



Landmarks Preservation Commission

## INFORMATION CALENDAR

July 27, 2021

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
 From: Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC)  
 Submitted by: Christopher Adams, LPC Chairperson  
 Subject: Annual Report on Landmarks Preservation Commission Actions

### INTRODUCTION

LPC has prepared a report on its activities during the period June 2020 through May 2021; see Attachment 1, "Annual Report on Landmarks Preservation Commission Actions." Reports on the Commission's activities are required on an annual basis, in accordance with Berkeley Municipal Code Chapter 3.24.090 - *Annual Report Required*.

### CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

On June 3, 2021, the Commission voted to adopt the attached report and to forward it to City Council; Vote: 7-0-1-0 (one vacancy); Yes: Adams, Enchill, Johnson, Crandall, Montgomery, Schwartz, Twu; No: none; Abstain: Finacom; Absent: none.

### BACKGROUND

Staff prepared a draft report summarizing LPC's action and then presented it for the Commission's consideration at their meeting on June 3, 2021. The Commission received the report favorably and voted to adopt it and to forward it to City Council in accordance with the BMC requirement.

The Commission held a total of 11 meetings during this reporting period, all occurred via video conferencing in compliance with City's measures to socially distance in order to curtail the spread of the COVID-19 virus. Commissioners adapted quickly to the remote meeting format and LPC successfully carried on with their responsibilities.

Among numerous accomplishments, the Commission:

- Designated three properties as City Landmarks.
- Granted ten Structural Alteration Permits for existing properties on the City's register of historic properties.
- Studied and then recommended City Council approval of Mills Act contracts for repair and rehabilitation of two City Landmark residences.
- Considered 12 demolition referrals from the Zoning Adjustments Board.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

Historic preservation practices encourage the adaptive re-use and rehabilitation of historic resources within the City. The rehabilitation of these resources, rather than their removal, achieves construction and demolition waste diversion, and promotes investment in existing urban centers.

POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION

The LPC will continue to submit an annual report on its activities in accordance with the BMC requirement.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION

There are no fiscal impacts associated with this reporting activity.

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Attachments:

1: Annual Report of Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) Activities



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R E P O R T T O C I T Y C O U N C I L

**Annual Report on  
 Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC)  
 Actions**

Reporting Period: June 2020 through May 2021  
 Due Date: June 30, 2021

Presented to City Council  
 By the LPC Secretary  
 On behalf of the LPC Chairperson and the Commission  
 In accordance with Berkeley Municipal Code Section 3.24.090

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**Part 1: Introduction**

In accordance with Berkeley Municipal Code Section 3.24.090, the LPC shall report its actions to City Council on an annual basis. The report must arrive not later than June 30 of each year.

Herein City Council will find summaries of all LPC activities for the current reporting period. The summary lists are arranged in categories reflecting LPC’s compulsory duties, such as public meetings and quasi-judicial reviews, as well as other efforts that further cultural resource preservation in Berkeley.

**Part 2: LPC Meetings Held – via video conferencing only**

Meeting Body	Date
Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC)	June 4, 2020
	July 2, 2020
	August 6, 2020
	September 3, 2020
	October 1, 2020
	November 5, 2020
	December 3, 2020
	January 7, 2021
	<del>February 4, 2021</del> <i>Cancelled</i>
	March 4, 2021
	April 1, 2021
May 6, 2021	
LPC Ad Hoc Subcommittee: 2019 Blake Street Demolition Advisory	August 21, 2020
LPC Ad Hoc Subcommittee: Acheson Commons Development Project Structural Alteration Permit	April 6-9, 2021

