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I. INTRODUCTION

In March 2022, Palo Alto's City Council directed City Planning Division staff to work with the City's Historic Resources Board (HRB) to review the list of properties that were previously deemed eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (National Register) in the 1997-2001 Palo Alto Historical Survey Update.¹ When these properties were deemed eligible for listing in the National Register, they were not listed on the local Palo Alto Historic Inventory and therefore do not benefit from either the protections or the incentives that are available to locally listed properties. The goal in undertaking the 2023 Reconnaissance Survey is two-fold: first, to update the known list of historic properties to reflect their current status of eligibility as historic resources—taking into account that changes have likely occurred to the built environment in the last 22 years—and second, to list those properties that remain eligible historic resources on the Palo Alto Historic Inventory. In addition to the 154 properties identified in the 1997-2001 Survey, 13 additional properties that were previously found eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources (California Register) in Historic Resource Evaluation (HRE) reports were also reviewed for continued historic significance. The analysis of the ongoing significance and historic integrity of these 167 properties will be the first step in updating the city's formal list of known historic resources. These 167 properties make up the "2023 Reconnaissance Survey."

Page & Turnbull was hired to define the survey methodology and complete the survey fieldwork in 2023. As part of the survey process, public outreach with property owners was initiated and will continue to occur through public meetings. The listing of potential properties will ultimately be undertaken through the public hearing process of the Historic Resources Board and City Council.

This Survey Report presents Page & Turnbull's initial findings on whether the 167 identified historic properties retain their historic significance and integrity, and therefore continue to be eligible for the National Register or California Register. The Survey Report includes an overview of past efforts to identify and document historic resources in Palo Alto, and presents the methodology used to survey and assess the 167 properties in the 2023 Reconnaissance Survey. This survey report, through additional collaboration with City Staff and continued public outreach to property owners and local stakeholders, will provide the basis of the recommendations that are ultimately made to the Historic Resources Board for the listing of additional properties to the Palo Alto Historic Inventory.

DESCRIPTION OF SURVEY AREA

The 167 properties that were surveyed are scattered throughout the city limits of the City of Palo Alto. Some geographical groupings are visible in areas of Downtown Palo Alto and University South,

¹ Dames & Moore, *Final Survey Report: Palo Alto Historical Survey Update*, City of Palo Alto, February 2001.

as well as the Seale Addition / Old Palo Alto, Crescent Park, and College Terrace, as these locations are where many of the earliest buildings were constructed in modern Palo Alto.

