



## ADVISORY BODY ANNUAL REPORT

Advisory Body Name: Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee (HLAC)  
Advisory Body Meeting Time/Location: Quarterly (Feb, May, Aug, and Nov), 2nd Tues of the month at 2PM  
Chair (during the reporting period): Carol Jensen  
Staff Person (during the reporting period): Dominique Vogelpohl, Department of Conservation and Development  
Reporting Period: January 1, 2022 - December 31, 2022

### I. Activities

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*Describe the activities for the past year including areas of study, work, special events, collaborations, etc.*

HLAC has consistently provided feedback on active County development projects pertaining to historical resources, such as: Byron Hot Springs in Byron, the Knightsen Saloon in the Knightsen Historic District, contributor buildings to the Diablo Historic District, and the Eugene A. Bridgford house in Bethel Island.

HLAC has provided a valuable platform for public comment with respect to County historical resources, and has provided consistent engagement with outside historical and conservation organizations such as: Envision 2040, the Diablo Historic Preservation Committee, the Contra Costa County Historical Society, the Knightsen Historical Society, and East Bay for Everyone.

HLAC continues to stay involved in the in-progress County General Plan update.

HLAC continues to draft a potential County Historic Preservation Ordinance to be considered with the County Zoning Ordinance update.

HLAC Chair, Carol Jensen, continues to be represent the HLAC in being an active member of the National Heritage Area Management Plan Advisory Committee for the Delta Protection Commission.

### II. Accomplishments

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*Describe the accomplishments for the past year, particularly in reference to your work plan and objectives.*

HLAC continues to provide feedback to Envision 2040 throughout the drafting of the Historical and Cultural Resources Section of the Conservation, Open Space, and Managed Lands Element for the General Plan update.

HLAC accepted two new members, Anthony Geisler and David Yuers. Now all vacancies are filled.

III. Attendance/Representation

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*Describe your membership in terms of seat vacancies, diversity, level of participation, and frequency of achieving a quorum at meetings.*

The five-member HLAC is comprised of four Contra Costa County Historical Society (CCCHS) members and the Deputy Director of the Department of Conservation and Development, Community Development Division.

Meetings held in 2022: February 10, February 24 (Special Meeting), May 12, June 2 (Special Meeting), August 11, and November 10

Melissa Jacobson (Vice Chair), Seat 1: Present, Present, Present, Present, Present, Present

Melinda McCrary and David Yuers, Seat 2: Absent, Melinda Present, David Present, David Present, David Present, David Present

Vacant and Anthony Geisler, Seat 3: Vacant, Vacant, Anthony Present, Anthony Present, Anthony Present, Anthony Present

Carol Jensen (Chair), Seat 4: Present, Present, Present, Present, Present, Present

Aruna Bhat, Deputy Director: Present, Absent, Present, Present, Present, Present

IV. Training/Certification

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*Describe any training that was provided or conducted, and any certifications received, either as a requirement or done on an elective basis by members. NOTE: Please forward copies of any training certifications to the Clerk of the Board.*

All HLAC members, including both new members Anthony Geisler and David Yuers, are up to date with their Training Certification for Member of County Advisory Body and Public Service Ethics Education Certification.

V. Proposed Work Plan/Objectives for Next Year

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*Describe the advisory body's workplan, including specific objectives to be achieved in the upcoming year.*

HLAC will continue its engagement with Envision 2040 with respect to the General Plan update, and for the Zoning Code update to include a Historic Preservation Ordinance.

HLAC will continue its efforts in updating the Historic Resources Inventory (HRI).

HLAC would like to explore engagement with the City jurisdictions within the County with respect to historic preservation, especially when it comes to resources listed in the County's HRI.

HLAC will move forward in creating by laws that includes a new nomination process for HLAC members.

HLAC Chair, Carol Jensen, to continue participating in the National Heritage Area Management Plan Advisory Committee.