**Part 3: LPC Regulatory Actions**

Activity	Property Address	Application Number	Action Date
Landmark & Structure of Merit Designations  BMC Section 3.24.150	2328 Channing Way	#LMIN2020-0001	July 2, 2020
	1915 Berryman Street (denied)	#LMIN2020-0003	August 6, 2020
	2136-2154 San Pablo Avenue	#LMIN2020-0004	October 1, 2020
	1 Orchard Lane	#LMIN2020-0006	December 3, 2020
Landmark or Structure of Merit Designation --initiated and still pending  BMC Section 3.24.120	2300 Ellsworth Street	#LMIN2020-0002	June 4, 2020
	2939 Dwight Way	#LMIN2020-0007	October 1, 2020
	2601 Derby Street	#LMIN2020-0005	November 5, 2020
	1325 Arch Street	#LMIN2020-0008	December 3, 2020
Structural Alteration Permits  BMC Section 3.24.240	1120 Second Street	#LMSAP2019-0007	June 4, 2020
	1120 Second Street	#LMSAP2019-0008	June 4, 2020
	41 San Diego Road\Hinkel Park	#LMSAP2020-0002	June 4, 2020
	2277 Shattuck Avenue	#LMSAP2020-0001	September 3, 2020
	2470 Telegraph Avenue	#LMSAP2019-0003	December 3, 2020
Use Permit Demolition Referrals  BMC 23C.08.050	1212 San Pablo Avenue	#ZP2019-0192	July 2, 2020
	1214 San Pablo Avenue		
	2015 Blake Street	#ZP2020-0072	August 6, 2020
	2019 Blake Street		
	1207 Tenth Street	#ZP2020-0046	August 6, 2020
	2136-2154 San Pablo Avenue	#ZP2019-0179	October 1, 2020
	2210 Harold Way	#ZP2020-0011	October 1, 2020
	3031 Telegraph Avenue	#ZP2020-0069	November 5, 2020
	2317 Channing Way	#ZP2020-0090	November 5, 2020
	2000 University Avenue	#ZP2020-0134	March 4, 2021
	2001 Milvia Street		
1634 San Pablo Avenue	#ZP2021-0008	March 4, 2021	
Mill Act Contract Applications  City Council Resolution 59,355	1 Orchard Lane	#LMMA2020-0001	December 3, 2020
	1581 Le Roy Avenue	#LMMA2019-0004	December 3, 2020
Section 106 Referrals  National Preservation Act	1740 San Pablo Avenue	-	August 6, 2020
	2001 Ashby Avenue	-	January 7, 2021
	2527 San Pablo Avenue	-	March 4, 2021
Design Review Referrals  BMC 23E.12.020.B	2246 Fifth Street	#DRSL2021-0001	April 1, 2021

**Part 4: LPC Agenda Discussions Held**

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>
Notice of Preparation of Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for Southside Zoning Ordinance Amendments	Received presentation from City staff.	Submitted comments for the City's consideration.	August 6, 2020 September 3, 2020
Archaeological Resources and Native Cultural Heritage in Berkeley Discussion	Received a Commissioner memorandum and discussed possible future action(s).	Awaiting further information.	December 3, 2020 January 7, 2021
UC Long Range Development Plan and DEIR	Discussed UC LRDP and Draft EIR and authorized Chair to draft a letter to UC on behalf of the Commission.	Submitted comments for the UC's consideration.	April 1, 2021
Certified Local Government (CLG) Annual Report to the State Historic Preservation Office	Reviewed draft report and provided advisory comments as part of the City's CLG reporting requirements.	Submitted requisite report.	April 1, 2021
City Council Resolution 69,737 to End Exclusionary Zoning in Berkeley	Discussed City Council Resolution declaring the intention to allow multifamily zoning in neighborhoods throughout Berkeley by December 2022.	Awaiting further discussion.	April 1, 2021 May 6, 2021
Pending Revisions to Landmarks Preservation Ordinance BMC Section 3.24.110	Considered and advised staff on possible technical revisions to the text of BMC Section 3.24.110.A.1.a-b.	Provided comments for staff's consideration.	May 6, 2021

**Part 5: LPC Agenda Presentations Received**

Topic	Presenter	Date
Berkeley's Civic Center Vision and Implementation Plan	City's Office of Economic Development staff presented information on the status of the plan and public process.	October 1, 2020
Measure T-1 Infrastructure Program Phase 2 Information Report	City's Parks, Recreation & Waterfront Director provided an update on progress of Measure T1 Program.	November 5, 2020
University California Long Range Development Plan (UC LRDP) Presentation	UC staff presented the draft LRDP, including information about two proposed housing projects on City Landmark properties.	November 5, 2020
	Berkeley Architectural Heritage Association made a presentation regarding the UC LRDP and its anticipated impacts to City Landmark sites.	