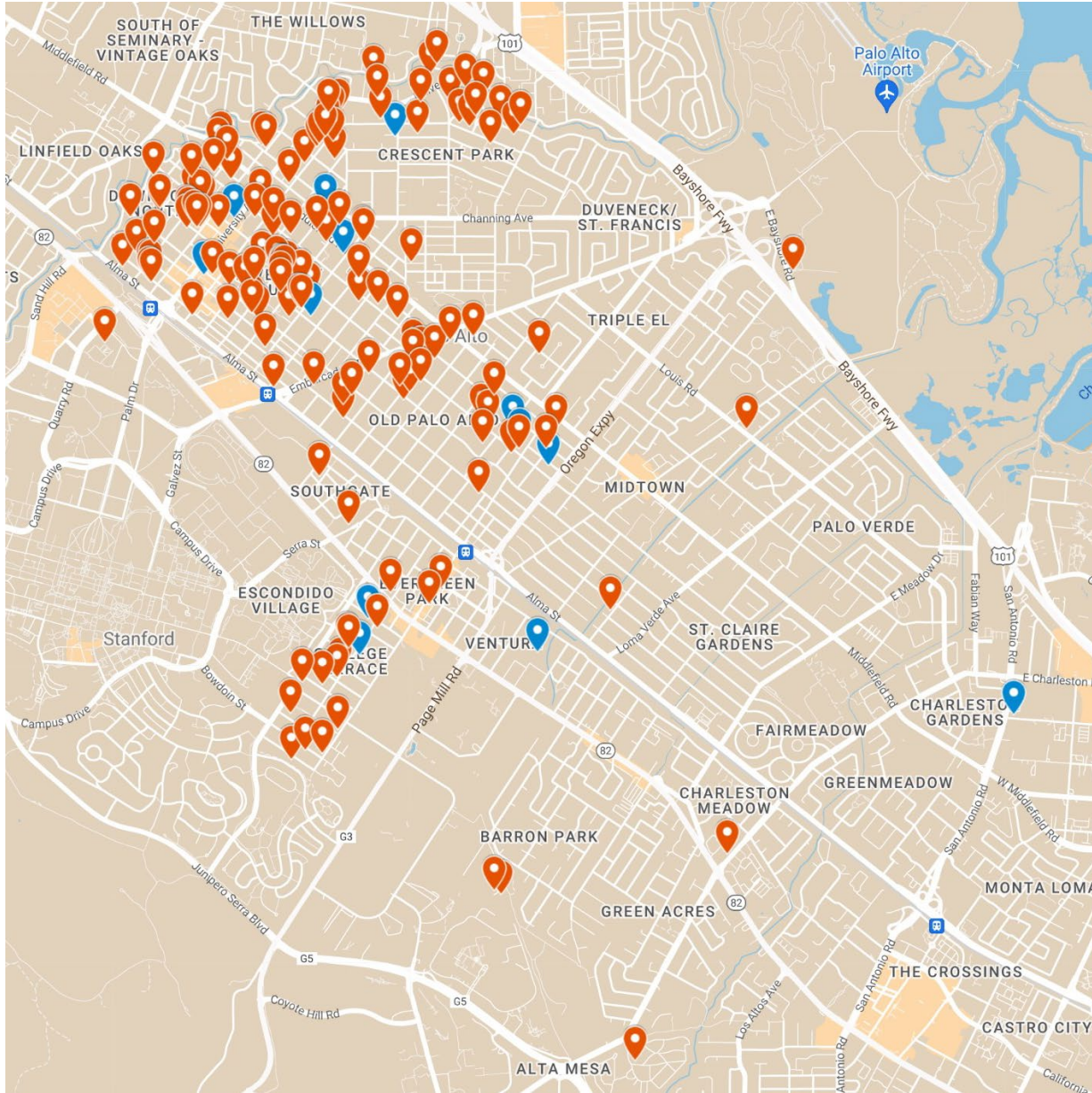


Figure 1: Map of survey properties included in 2023 Reconnaissance Survey. Red pins are the locations of the 154 properties previously identified as eligible for the National Register. Blue pins are the locations of the 13 properties that have been identified as individually eligible for the California Register. Base map: Google Maps; Data provided by Page & Turnbull.

EXCLUSIONS

The 1997-2001 Palo Alto Historical Survey Update identified 165 total properties as eligible for the National Register. However, 11 of these properties were previously listed in the Palo Alto Historic Inventory and are therefore excluded from this survey. Similarly, while 16 total properties have been identified through Historic Resource Evaluation reports as eligible for the California Register, three (3) of those properties had previously been identified and listed on the Palo Alto Historic Inventory as Category 3 or Category 4 buildings. As the purpose of the survey is to assess continued eligibility of properties that were previously identified (but not listed) in a qualified historic register, these 14 properties, which have previously been listed to the Palo Alto Historic Inventory, were not included in the survey. A list of the properties that were excluded is contained in **Appendix A**.

II. BACKGROUND & CONTEXT

The following sections briefly describe the evaluation framework of the National Register and California Register as these evaluation frameworks form the basis of the previous historic resource findings of the properties to be reviewed, and describe the framework of the Palo Alto Historic Inventory, including its criteria for designation and historic categories. Additional context on how the Palo Alto Historic Inventory was created in 1979 and how the identification of historic resources has been undertaken in the years since, follows.

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

The National Register is the nation's most comprehensive inventory of historic resources. The National Register is administered by the National Park Service and includes buildings, structures, sites, objects, and districts that possess historic, architectural, engineering, archaeological, or cultural significance at the national, state, or local level. Typically, resources over fifty years of age are eligible for listing in the National Register if they meet any one of the four criteria of significance (listed below) and if they retain sufficient historic integrity to express that significance.²

In order for a property to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, a resource must be found significant under one or more of the following criteria:

- **Criterion A (Event):** Properties associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;
- **Criterion B (Person):** Properties associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
- **Criterion C (Design/Construction):** Properties that embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represent the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or that represent a significant distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction; and
- **Criterion D (Information Potential):** Properties that have yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

The National Register evaluative criteria were used for the determination of eligibility of the properties identified in the 1997-2001 Survey. The criteria used were Criteria A, B, and C, as Criterion

² National Register criteria are defined in depth in National Park Service. *National Register Bulletin 15: How to Apply the National Register Criteria for Evaluation* (rev. 2002); refer also to California Office of Historic Preservation, *Technical Assistant Series #7: How to Nominate a Resource to the California Register of Historic Resources* (Sacramento, CA: California Office of State Publishing, September 4, 2001), 11.

D (Information Potential) primarily relates to archaeology and requires more significant research of features that may not be visible to the naked eye. For this reason, Criterion D is typically excluded from historic resources surveys, such as the 1997-2001 Survey.

CALIFORNIA REGISTER OF HISTORIC RESOURCES

The California Register is an inventory of significant architectural, archaeological, and historical resources in the state of California. Resources can be listed in the California Register through a number of methods. State Historical Landmarks and National Register-listed properties are automatically listed in the California Register. Properties can also be nominated to the California Register by local governments, private organizations, or private citizens. The evaluative criteria used by the California Register for determining eligibility are closely based on those developed by the National Park Service for the National Register.

In order for a property to be eligible for listing in the California Register, it must be found significant under one or more of the following criteria:

- **Criterion 1 (Events):** Resources that are associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of local or regional history, or the cultural heritage of California or the United States.
- **Criterion 2 (Persons):** Resources that are associated with the lives of persons important to local, California, or national history.
- **Criterion 3 (Architecture):** Resources that embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, region, or method of construction, or represent the work of a master, or possess high artistic values.
- **Criterion 4 (Information Potential):** Resources or sites that have yielded or have the potential to yield information important to the prehistory or history of the local area, California, or the nation.³

The California Register evaluative criteria were used by qualified historic preservation professionals to determine the significance of the 13 properties that have been identified as historic resources since 2010.

³ California Office of Historic Preservation, *Technical Assistance Bulletin #7*, 11.

PALO ALTO HISTORIC INVENTORY

The Palo Alto Historic Inventory is the official list of sites, structures, and districts designated by the Palo Alto City Council as possessing significant historic and/or architectural value related to the City of Palo Alto. The Inventory, which was originally adopted in 1979 through the findings of the 1979 Historic Survey, is a qualified local register defined in the city's Historic Preservation Ordinance (Municipal Code Section 16.49.040) that formally recognizes historic resources.⁴ The presence of a Historic Preservation Ordinance allows the City to provide financial incentives to owners of historic properties and provide guidance through Planning Review procedures for the long-term treatment of those historic resources. The Inventory primarily consists of a list of properties identified in 1979 but is intended to be a living document that is added to over time.

