed as an individual item at the end of the hearing agenda for additional discussion.

# 28 ELIGIBLE, ASSOCIATION WITH PERSONS

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Criterion 1 (10 properties)

Criteria 1 and 2 (5 properties)

Criteria 1, 2, and 5 (3 properties)

Criterion 2 (3 properties)

Criteria 2, 5, and 6 (2 properties)

Criteria 2 and 5 (2 properties)

Criteria 1, 2, and 3 (1 property)

Criteria 1, 5, and 6 (1 property)

Criteria 1 and 3 (1 property)

- \*545 Chaucer Street
- 418 Coleridge Avenue
- \*509 Coleridge Avenue
- 537 Coleridge Avenue
- \*2025 Columbia Street
- 904 Cowper Street
- \*1965 Cowper Street
- 2005 Cowper Street
- \*2175 Cowper Street
- 50 Crescent Drive
- 1401 Edgewood Drive
- \*1451 Edgewood Drive
- 1474 Edgewood Drive
- 1215 Emerson Street
- 939 Forest Avenue

- \*1001 Fulton Street
- 365 Guinda Street
- \*551-555 Hale Street
- \*755 Hamilton Avenue
- 1407 Hamilton Avenue
- \*2131 Harvard Street
- 375 Hawthorne Avenue
- \*230 Kellogg Avenue
- \*270 Kellogg Avenue
- \*559 Kingsley Avenue
- 1511 Madrono Avenue
- \*211 Middlefield Road
- \*1570 University Avenue

# ELIGIBLE FOR CALIFORNIA REGISTER VIA HREs

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- 518-526 Bryant Street
- 885 College Avenue
- \*1145 Lincoln Avenue
- \*980 Middlefield Road
- 2340 Tasso Street
- 525 University Avenue
- 546 Washington Avenue
- 243 Webster Street
- 2140 Yale Street

Criteria 2 and 5 (3 properties)

Criteria 1, 2, and 5 (2 properties)

Criterion 2 (2 properties)

Criterion 5 (1 property)

# ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES WITH ONGOING OR APPROVED PROJECT

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- 321 California Avenue
  - 1082 College Avenue
  - 759 Homer Avenue
  - 550 Santa Rita Avenue
- Criteria 2 and 3 (1 property)  
Criteria 2 and 5 (1 property)  
Criterion 3 (1 property)  
Criterion 2 (1 property)

# 10 PROPOSED UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERION 1

Properties Previously Identified as Eligible for the National Register with the 1997-2001 Survey

## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERION 1

	Address	Criterion	Category
*	545 Chaucer Street	1	2
	537 Coleridge Avenue	1	2
	2005 Cowper Street	1	2
*	1451 Edgewood Drive	1	2
	1215 Emerson Street	1	2
*	1001 Fulton Street	1	2
*	551-555 Hale Street	1	2
*	230 Kellogg Avenue	1	2
	1511 Madrono Avenue	1	2
*	211 Middlefield Road	1	2

- Criterion 1 (The structure or site is identified with the lives of historic people or with important events in the city, state, or nation)



# FIVE PROPERTIES UNDER CRITERIA 1 AND 2

## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERIA 1 AND 2

Address	Criteria	Category
* 509 Coleridge Avenue	1, 2	2
* 1965 Cowper Street	1, 2	2
* 2175 Cowper Street	1, 2	2
939 Forest Avenue	1, 2	2
* 559 Kingsley Avenue	1, 2	2

- Criterion 1 (The structure or site is identified with the lives of historic people or with important events in the city, state, or nation)
- Criterion 2 (The structure or site is particularly representative of an architectural style or way of life important to the city, state or nation)

# THREE PROPERTIES UNDER CRITERIA 1, 2, 5

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## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERIA 1, 2, AND 5

Address	Criteria	Category
1407 Hamilton Avenue	1, 2, 5	1
* 270 Kellogg Avenue	1, 2, 5	1
1401 Edgewood Drive	1, 2, 5	2

- Criterion 1 (The structure or site is identified with the lives of historic people or with important events in the city, state, or nation)
- Criterion 2 (The structure or site is particularly representative of an architectural style or way of life important to the city, state or nation)
- Criterion 5 (The architect or building was important)

# THREE PRIVATE PROPERTIES: CRITERION 2

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## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERION 2

Address	Criterion	Category
50 Crescent Drive	2	3
* 2131 Harvard Street	2	3
* 755 Hamilton Avenue	2	4

- Criterion 2 (The structure or site is particularly representative of an architectural style or way of life important to the city, state or nation)

# TWO PROPERTIES: CRITERIA 2, 5 AND 6

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## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERIA 2, 5, AND 6

Address	Criteria	Category
418 Coleridge Avenue	2, 5, 6	1
* 2025 Columbia Street	2, 5, 6	2

- Criterion 2 (The structure or site is particularly representative of an architectural style or way of life important to the city, state or nation)
- Criterion 5 (The architect or building was important)
- Criterion 6 (The structure or site contains elements demonstrating outstanding attention to architectural design, detail, materials or craftsmanship)

# TWO PROPERTIES: CRITERIA 2 AND 5

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## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERIA 2 AND 5

Address	Criteria	Category
1474 Edgewood Drive	2, 5	2
* 1570 University Avenue	2, 5	2

- Criterion 2 (The structure or site is particularly representative of an architectural style or way of life important to the city, state or nation)
- Criterion 5 (The architect or building was important)

# ONE PROPERTY: CRITERIA 1, 2, & 3

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## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERIA 1, 2, AND 3

