



## Cultural Heritage Committee Minutes

October 28, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

Council Chambers, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo

Cultural Heritage Committee Members Present: Member Benjamin Arrona, Member John Ashbaugh, Member Daniel Bernard, Member Sabin Gray, Member Ivan Simon, Vice Chair John Tischler, Chair Chuck Crotser

City Staff Present: Principal Planner Brian Leveille, Deputy City Clerk Kevin Christian, Deputy City Clerk Sara Armas

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the San Luis Obispo Cultural Heritage Committee was called to order on October 28, 2024 at 5:32 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo, by Chair Crotser.

### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Public Comment:

None

*--End of Public Comment--*

### 3. CONSENT

#### 3.a CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES - AUGUST 26, 2024 CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Motion By** Member Ashbaugh

**Second By** Member Arrona

To approve the Cultural Heritage Committee Minutes of August 26, 2024.

Ayes (7): Member Arrona, Member Ashbaugh, Member Bernard, Member Gray, Member Simon, Vice Chair Tischler, and Chair Crotser

CARRIED (7 to 0)

**4. PUBLIC HEARING**

4.a 466 DANA STREET (ARCH-0329-2022) CONSTRUCTION OF 20 LOW TO VERY LOW INCOME AFFORDABLE HOMES AND REHABILITATION OF THE HISTORIC ROSA BUTRÓN ADOBE

Housing Coordinator David Amini presented the staff report and responded to Committee inquiries.

Applicant representative Anne Wyatt, Smart Housing Solutions Director, provided a brief overview of the project and responded to questions raised. Dana Hunter, project architect, also responded to questions raised.

Chair Crotser opened the Public Hearing

Public Comment:

Ken Burgess

Leslie Halls

Steve Barasch

Ashley Gastineau

Lea Brooks

Tim Waag

Joel Petry

Miriam Sullivan

Tina Tuohy

Ursula Bishop

Stephanie Teaford

Erik Berg-Johansen

*--End of Public Comment--*

Chair Crotser closed Public Comment

**Motion By** Chair Crotser

**Second By** Member Gray

Recommend to the Planning Commission that the proposed project is consistent with the City’s Historic Preservation Ordinance, with the following recommendations:

1. Evaluate the period of significance in the Historic Resources Report for the potential the historic period of significance extends to 1989.
2. Evaluate the potential that the site is believed to have been the original location of Mission San Luis Obispo from 1775 to 1788.
3. Include requirements for construction staff training for the possibility that burial sites and artifacts may be encountered from the Mission era.
4. Include historical signage that reflects all periods of significance and the cultural narrative of the site.

Ayes (4): Member Ashbaugh, Member Gray, Member Simon, and Chair Crotser

Noes (3): Member Arrona, Member Bernard, and Vice Chair Tischler

CARRIED (4 to 3)

## 5. COMMENT AND DISCUSSION

### 5.a 2025-27 CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMITTEE GOAL SETTING AND THE FINANCIAL PLAN PROCESS

Principal Planner Brian Leveille lead the discussion on Committee goals and work programs for the 2025-27 Financial Plan.

Chair Crotser opened Public Comment

Public Comment:

Anne Wyatt

--End of Public Comment--

**Motion By** Member Ashbaugh

**Second By** Vice Chair Tischler

The Committee would like to continue with previously recommended goals from Fiscal Year 2023-2025, with minor amendments:

1. **Historic Inventory & Historic Preservation Ordinance Update** – Allocate additional funds and resources to further advance the in-progress comprehensive update of the City's inventory of historic resources and associated updates to the Historic Preservation Ordinance as recommended by the consultant led preliminary phase assessment and recommendations completed by historic consultant Page and Turnbull.
2. **City Owned Adobes** – Support efforts with additional funding to improve the structural condition, historic integrity, and appropriate cultural interpretation of the four City-owned adobes in light of the City's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion goals. In particular, continue to support efforts to stabilize, restore, and rehabilitate the La Loma Adobe and provide funding in support of the rehabilitation of the Rosa Butron Adobe.
3. **Public Information** - Provide information to increase awareness and support of the Historic Preservation Program and Historic Resources Inventory update project including opportunities for participation; and, pursue opportunities for appropriate cultural interpretation of historic resources with a focus on including City goals to advance Diversity, Equity, and inclusion. Incorporate digital technology in the city's interpretive program, and seek additional funding from Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) for a "plaque program".

Ayes (7): Member Arrona, Member Ashbaugh, Member Bernard, Member Gray, Member Simon, Vice Chair Tischler, and Chair Crotser

CARRIED (7 to 0)

5.b STAFF UPDATES AND AGENDA FORECAST

Principal Planner Brian Leveille provided a brief update regarding the upcoming November 25, 2024 meeting, proposing they have a Special Meeting on November 18, 2024 and cancel the Regular Meeting on November 25, 2024 due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m. The next Regular Meeting of the Cultural Heritage Committee is scheduled for November 25, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo.

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APPROVED BY CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMITTEE: XX/XX/2024