

Exhibit D

OBJECTIVE ARC-8.2 HISTORIC RESOURCES

To protect and where possible restore buildings, sites and districts of historic significance to preserve the rich cultural heritage of the community.

Policies

ARC-8.2.1 Historic Preservation Program. Maintain, update, and strengthen, where appropriate, the County Historic Resource Preservation ordinance with the assistance of the Historic Resources Commission in accordance with the State Office of Historic Preservation.

ARC-8.2.2 Historic Resources Inventory. Maintain and update a County Historic Resources Inventory to describe those historic structures, objects, properties, sites, and districts which have been designated by the Board of Supervisors for protection of their heritage values.

ARC-8.2.3 Development Activities. For development activities on property containing historic resources, require protection, enhancement, and/or preservation of the historic, cultural, architectural, engineering, or aesthetic values of the resource consistent with regulations in the Historic Preservation ordinance as determined by the Historic Resources Commission.

ARC-8.2.4 Historic Resources Commission Review. Require that applicants for development proposals on property containing a designated historic resource submit plans for the protection and preservation of the historic resource values to the Historic Resources Commission for its review and approval; require an evaluation and report by a professional historian or a cultural resources consultant when required by the Commission. To expedite the review process, allow minor alterations to be reviewed by trained County Staff.

ARC-8.2.5 Encourage Protection of Historic Structures. Encourage and support public and private efforts to protect and restore historic structures and to continue their use as an integral part of the community.

See also Policy PPF-2.3.2: Cultural and Historical Resources.

ARC-8.2.6 Maintain Designation as a Certified Local Government. Support existing and further develop local historic resource programs in order to maintain the California State Department of Parks and Recreation's designation of Santa Cruz County as a Certified Local Government (CLG).

ARC-8.2.7 Historic Resource Property Maintenance. Encourage the maintenance and upkeep of historic resources to avoid the need for major rehabilitation and to reduce the risks of demolition, loss through fire or neglect, or impacts from natural disasters.

ARC-8.2.8 Environmental Review. Environmental review shall be required for any project with the potential to significantly impact historic resources.

Implementation Strategies

ARC-8.2a Continue to sponsor investigative research to identify new historic resources and maintain and update an inventory of historic structures, objects, sites, and districts of significance to Santa Cruz County. Seek funding for updating the Santa Cruz County Historic Resources Inventory, prioritizing

surveys in areas that have not been updated recently. (Responsibility: Historical Resources Commission, Board of Supervisors, CDID)

ARC-8.2b Update information on the Planning Department website regarding resources and incentives available to property owners to maintain and improve historic properties, including existing Zoning incentives, the California Historic Building Code, grants, and tax incentives. (Responsibility: CDID)

ARC-8.2c Encourage educational programs on historic resources, including educational programs regarding historic and cultural resources in the County Parks system. (Responsibility: CDID; Historic Resources Commission; local historic museums; Parks Department)

See also policies BE-3.4.6; Heritage Tourism and PPF-2.3.3: Interpretive Programs.

ARC-8.2d Nominate County historic resources to appropriate registries such as the California or National Register. (Responsibility: Historic Resources Commission, CDID)

ARC-8.2e Attempt to include appropriate historic resources in the public domain through donations or through purchase as part of open space and other programs. (Responsibility: Historic Resources Commission, CDID, Board of Supervisors)

See also Policy PPF-2.3.2: Cultural and Historical Resources

ARC-8.2f Investigate sources of funding for private and public historic restoration and make such information available to the public. (Responsibility: Historic Resources Commission, County Historic Museums, CDID, County Administrative Office)

ARC-8.2g Apply the State Historic Building Code to County designated historic buildings, (Responsibility: CDID, Historic Resources Commission, Planning Commission, Board of Supervisors)

ARC-8.2h Consider applying for grant funds and updating the County Historic Context Statement to provide a more complete context with which to evaluate the significance of historic properties and assist in identifying properties that may qualify for listing on the Historic Resources Inventory. (Responsibility: CDID, Historic Resources Commission, Planning Commission, Board of Supervisors)

ARC-8.2i Consider adoption of the Mills Act, to grant local property tax subsidies to recognized historic structures to encourage rehabilitation. (Responsibility: CDID, Historic Resources Commission, Board of Supervisors)

ARC-8.2j Inventory County-owned properties of historic significance and develop plans for their protection, restoration, or adaptive reuse. (Responsibility: CDID; Parks, Open Space and Cultural Resources)

ARC-8.2k Where possible, provide incentives to property owners to foster historic preservation. Maintain and consider revising County zoning regulations to include allowances for façade easements, favorable tax assessments such as taxing at pre-rehabilitation values, parking reductions, transfer of development rights, expanded and greater flexibility for uses allowed, density bonuses, and design assistance. Study the zoning of historic buildings to guard against economic incentives to demolish said buildings for more intense development, and to develop incentives for retaining and maintaining historic resources. (Responsibility: CDID, Historic Resources Commission, Board of Supervisors)

ARC-8.2l Participate in grants-in-aid programs as they become available to help finance restoration projects and stimulate the economic vitality of historic neighborhoods. (Responsibility: CDID, Historic Resources Commission, County Administrative Office)

ARC-8.2m Maintain deed recordation of properties listed in the County Historic Resources Inventory to ensure that knowledge of the historic status of the property is known to all parties at the time of the sale. (Responsibility: CDID, Office of the Recorder)

ARC-8.2n Provide on-going training of Planning and Building Staff in the knowledge and use of the California Historic Building Code. (Responsibility: CDID)

ARC-8.2o Consider designation of historic districts in areas such as Soquel Village, Boulder Creek Churches Hill, Pasatiempo and Aptos Village, where community support exists for such designations. Provide design guidelines to ensure compatible infill by setting standards for elements such as height, scale, and roof line for new construction and additions. (Responsibility: CDID, Historic Resources Commission)

ARC-8.2p Support local museums and other local organizations involved in historic preservation to increase community awareness and appreciation of the value and importance of historic preservation. (Responsibility: Historic Resources Commission. CDID; Parks Department)

ARC-8.2q Continue the review of proposed applications for demolition of any structure more than 50 years old that has not been previously surveyed for historic significance, and require a historic report prepared by a qualified historic consultant for structures that may have the potential to qualify as a historic resource as determined by County Planning staff. (Responsibility: CDID)