An individual or group may propose designating a historic structure, site or district to the Inventory according to the procedure found in the Historic Preservation Ordinance. Properties nominated for designation are reviewed by Palo Alto's Historic Resource Board (HRB), who issue a recommendation for listing to the City Council. The City Council then votes on the nomination and, if approved, the property is then listed in the Inventory.

The following six **Criteria for Designation**, along with the definitions of historic categories and districts in Section 16.49.020, are used to designate historic structures, sites, and districts to the Inventory:

- The structure or site is identified with the lives of historic people or with important events in the city, state or nation;
- The structure or is particularly representative of an architectural style or way of life important to the city, state or nation;
- The structure or site is an example of a type of building which was once common, but is now rare;
- The structure or site is connected with a business or use which was once common, but is now rare;
- The architect or building was important;
- The structure or site contains elements demonstrating outstanding attention to architectural design, detail, materials or craftsmanship.⁵

⁴ Palo Alto Municipal Code, Chapter 16.49 Historic Preservation. Accessed June 2, 2023, https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/paloalto/latest/paloalto_ca/0-0-0-74404

⁵ Palo Alto Municipal Code, Chapter 16.49 Historic Preservation. Subsection 020: Definitions.

Once a resource is determined to meet the Criteria for Designation, it is assigned a historic category, consisting of a number from 1 to 4. The historic categories, defined below, determine the level of significance of a resource and define the level of change that can be made to a resource. The categories are:

Category 1: An “Exceptional Building” of pre-eminent national or state importance. These buildings are meritorious works of the best architects, outstanding examples of a specific architectural style, or illustrate stylistic development of architecture in the United States. These buildings have had either no exterior modifications or such minor ones that the overall appearance of the building is in its original character.

Category 2: A “Major Building” of regional importance. These buildings are meritorious works of the best architects, outstanding examples of an architectural style, or illustrate stylistic development of architecture in the state or region. A major building may have some exterior modifications, but the original character is retained.

Category 3 or 4: A “Contributing Building” which is a good local example of an architectural style and relates to the character of a neighborhood grouping in scale, materials, proportion or other factors. A contributing building may have had extensive or permanent changes made to the original design, such as inappropriate additions, extensive removal of architectural details, or wooden facades resurfaced in asbestos or stucco.⁶

IDENTIFICATION OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES IN PALO ALTO 1979 HISTORICAL SURVEY

The first historical survey of Palo Alto was undertaken in 1979 and resulted in the publication of the *Historical and Architectural Resources of the City of Palo Alto: Inventory and Report*, by Historic Environment Consultants.⁷ This 1979 Report included approximately 500 properties located in and near the historic core of Palo Alto. These properties included many of the most notable examples of architectural styles prior to 1940, the work of important individual designers, and examples of rare or unusual property types, as well as structures associated with important events in the history of the city, state, and/or the nation. The findings of the 1979 report were adopted by the City of Palo Alto in 1979 as the Palo Alto Historic Inventory.

⁶ Palo Alto Municipal Code, Chapter 16.49 Historic Preservation. Subsection 020: Definitions.

⁷ Historic Environment Consultants, *Historical and Architectural Resources of the City of Palo Alto: Inventory and Report*, City of Palo Alto, February 1979. Available online at <https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/files/assets/public/planning-amp-development-services/historic-preservation/1979-inventory-and-report.pdf>

DAMES & MOORE SURVEY UPDATE, 1999-2001

Between 1997 and 2001, a comprehensive update to the 1979 Historic Inventory was undertaken by the historic preservation firm Dames & Moore.⁸ The goal of this update was to identify additional properties in Palo Alto that were eligible for listing on the National Register.⁹ This effort began with a reconnaissance survey of approximately 6,600 properties constructed prior to 1948. The reconnaissance survey produced two Study Priority lists. Approximately 600 properties were identified as Study Priority 1, indicating they appeared individually eligible for listing in the National Register under Criterion C (Architecture) at the local level of significance. Approximately 2,700 properties were identified as Study Priority 2, representing those properties that did not appear to be individually eligible for the National Register under Criterion C but retained high integrity and may be eligible for listing on the California Register for their local significance.

The reconnaissance survey was followed by an intensive-level survey of all Study Priority 1 and 2 properties. Historic research was conducted on the owners, architects/builders, and past uses of the Study Priority 1 properties. Research also informed the preparation of historic context statements to identify any potential significant associations of Study Priority 2 properties. These historic context statement topics included local property types, significant historical themes, and prolific architects and builders.

In January 1999, Dames & Moore prepared an interim findings report that listed preliminary evaluations for those properties that appeared eligible for listing in the National Register and California Register. There were 291 properties that were found potentially eligible as individual resources to both the National Register and California Register, and an additional 1,789 properties were found potentially eligible for listing in the California Register only. The survey update effort concluded with California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) 523 forms prepared for the 291 properties that initially appeared eligible for listing in the National Register. Of the 291 properties, 165 were ultimately found to be eligible for listing in the National Register. The resulting 165 DPR 523 forms were submitted to the California Office of Historic Preservation. Because the survey focused on determining National Register eligibility, the project did not finalize the preliminary evaluations regarding potential California Register eligibility.

The 165 properties found eligible for listing in the National Register in 2001, formed the basis of the properties surveyed for the 2023 Reconnaissance Survey. 154 of these properties were included

⁸ Dames & Moore, *Final Survey Report: Palo Alto Historical Survey Update*, City of Palo Alto, February 2001.

