

MINUTES: of the Historic and Scenic Preservation Commission (HSPC) meeting of the City of Redlands held on April 2, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. are as follows:

MEMBERS Kurt Heidelberg, Chair
PRESENT: Steven Holm, Vice Chair
Lauren Bricker, Commissioner
Nathan Gonzales, Commissioner
Justine Guidry, Commissioner
Greg Weissman, Commissioner
Bridget Lawlor, Commissioner

STAFF Brian Foote, City Planner
PRESENT: Rosemary Montoya, Associate Planner

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE

The Commission was in full attendance and called to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – 3 MINUTES

(At this time, the public has the opportunity to address the Commission on any item of interest within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission that does not appear on this agenda. The Commission may not discuss or take any action on any public comment made, except that the Commissioners or staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by members of the public.)

Chair Kurt Heidelberg opened the Public Comment Period. There were no comments forthcoming, and the Public Comment Period was closed.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Meeting Minutes of December 4, 2025

MOTION

It was moved by Commissioner Greg Weissman, seconded by Commissioner Nathan Gonzales, and carried a vote of 7-0 to approve the December 4, 2025, HSPC meeting minutes.

IV. OLD BUSINESS - None

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. JEFFREY MARTIN ASHBAKER, APPLICANT (PROJECT PLANNER: ROSEMARY MONTOYA)

PUBLIC HEARING to consider **Demolition No. 402** – A request to demolish an approximately 189 square-foot detached garage over 50 years of age located at 25 San Gorgonio Drive (APN: 0171-202-26-0000). This proposal may qualify for exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301(l)(4) (Existing Facilities) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Chair Heidelberg opened the Public Hearing.

Rosemary Montoya, Associate Planner, provided an overview and presentation of the proposal and stated she and the applicant were available to answer any questions.

There were no comments forthcoming, and Chair Heidelberg closed the Public Hearing.

MOTION

It was moved by Commissioner Nathan Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Bridget Lawlor, and carried a vote of 7-0 that the Historic and Scenic Preservation Commission adopt Resolution No. 2026-01, to determine that Demolition Permit No. 402 was exempt from environmental review under Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) of the CEQA Guidelines, and approve Demolition Permit No. 402 based on the facts within this staff report, and subject to the Conditions of Approval.

B. CITY OF REDLANDS, DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT (BRIAN FOOTE, CITY PLANNER/PLANNING MANAGER)

Review of the 2024-2025 Certified Local Government (CLG) Annual Report. Staff will provide a summary and description of the draft 24-25 Annual Report in accordance with the requirements for a Certified Local Government by the California Office of Historic Preservation.

Miss Montoya provided an overview and presentation of the proposal. She stated that this item is an annual report of the city's participation in the Certified Local Government (CLG) program, covering the period from October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025. The report will be submitted to the California Office of Historic Preservation by the April 24, 2026, deadline. She noted that no motion or recommendation is required for this item; she is only requesting feedback from the Commission.

Commissioner Lauren Bricker praised staff for a well-prepared report and said this would be an opportunity for updates.

Brian Foote, City Planner, stated that as of September 2025, an RFP for a citywide Historic Reconnaissance Survey has not yet been issued; however, a Reconnaissance Survey is upcoming. He said the agreement with the Architectural Resources Group will be on the City Council agenda on April 7, 2026, and he discussed the following scope of work:

- Task 1 – Background review and goals
- Task 2 - Community engagement (outreach with some local groups)
- Task 3 – Reconnaissance Survey
- Task 4 – Intensive Level Surveys
- Task 5 - Final report and presentation to the HSPC, then to the City Council, if desired

Commissioner Bricker inquired about the possibility of the report extending beyond the period under review. Mr. Foote responded to Commissioner Bricker’s inquiry.

VI. DISCUSSION, POSSIBLE ACTION, AND INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Informational items provided by City Staff

Mr. Foote mentioned that the California Preservation Foundation Conference will be held in Riverside from May 6-9, 2026. He noted that two Commissioners have already registered, and he invited other Commissioners who are interested and available to attend. Those interested Commissioners should notify staff so the city can cover their registration costs.

Commissioner Lawlor stated that she will serve on a panel for the Friday morning session to discuss house relocation following the Eaton Fire. She will also host a bus tour on Saturday in Murietta Hot Springs and at the Perris Depot.

Commissioner Bricker stated that she is moderating a session on Friday afternoon regarding prehistoric houses in varying states of repair.

B. Commissioner Announcements

None.

ADJOURN TO REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING ON MAY 7, 2026

Chair Heidelberg adjourned the HSPC meeting at 7:18 P.M. to the next regularly scheduled HSPC meeting to be held on May 7, 2026.

Sonya Flint
Administrative Assistant

Brian Foote
City Planner