

Historic Resource Commission

Goals Action Items

June 8, 2026

- **This is a review of Goals and associated Action Items tasked at the Nov 3, 2025 special meeting. No goals reporting at Feb 9 or Apr 27th meetings**
- **For each Goal's Action Item, the Commission will review and determine the following:**
- **Has the Action Item been completed, documented as such and moved to archive status**
- **OR**
- **Is there more activity needed to complete the Action Item**
- **OR**
- **Should a new goal be identified**

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- **The agenda for this presentation is:**
 - **Goals Opened**
 - **# 2, 3A, 3B, 6, 15, & 16**
 - **Goals with no activity to report**
 - **#1, 2, 5, & 15**
 - **Goals closed at the Nov 3, 2025 meeting**
 - **None**
 - **Goals Archived on Nov 3, 2025**
 - **None**
 - **Goals Archived Since June 2019**
 - **#5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14**

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- **Goal #1: Training Opportunities**
- **Goal Description: Identify training opportunities for HRC Board**
- **Action Items:**
 - **1.** Board and staff discussed and identified possible training opportunities. Staff will verify what webinars are still available for viewing and inform the Commission.
 - **AI #1:** Staff will present training opportunities at Feb 11, 2025 meeting
 - **AI #2:** Staff made contact with SCZ City Preservation Council regarding shared training
 - **2.** Commissioner Phillips requested asking knowledgeable speakers on Santa Cruz ethnic, cultural, and/or religious communities to provide broader training to the Commission be added to the next meeting agenda.
 - **AI #1:** Staff suggested using CLG funds for obtaining educational training. Will report at Feb 11, 2025 mtg
 - **3.** California Preservation Foundation 2024 conference held May 6 – 10, 2025 in Sacramento. Staff will research options for participating in any workshops

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- **Goal #2: Cleanup of Historic Resources Inventory**
- **Goal Description:** Correct, update, and add information to ensure that Historic Resources Inventory is accurate and current
- Each Commissioner will conduct 3 site visits quarterly and document any changes, which will be forwarded to staff to review before next meeting.
- When Staff receives updated DPR information they will update Inventory and report at next meeting
- Commissioners discussed DPR inventory photo update procedures

Action Items:

- **AI #1: Commissioners will strive to conduct 3 site visits between meetings**

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- **Goal 3B Goal: Demolition By Neglect Activity**
- **Goal Description:** Create new ordinance for Demolition by Neglect for Inventory property neglect
 - Commission discussed meeting with individual Supervisors to encourage approval of adding additional wordage for Demolition by Neglect
 - A new section has been added: Section 1, 16.42.060 (E) – Duty to Maintain Structures and Premises.
- **Action Item:**
 - Staff report at June 8, 2026 meeting on possible Board of Supervisors agenda date

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- **Goal 3A Goal: Demolition & Partial Demolition**
- **Goal Description.** Staff presented drafts of both updated ordinances at July 17, 2023 meeting. Commission discussed changes and agreed with new wording.
- Staff updated Commission at Feb 2, 2026 meeting. Wordage of both ordinances have been rewritten and are not ready for review by the Commission
- **Action Item # 1a: (Disregard wordage below)**
 - Demolition Code Amendment will state:
'If structure not listed on the Historic Resources Inventory and is over 50 years old, it will require a demolition permit and a review by Planning Department staff. If structure meets the Historic Resources Inventory listing criteria, a California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) form will be completed'.
- **Action Item # 1b: (Disregard wordage below)**
 - Demolition Code Amendment will state:
'Allow additional uses for structures listed on the Historical Resources Inventory beyond those allowed in the zoned district where such a use can support viable uses for the property including repair and restoration'.
- **Action Item # 1C:**
 - County will provide additional language for Demolition. On hold at this time

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- **Goal #6: Update and Maintain HRC Website**
- **Goal Description:** Update SC County HRC website current with information about HRC information, local history events, and resource preservation
- Santa Cruz County website update is completed.
- Commissioners discussed unwieldy pathway to Historic Resources Commission information and locating DPR information

AI #1: No update at this time

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- **Goal #15: Mills Act Contracts Implementation**
- **Goal Description:** Staff and Commission will follow the implementation and management of new Mills Act contracts
- Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the implementation of a Mills Act on May ?, 2025
- Staff will work with the Santa Cruz County Assessor's office in identifying eligible properties for notification. Possible application submittal could be Jan 26, 2026. Implementation would be at the beginning of next fiscal year, July 26, 2026
- Apr 28, 2026 meeting – Staff reported that internal processes must be finalized before implementation. Budget funds of \$10,000 earmarked for Mills Act . Commissioners encouraged to meet with Supervisors about implementing Mills Act
- Staff will report status at June 8, 2026 meeting

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- **Goal #16: Context Statement Updating**
- **Goal Description:** Update Santa Cruz County Historic Context Statement
- Dudeck provided final report with recommendations for next phase of updating Context Statement
- Commission will discuss strategies at June 8, 2026 meeting for updating Context Statement