⁹ This section outlining the methodology used for the 1997-2001 Survey is summarized from Dames & Moore, *Final Survey Report: Palo Alto Historical Survey Update*, City of Palo Alto, February 2001.

within the 2023 Reconnaissance Survey, while 11 properties—which have previously been listed to the Historic Inventory—were excluded¹⁰. The 11 properties that were excluded are listed in **Appendix A**.

IDENTIFICATION OF HISTORIC RESOURCES SINCE 2001

Since the completion of the Dames & Moore Survey effort in 2001, historic resources have been identified on a property-by-property basis at the request of property owners who plan to sell a property or significantly modify the exterior of a building, or as part of a CEQA analysis for a proposed discretionary review project. These Historic Resource Evaluations (HREs) are completed by qualified historic preservation professionals.

The City of Palo Alto has requested that Historic Resource Evaluations be completed for buildings over 50 years of age (the standard age-threshold for evaluation for historic significance) when projects are proposed that will undergo discretionary review by the Planning Division. Since December 2017, the City has also had HREs prepared by qualified firms when property owners intend to sell a property called out as “potentially eligible” in the 1997-2001 Survey, or contemplate significant exterior modifications of properties built before 1948 and shown as “potentially eligible” but not fully evaluated in the 1997-2001 Survey.¹¹ These historic evaluations determine whether a property is a historic resource that is individually eligible for listing in the California Register. Not all properties that are reviewed are ultimately found to possess historic significance.

Since 2010, 13 properties have been identified as historic resources that are individually eligible for the California Register. These properties are listed in **Table 1**, on the following page.

¹⁰ While the 1997-2001 Survey generally eliminated properties that were previously listed in the Historic Inventory from additional study, the 11 properties listed in Appendix A were studied and found potentially eligible for the National Register as part of the 1997-2001 Survey. It is unclear if these properties were included in error. As they are already listed in the Historic Inventory—the ultimate goal for the other properties in the 2023 Reconnaissance Survey—they have been removed from the list of properties surveyed in the 2023 Reconnaissance Survey.

¹¹ The 1948 cut-off date was established within the 1997-2001 Survey methodology. “The survey update addressed all properties 50 years old or older, and since the survey began in 1997, this included those properties built in 1947 or earlier. Another reason this survey update was limited to addressing properties built in 1947 or earlier was because the number of buildings built annually increased dramatically beginning in 1948, and for reasons of time and money, the City made the decision to limit this survey to the estimated 6,600 properties built in 1947 or earlier.” Refer to Dames & Moore, *Final Survey Report: Palo Alto Historical Survey Update*, City of Palo Alto, February 2001, p. 2-1.

TABLE 1: PROPERTIES IDENTIFIED AS ELIGIBLE FOR THE CALIFORNIA REGISTER

Address	APN	Year built	Use	California Register Criteria of Significance
518-526 Bryant Street	120-26-061	1929-1935	Commercial	Criterion 3 (Architecture)
885 College Avenue	137-02-002	1927	Residential	Criterion 3 (Architecture)
759 Homer Avenue	003-32-033	1929	Residential	Criterion 3 (Architecture)
1145 Lincoln Avenue	003-19-059	1946	Residential	Criterion 3 (Architecture)
980 Middlefield Road	120-05-077	1951	Commercial	Criterion 3 (Architecture)
340 Portage Avenue	132-38-071	1918-1949	Industrial	Criterion 1 (Events)
788 San Antonio Road	147-03-041	1953-2002	Commercial	Criterion 1 (Events)
550 Santa Rita Avenue	124-04-035	1936	Residential	Criterion 3 (Architecture)
2340 Tasso Street	124-11-011	1933	Residential	Criterion 3 (Architecture)
525 University Avenue	120-03-069	1966-1976	Office	Criteria 2 (Persons) and 3 (Architecture)
546 Washington Avenue	124-04-021	1926	Residential	Criterion 3 (Architecture)
1027 Waverley Street	120-18-027	1923	Residential	Criterion 3 (Architecture)
2140 Yale Street	137-01-133	1908	Residential	Criterion 3 (Architecture)

III. SURVEY METHODOLOGY

BACKGROUND MATERIALS AND PREPARATION

Prior to undertaking fieldwork, Page & Turnbull received documentation from the City of Palo Alto that was produced as part of the 1997-2001 Survey. These materials included State of California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) historic survey forms for each property that included an Individual Record (DPR 523A) form containing a photograph and description, and a Building, Structure, and Object (DPR 523B) form containing the evaluation and finding of significance.

In addition, a data set that contained the addresses, Assessor Parcel Number (APN), and year built (according to Santa Clara County Assessor's records) for each property to be surveyed, was supplied to Page & Turnbull by City Staff. This data set was used as the basis of a survey application that was created for data collection in the field.

FULCRUM MOBILE SURVEY APPLICATION AND FIELDWORK

Page & Turnbull created a customized mobile survey application using the online platform Fulcrum to conduct survey fieldwork and to collect and organize data.¹² Fulcrum is a highly adaptable cloud-based application that allows users to design a mobile application to collect data, including text and photographs, that is geo-located and can be exported in the form of spreadsheets, Geographic Information System (GIS) shapefiles, and PDF reports.