Address	Criteria	Category
904 Cowper Street	1, 2, 3	2

- Criterion 1 (The structure or site is identified with the lives of historic people or with important events in the city, state, or nation)
- Criterion 2 (The structure or site is particularly representative of an architectural style or way of life important to the city, state or nation)
- Criterion 3 (The structure or site is an example of a type of building which was once common, but is now rare)

# ONE PROPERTY: CRITERION 1

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Properties proposed for designation under Palo Alto Criterion 1

Address	Criterion	Category
330 Cowper Street <i>Postponed from 12-14</i>	1	2

- Criterion 1 (The structure or site is identified with the lives of historic people or with important events in the city, state, or nation)

# ONE PROPERTY: CRITERIA 3 AND 5

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Properties proposed for designation under Palo Alto Criteria 3 and 5

Address	Criteria	Category
* 365 Hawthorne Avenue <i>Postponed from 12-14</i>	3, 5	2

- Criterion 3 (The structure or site is an example of a type of building which was once common, but is now rare)
- Criterion 5 (The architect or building was important)



# ONE PROPERTY: CRITERIA 1, 5 AND 6

## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERIA 1, 5, AND 6

Address	Criteria	Category
365 Guinda Street	1, 5, 6	2

- Criterion 1 (The structure or site is identified with the lives of historic people or with important events in the city, state, or nation)
- Criterion 5 (The architect or building was important)
- Criterion 6 (The structure or site contains elements demonstrating outstanding attention to architectural design, detail, materials or craftsmanship)

# ONE PROPERTY: CRITERIA 1 AND 3

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## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERIA 1 AND 3

Address	Criteria	Category
375 Hawthorne Avenue	1, 3	2

- Criterion 1 (The structure or site is identified with the lives of historic people or with important events in the city, state, or nation)
- Criterion 3 (The structure or site is an example of a type of building which was once common, but is now rare)

# THREE PROPERTIES: CRITERION 2 AND 5

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Properties Previously Identified as Eligible for the California Register

PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERIA 2 AND 5

Address	Criteria	Category
518-526 Bryant Street	2, 5	2
2340 Tasso Street	2, 5	2
546 Washington Avenue	2, 5	2

- Criterion 2 (The structure or site is particularly representative of an architectural style or way of life important to the city, state or nation)
- Criterion 5 (The architect or building was important)

# TWO PROPERTIES: CRITERIA 1, 2 AND 5

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## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERIA 1, 2, AND 5

Address	Criteria	Category
* 980 Middlefield Road	1, 2, 5	1
525 University Avenue	1, 2, 5	1

- Criterion 1 (The structure or site is identified with the lives of historic people or with important events in the city, state, or nation)
- Criterion 2 (The structure or site is particularly representative of an architectural style or way of life important to the city, state or nation)
- Criterion 5 (The architect or building was important)

# ONE PRIVATE PROPERTY: CRITERION 2

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## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERION 2

Address	Criterion	Category
2140 Yale Street	2	2
885 College Avenue	2	3

- Criterion 2 (The structure or site is particularly representative of an architectural style or way of life important to the city, state or nation)

# ONE PRIVATE PROPERTY: CRITERION 5

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## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERION 5

Address	Criterion	Category
* 1145 Lincoln Avenue	5	3

- Criterion 5 (The architect or building was important)

# ONE PRIVATE PROPERTY: CRITERIA 2 AND 3

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Properties Currently Under Construction or the Site of an Approved Proposed Project

PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERIA 2 AND 3

Address	Criteria	Category
321 California Avenue	2, 3	2

- Criterion 2 (The structure or site is particularly representative of an architectural style or way of life important to the city, state or nation)
- Criterion 3 (The structure or site is an example of a type of building which was once common, but is now rare)

# ONE PRIVATE PROPERTY: CRITERIA 2 AND 5

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## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERIA 2 AND 5

Address	Criteria	Category
550 Santa Rita Avenue	2, 5	2

- Criterion 2 (The structure or site is particularly representative of an architectural style or way of life important to the city, state or nation)
- Criterion 5 (The architect or building was important)



# ONE PRIVATE PROPERTY: CRITERION 3

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## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERION 3

Address	Criterion	Category
1082 College Avenue	3	3

- Criterion 3 (The structure or site is an example of a type of building which was once common, but is now rare)

# ONE PRIVATE PROPERTY: CRITERION 2

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## PROPERTIES PROPOSED FOR DESIGNATION UNDER PALO ALTO CRITERION 2

Address	Criterion	Category
759 Homer Avenue	2	3

- Criterion 2 (The structure or site is particularly representative of an architectural style or way of life important to the city, state or nation)



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# ITEM #3: EXPECTATIONS

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Staff had identified three discussion topics including expectations for January 25, 2024. The HRB was asked to:

- (a) Establish a protocol for the January 25, 2024 HRB meeting, when the HRB will receive a presentation of properties found eligible for the National Register, California Register, and local inventory, but for which staff received owners' objections prior to the January 25, 2024 HRB hearing
- (b) Acknowledge the HRB's ability to affirm the continuing eligibility of properties for the local inventory based on the local criteria set forth in the nomination memos, and
- (c) Affirm that the HRB would not recommend that Council place properties on the local historic inventory 'over the expressed objections of property owners'. Palo Alto staff have referred to the State's protocol on objections as a model the City Council may follow.

## Notes:

- An HRB recommendation for Council to *not* place a property on the local historic inventory does not change the existing/prior status of the property as eligible for the National and California Register and therefore a 'CEQA resource'
- PAMC 16.49, Historic Preservation is not proposed to be modified before Council considers the nominations of eligible properties to the local inventory.
- Delay in nominating properties of owners who want to be listed is unfair.