City of Goleta
Historic Preservation Ordinance Workshop #3
June 24, 2019
HISTORIC RESOURCES GROUP
Workshop Agenda

• Presentation by Staff & Consultants
• Questions from Planning Commission
• Public Comment
• Commission Feedback
Preservation Ordinance: Overview

- Tool to protect historic and cultural resources in Goleta
- Part of a multi-faceted, comprehensive program aimed at protecting historic resources
- Injects an element of certainty into local development regulatory processes
- Fosters compatible economic development while preserving the community’s historic and cultural values
Preservation Ordinance: Overview

- Tailored to address the particular needs and resources of the community
- Uses the City’s existing General Plan and other standards including the Municipal Code as a guide for overall preservation goals and objectives
- Adoption includes a public participation process
Issues Discussed during May 13 Workshop

The May 13th meeting covered general provisions in the ordinance related to the built environment

1. Eligibility criteria & potential for tiered system
2. Historic Districts
3. Who can nominate properties
4. Appropriate review body
5. Regulations
6. Potential incentives
Considerations for Discussion (1 of 4)

What level of Native American Consultation should be conducted beyond what is already mandated by State Law?

• City of Goleta follows AB 52 and SB 18 regarding when and how to engage in consultation with the local Native American tribes.
  • SB 18 is applicable when a General Plan Amendment is proposed
  • AB 52 is applicable to all other discretionary projects subject to CEQA provisions
• What types of ministerial projects might warrant consultation?
  • Who should be contacted?
Considerations for Discussion (2 of 4)

When is archaeological monitoring required and under what circumstances?

• Currently occurs whenever there is ground disturbance associated with a discretionary project where an impact on an archaeological resource may occur.

• Should archaeological monitoring occur with a ministerial project subject only to a building permit (e.g. sewer line or irrigation line replacement at a single-family home or commercial property)?
  
  • Added cost to property owners
  
  • Intrusion on property rights
Considerations for Discussion (3 of 4)

When is peer review of archaeological reports required?

- Not all archaeological reports submitted to the City as part of a discretionary application package are peer reviewed.
- Type and size of project
- Sensitivity of location/context
- Qualifications/reputation of preparer
Considerations for Discussion (4 of 4)

What circumstances/criteria warrant the requirement for archaeological investigations

• Current practice:
  • Projects on known archaeological sites
  • Sacred Lands file indicates potential archaeological resources
  • Native American consultation indicates high levels of concern
• Are there other factors that should be used as a requirement for archaeological investigations?
Next Steps

Development of Draft Ordinance

- City Staff and Project Team
- Incorporate community input

Information about the Historic Preservation project can be found at historicgoleta.org