Page & Turnbull imported the baseline data supplied by the City of Palo Alto into Fulcrum to develop the survey application. For the 154 properties that were surveyed in 1997-2001, Page & Turnbull staff imported additional background information collected from the 2001 DPR 523A and 523B forms. This background data included a date of construction, original architect, significant resident/owner, identified criteria for significance, and any additional notes that might assist the surveyor while in the field. For example, relevant notes could include a request to look for an associated building on the property (such as a garage or converted barn), or to identify whether a particular cladding material (such as stucco with embedded abalone shells) was extant.

For the 13 properties identified as California Register-eligible, the additional fields that were added to the custom Fulcrum application included the identified criterion of significance and year built, as provided in the Historic Resource Evaluation report for each property.

¹² Fulcrum, accessed online March 1, 2023, <https://www.fulcrumapp.com/>.

Page & Turnbull designed the survey application to record photographs taken in the field, and to record several text fields, including whether the building was present, altered, or demolished; whether any alterations had taken place since the building was last evaluated; and whether the building appeared to retain its historic integrity. The survey was completed in the field on smartphones using the highest quality image settings for photographs.

In addition to the summary findings presented in this Survey Report (**refer to Table 5**), the data collected in Fulcrum has been transmitted to the City of Palo Alto in the form of an Excel spreadsheet of consolidated survey data and findings.

Fieldwork was completed in April 2023 by architectural historians at Page & Turnbull, Inc. who meet or exceed the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Professional Qualifications in Architectural History and/or History.

ADDITIONAL RESEARCH

As a reconnaissance survey, properties are intended to be assessed primarily through visual inspection, and surveyors are not expected to undertake additional research. However, if visual inspection led to additional questions regarding possible changes to the property since it was last photographed, a note was made by the surveyor to conduct brief additional research to confirm initial findings. In most cases, this research was limited to reviewing available Google Maps Streetview photography (which provides snapshots since 2008 in most areas of Palo Alto), aerial photography (that can show changes to a building's footprint or massing), and a deeper review of previous documentation (DPR forms or HRE reports, respectively). In one case, a review of recent permits was necessary to confirm an initial finding, and in a rare case, a property owner supplied additional information to the project team for consideration.

IV. EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

HISTORIC INTEGRITY AND HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE

Historic significance and integrity are two interrelated concepts that provide the foundation for identifying historic resources. It is important to note that age alone does not equate to historic significance or historic integrity. Within the 2023 Reconnaissance Survey, all properties to be surveyed had previously been evaluated for historic significance and historic integrity. For the purposes of this survey, Page & Turnbull did not assess historic significance, but instead assessed whether changes that may have occurred to the building or structures would have resulted in a loss of integrity, thereby impeding a property’s ability to express its historic significance. The following section discusses how a property was determined to have lost its historic integrity due to alterations or demolition.

Determining a Loss of Historic Integrity

Historic integrity is the ability of a property to convey its significance. *National Register Bulletin 15: How to Apply the National Register Criteria for Evaluation* defines the seven aspects of historic integrity as location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association.¹³ These seven aspects of integrity are used to evaluate a threshold at which a resource retains or loses its historic integrity. Evaluators of potential historic resources look closely at characteristics such as massing, roof forms, fenestration patterns, cladding and window materials, and neighborhood surroundings when evaluating a property’s historic integrity.

During the 2023 Reconnaissance Survey, observations regarding alterations or demolition of a property were recorded in the survey application. In cases of demolition, historic integrity was lost. Of the properties identified in the 2001 survey, 11 have been demolished; and of those identified since 2010, one property has been demolished and another property will be demolished shortly; these 13 total properties are listed in **Table 2**. Properties identified in 2001 are listed first and then organized alphabetically by street name, followed by properties identified since 2010.

TABLE 2: PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED PROPERTIES THAT HAVE SINCE BEEN DEMOLISHED

Address	APN	Use	Identified in 2001 or Since 2010?
806 Bryant Street	[not listed]	Residential	2001
840 Bryant Street	120-28-109	Residential	2001
846 Bryant Street	120-28-109	Residential	2001
<i>Continued on next page</i>			

¹³ National Park Service. *National Register Bulletin 15: How to Apply the National Register Criteria for Evaluation* (rev. 2002).

Address	APN	Use	Identified in 2001 or Since 2010?
1382 California Avenue	137-05-025	Residential	2001
560 Chaucer Street	003-05-016	Residential	2001
660 Coleridge Avenue	124-02-010	Residential	2001
1157 Hamilton Avenue	003-07-025	Residential	2001
778 Melville Avenue	003-44-016	Residential	2001
943 Scott Street	120-17-113	Residential	2001
1935 Webster Street	124-03-072	Residential	2001
488 W Charleston Road	132-46-072	Residential	2001
788 San Antonio Road*	147-03-041	Commercial	2020
1027 Waverley Street	120-18-027	Residential	2018

**Demolition has been approved and is pending*

When alterations are made in-kind, no loss of integrity occurs. However, significant replacement of, or alteration to, historic features and materials can cause an overall loss of historic character that impacts many of the seven elements of integrity, including design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association; and leads to an overall loss of historic integrity. Four (4) buildings, listed in **Table 3**, were identified to have had significant material replacement or alterations that impacted the overall design and character of each building, such that they do not appear to remain eligible for the National Register or California Register.

