



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Report to the Historical Resources Board

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SUBJECT: **ITEM #4 – CREATION OF AN AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE**

DESCRIPTION: Consider the creation of an ad hoc Subcommittee for the purposes of discussing the Historical Resources Board Designation Criteria.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Create an ad hoc Subcommittee for the purposes of discussing the Historical Resources Board Designation Criteria.

BACKGROUND

The Board's adopted procedures state that ad hoc subcommittees may be established on an as-needed basis. *"Ad hoc subcommittees may be stand alone subcommittees of the Board, combined subcommittees including representation from other agencies, or subcommittees of other agencies with Board representation by one or more Board members. Ad hoc subcommittees typically provide the Board with recommendations related to the purpose for which the subcommittee was established... Establishment of ad hoc subcommittees... shall be by a majority vote of the Board at a regular or special Board meeting."*

During the General Boardmember Comments portion of the January 22, 2026 board meeting, Boardmember McCullough proposed the topic of proactively designating Masters; specifically more of the recent architects and landscape architects who have worked in the City. Staff suggested incorporation of that discussion in the work of the Preservation and Progress Initiative. After a brief Board dialog, the Board concluded that the creation of an ad hoc Subcommittee focusing on the [Historical Resources Board Designation Criteria](#) should be agendized for the Policy Subcommittee.

ANALYSIS

After discussion at the February 9, 2026 Policy Subcommittee meeting, the Subcommittee members reached a consensus to recommend to the Historical Resources Board creation of an ad hoc Subcommittee for the purposes of discussing the *Historical Resources Board Designation Criteria*. The Subcommittee will work independently of the other Subcommittees and will be able to directly make recommendations to the Board. The frequency, dates and times of the Subcommittee meetings will be determined based on the availability of the Subcommittee members.

CONCLUSION

Staff recommends the creation of an ad hoc Subcommittee for the purposes of discussing the Historical Resources Board Designation Criteria consistent with the consensus of the Policy Subcommittee.



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