TABLE 3: PROPERTIES THAT HAVE LOST INTEGRITY THROUGH ALTERATIONS

Address	APN	Use	Notes	Identified in 2001 or Since 2010?
1032 College Avenue	137-03-031	Residential	Significant changes and material replacement have changed the character of the building.	2001
669 Everett Avenue	120-02-017	Residential	Second floor addition and significant material replacement that removed distinctive vernacular elements.	2001
925 Roble Ridge Road	137-17-026	Residential	Lack of visibility from public right-of-way; aerial photographs and permits show that residence has been altered through multiple additions.	2001
955 Roble Ridge Road	137-17-006	Residential	Lack of visibility from public right-of-way; permit history shows that residence has been altered through multiple additions.	2001

Properties For Which No Determination Was Made

Some properties were unable to be assessed at the time of the survey. These properties were either currently under construction, or were recently damaged; these three (3) properties are listed in **Table 4**. In the case of the two (2) properties currently under construction, a determination should be made once the work is complete. For the damaged property, once a project is proposed—whether it consists of a demolition or a rehabilitation to repair the damage—a determination can be made as to whether the building will retain its historic integrity.

TABLE 4: PROPERTIES WHERE NO DETERMINATION WAS MADE REGARDING INTEGRITY

Address	APN	Use	Notes	Identified in 2001 or Since 2010?
321 California Avenue	124-33-001	Commercial	Ongoing construction	2001
1082 College Avenue	137-03-036	Residential	Ongoing construction	2001
211 Middlefield Road	003-01-035	Residential	Building damaged by fallen tree in 2023 during winter storms ¹⁴	2001

Properties that Retain their Historic Integrity

The remaining 147 surveyed properties were determined to have retained their historic integrity to a sufficient degree to continue to express their historic significance. These properties are listed in **Table 5**, in the following section.

¹⁴ "Winds knock down trees, disrupt power," *Palo Alto Daily Post* (online), Accessed April 24, 2023, <https://padailypost.com/2023/03/14/winds-knock-down-trees-disrupt-power/>

V. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Page & Turnbull surveyed and evaluated 167 properties in the 2023 Reconnaissance Survey. Of these properties only three (3) were not awarded a final evaluation due to either ongoing construction or damage. As stated previously, 13 properties were found to have been demolished, and four (4) were found to have been altered enough to result in a loss of historic integrity and are thus no longer eligible historic resources. The remaining 147 properties were reviewed and found to retain their historic significance and integrity. These 147 properties thereby retain their eligibility for listing in either the National Register or California Register. **Table 5**, beginning on the following page, summarizes these survey findings. This table is organized first by eligibility status, and then by street name in alphabetical order. An excel file with these findings has also been provided to the City of Palo Alto.

TABLE 5: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANCE AND INTEGRITY FINDINGS

Address	Historic Name	APN	Year Built (estimated)	Use	National Register or California Register?	Significance Criteria	Integrity?	Status	Retains Eligibility?
1032 College Avenue		137-03-031	1900	Residential	National Register	C	No	Altered	No
669 Everett Avenue		120-02-017	1925	Residential	National Register	C	No	Altered	No
925 Roble Ridge Road		137-17-026	1927	Residential	National Register	A, B	No	Altered	No
955 Roble Ridge Road		137-17-006	1927	Residential	National Register	A, B	No	Altered	No
806 Bryant Street		[not listed]	[not listed]	Residential	National Register	A, C	No	Demolished	No
840 Bryant Street		120-28-109	[not listed]	Residential	National Register	A	No	Demolished	No
846 Bryant Street		120-28-109	[not listed]	Residential	National Register	A, C	No	Demolished	No
1382 California Avenue		137-05-025	2002	Residential	National Register	C	No	Demolished	No
560 Chaucer Street		003-05-016	1935	Residential	National Register	B, C	No	Demolished	No
660 Coleridge Avenue		124-02-010	2019	Residential	National Register	A, C	No	Demolished	No
1157 Hamilton Avenue		003-07-025	2015	Residential	National Register	C	No	Demolished	No
778 Melville Avenue		003-44-016	2002	Residential	National Register	A, C	No	Demolished	No
788 San Antonio Road		147-03-041	1953-2002	Commercial	California Register	1	No	Demolished [pending]	No
943 Scott Street		120-17-113	2011	Residential	National Register	A, B, C	No	Demolished	No
1027 Waverley Street		120-18-027	[not listed]	Residential	California Register	3	No	Demolished	No
1935 Webster Street		124-03-072	2014	Residential	National Register	C	No	Demolished	No
488 W Charleston Road		132-46-072	2011	Residential	National Register	A	No	Demolished	No
321 California Avenue		124-33-001	1938	Commercial	National Register	A, C	N/A	No Finding [under construction]	N/A
1082 College Avenue		137-03-036	1906	Residential	National Register	A	N/A	No Finding [under construction]	N/A
211 Middlefield Road		003-01-035	1915	Residential	National Register	B	N/A	No Finding [damaged]	N/A
471 Addison Avenue		120-17-055	1904	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
201 Alma Street		120-25-060	0	Other	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1101 Alma Street		120-30-044	1895	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
Alma Street	[Railroad Bridge]	[n/a]	[not listed]	Other	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
2230 Amherst Street		137-07-062	1904	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
695 Arastradero Road	Alta Mesa Cemetery	167-04-001	0	Other	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
2264 Bowdoin Street		137-07-004	1908	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
162 Bryant Street		120-24-038	1912	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
518-526 Bryant Street		120-26-061	1929-1935	Commercial	California Register	3	Yes	Present	Yes
541 Bryant Street		120-15-091	1947	Commercial	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
635 Bryant Street		120-16-035	1900	Commercial	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
904 Bryant Street [previously 802-804 Bryant Street]		120-28-105	2001	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present [building was relocated ca. 2001]	Yes
2160 Bryant Street		124-19-076	1925	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
336 Byron Street		120-02-085	1900	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
518 Byron Street		120-03-055	1905	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
2277 Byron Street		124-05-024	1934	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
421 California Avenue		124-33-020	1928	Commercial	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes

Address	Historic Name	APN	Year Built (estimated)	Use	National Register or California Register?	Significance Criteria	Integrity?	Status	Retains Eligibility?
1590 California Avenue		137-05-066	1912	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
555 Center Drive		003-10-016	1933	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
471 Channing Avenue		120-17-090	1996	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
669 Channing Avenue		120-05-014	1898	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
751 Channing Avenue		003-32-060	1905	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
545 Chaucer Street		003-07-046	1931	Residential	National Register	B	Yes	Present	Yes
538 Churchill Avenue		124-01-006	1921	Residential	National Register	A	Yes	Present	Yes
380 Coleridge Avenue		124-08-021	1931	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
418 Coleridge Avenue		124-08-068	1923	Residential	National Register	A, B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
509 Coleridge Avenue		124-01-019	1926	Residential	National Register	B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
537 Coleridge Avenue		124-01-018	1918	Residential	National Register	B	Yes	Present	Yes
570 Coleridge Avenue		124-02-004	1931	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
643 College Avenue		137-01-102	1904	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
885 College Avenue		137-02-002	1927	Residential	California Register	3	Yes	Present	Yes
2025 Columbia Street		137-06-040	1937	Residential	National Register	B	Yes	Present	Yes
2115 Cornell Street		137-02-042	1924	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
2127 Cornell Street		137-02-041	1924	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
252 Cowper Street		120-14-024	1900	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
330 Cowper Street		120-14-059	1903	Residential	National Register	A	Yes	Present	Yes
820 Cowper Street		120-17-011	1903	Residential	National Register	A	Yes	Present	Yes
904 Cowper Street		120-17-049	1906	Residential	National Register	A, B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1535 Cowper Street		124-01-020	1926	Residential	National Register	A, B	Yes	Present	Yes
1620 Cowper Street		124-08-085	1932	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1965 Cowper Street		124-06-010	1931	Residential	National Register	A, B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
2005 Cowper Street		124-06-008	1931	Residential	National Register	B	Yes	Present	Yes
2150 Cowper Street		124-10-005	1936	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
2175 Cowper Street		124-04-019	1928	Residential	National Register	B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
50 Crescent Drive		003-09-028	1930	Residential	National Register	A, B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
75 Crescent Drive		003-09-006	1928	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1275 Dana Avenue		003-20-022	1938	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
2601 East Bayshore Road	Federal Telegraph Company - Marsh Station	008-04-001	[not listed]	Infrastructure	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
541 E Crescent Drive		003-10-025	1928	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
1401 Edgewood Drive		003-11-066	1938	Residential	National Register	B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1451 Edgewood Drive		003-11-027	1929	Residential	National Register	B	Yes	Present	Yes
1474 Edgewood Drive		003-11-041	1935	Residential	National Register	B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1485 Edgewood Dr Drive		003-11-022	1937	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
2171 El Camino Real	St. Aloysius Church	124-31-081	[not listed]	Religious	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
311 El Carmelo Avenue		132-19-056	1895	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes

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Embarcadero Road	[Underpass]	[n/a]	[not listed]	Other	National Register	A	Yes	Present	Yes
212 Emerson Street		120-25-033	1912	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
731 Emerson Street		120-27-071	1903	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
945-949 Emerson Street		120-28-079	1905	Mixed	National Register	A	Yes	Present	Yes
1215 Emerson Street		124-12-016	1906	Residential	National Register	B	Yes	Present	Yes
1464 Emerson Street		124-16-033	1937	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
482 Everett Avenue		120-14-057	1896	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
332 Forest Avenue		120-16-038	1925	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
446 Forest Avenue		120-16-043	1992	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
555 Forest Avenue		120-04-031	1940	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
939 Forest Avenue		003-04-036	1912	Residential	National Register	B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1001 Fulton Street		003-33-037	1921	Residential	National Register	A, B	Yes	Present	Yes
1011 Fulton Street		003-33-036	1912	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1726 Fulton Street		003-58-033	1934	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
365 Guinda Street		003-03-053	1910	Residential	National Register	A, B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
381 Guinda Street		003-03-007	1910	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
551-555 Hale Street		003-05-021	1939	Residential	National Register	A, B	Yes	Present	Yes
132 Hamilton Avenue		120-27-003	1924	Commercial	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
755 Hamilton Avenue		003-02-033	1918	Residential	National Register	B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
855 Hamilton Avenue		003-03-033	1915	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
925 Hamilton Avenue		003-04-022	1909	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
951 Hamilton Avenue		003-04-021	1908	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
972 Hamilton Avenue		003-04-073	1927	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
975 Hamilton Avenue		003-04-019	1910	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1407 Hamilton Avenue		003-11-012	1934	Residential	National Register	B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1423 Hamilton Avenue		003-11-009	1933	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
1452 Hamilton Avenue		003-23-014	1936	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
2131 Harvard Street		137-03-066	1906	Residential	National Register	B	Yes	Present	Yes
365 Hawthorne Avenue		120-12-061	1905	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
375 Hawthorne Avenue		120-12-016	1903	Residential	National Register	A, B	Yes	Present	Yes
544 Hawthorne Avenue		120-02-002	1957	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
317 High Street		120-25-104	1905	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
323 High Street		120-25-103	1905	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
334 High Street		120-25-107	1901	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
342 High Street		120-25-108	1902	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
260 Homer Avenue	Cardinal French Laundry	120-28-118	[not listed]	Commercial	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
469 Homer Avenue		120-16-051	1908	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
680 Homer Avenue		120-05-010	1904	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
759 Homer Avenue		003-32-033	1929	Residential	California Register	3	Yes	Present	Yes

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175 Island Drive		003-11-005	1936	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
230 Kellogg Avenue		124-16-012	1916	Residential	National Register	B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
270 Kellogg Avenue		124-16-017	1909	Residential	National Register	A, B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
360 Kellogg Avenue		124-07-043	1919	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
559 Kingsley Avenue		120-06-071	1918	Residential	National Register	A, B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
437 Kipling Street		120-15-020	1902	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
815 Kipling Street		120-17-023	1900	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
817 Kipling Street		120-17-022	1908	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
825 Kipling Street		120-17-021	1898	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
832 Kipling Street		120-17-025	1890	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
630 Lincoln Avenue		120-06-033	1905	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1145 Lincoln Avenue		003-19-059	1946	Residential	California Register	3	Yes	Present	Yes
2931 Louis Road		127-40-024	1914	Residential	National Register	A	Yes	Present	Yes
411 Lytton Avenue		120-14-076	1900	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1511 Madrono Avenue		124-24-005	1928	Residential	National Register	B	Yes	Present	Yes
419 Maple Street		003-06-038	1929	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
218 Middlefield Rd		120-02-012	1905	Residential	National Register	A	Yes	Present	Yes
980 Middlefield Road		120-05-077	1951	Commercial	California Register	3	Yes	Present	Yes
1990 Newell Road		003-57-060	1939	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
[no address]	[Cistern and Pump House]	[n/a]	[not listed]	Other	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
426 Palo Alto Avenue		120-09-059	1902	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1757 Park Boulevard		124-25-039	1904	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
340 Portage Avenue		132-38-071	1918-1949	Industrial	California Register	1	Yes	Present	Yes
211 Quarry Road		142-04-019	1931	Other	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
245 Ramona Street		120-25-012	1908	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
435 Santa Rita Avenue		124-09-013	1936	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
550 Santa Rita Avenue		124-04-035	1936	Residential	California Register	3	Yes	Present	Yes
1247 Stanford Avenue		137-06-009	1900	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
2340 Tasso Street		124-11-011	1933	Residential	California Register	3	Yes	Present	Yes
University Avenue	[Underpass]	[n/a]	[not listed]	Other	National Register	A	Yes	Present	Yes
525 University Avenue		120-03-069	1966-1976	Office	California Register	2; 3	Yes	Present	Yes
1056 University Avenue		003-05-026	1927	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1341 University Avenue		003-06-020	1924	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
1570 University Avenue		003-08-006	1931	Residential	National Register	B, C	Yes	Present	Yes
546 Washington Avenue		124-04-021	1926	Residential	California Register	3	Yes	Present	Yes
311 Waverley Street		120-14-050	1910	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
313 Waverley Street		120-14-083	1902	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
324 Waverly Street		120-14-086	1902	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
333 Waverley Street		120-14-080	1910	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes

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385 Waverley Street		120-14-078	1916	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
720 Waverley Street		120-16-061	1912	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
845 Waverley Street		120-17-030	1966	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
947 Waverley Street		120-17-060	1903	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
959 Waverley Street		120-17-059	1904	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1545 Waverley Street		124-07-026	1908	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
251 Webster Street		120-02-032	1904	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
530 Webster Street		120-03-059	1927	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
619 Webster Street		120-04-025	1904	Residential	National Register	A	Yes	Present	Yes
719 Webster Street		120-04-112	1903	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1235 Webster Street		120-07-037	1905	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
1345 Webster Street		120-07-076	1906	Residential	National Register	A, C	Yes	Present	Yes
2280 Webster Street		124-05-053	1935	Residential	National Register	C	Yes	Present	Yes
2140 Yale Street		137-01-133	1908	Residential	California Register	3	Yes	Present	Yes

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VII. APPENDIX A

PROPERTIES EXCLUDED FROM THE 2023 RECONNAISSANCE SURVEY

The following list of 14 properties were excluded from the 2023 Reconnaissance Survey as they have previously been listed to the Palo Alto Historic Inventory. Eleven properties were identified in the 1997-2001 Survey as eligible for listing in the National Register but were already listed on the Palo Alto Historic Inventory. The remaining three (3) properties were found individually eligible for listing in the California Register through evaluation by qualified preservation professionals after being listed to the Palo Alto Historic Inventory.¹⁵

The following properties were identified as eligible for the National Register in the 1997-2001 Survey but had already been listed in the Palo Alto Historic Inventory. The category under which each property was listed is shown in parentheses:

- 730 Bryant Street (Category 3)
- 1570 Cowper Steet (Category 2)
- 63 Crescent Drive (Category 3)
- 2560 Embarcadero Road (Category 1)
- 611-623 Emerson Street (Category 2)
- 1055 Forest Avenue (Category 4)
- 900 High Street (Category 2)
- 1795 Park Boulevard (Category 3)
- 425 Tasso Street (Category 2)
- 121 Waverley Street (Category 4)
- 650 Waverley Street (Category 2)

Identified as eligible for the California Register through individual property evaluations since 2010, with listed Palo Alto Historic Inventory category in parentheses:

- 359 Embarcadero Road (Category 3)
- 751-761 Everett Avenue (Category 4)
- 235 Hamilton Avenue (Category 3)

¹⁵ Historic Resource Evaluations are completed to meet the regulatory requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).