

Development Services Department

Historical Resources Board

September 27, 2018

ITEM 6

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Joel Brown/Martin V. Melhorn Spec House # 3



Project Summary

Description:

Consider the designation of the Joel Brown/Martin V. Melhorn Spec House #3 located at 4130 Lark Street as a historical resource.

Staff**Recommendation:**

Designate the Joel Brown/Martin V. Melhorn Spec House #3 located at 4130 Lark Street as a historical resource with a period of significance of 1916 under HRB Criteria C and D. The designation excludes the 1929 addition at the southern portion of the house, and the 2000 kitchen addition at the western portion of the house, constructed outside of the period of significance.

Property Information

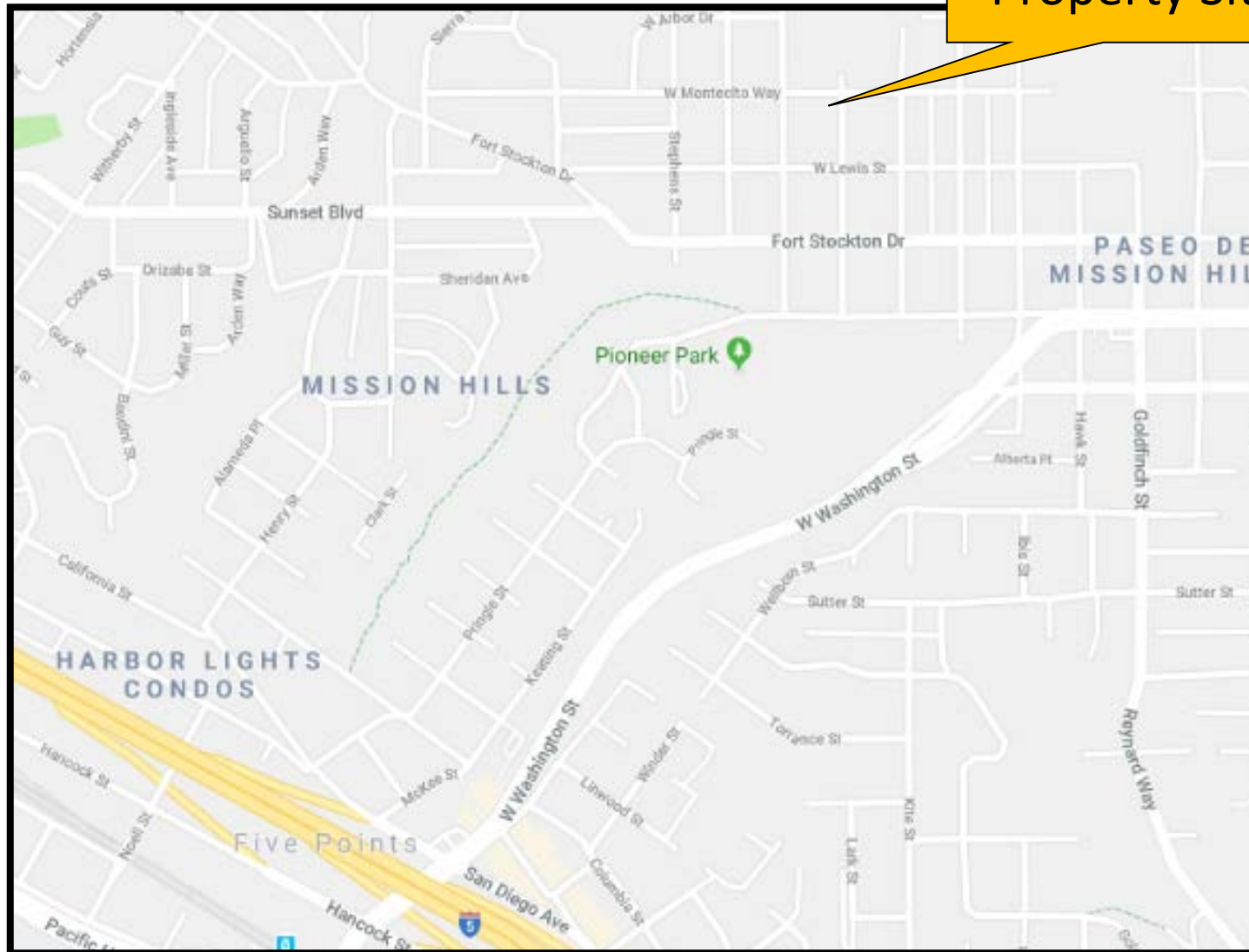
Location: 4130 Lark Street

APN(S): 443-484-11-00

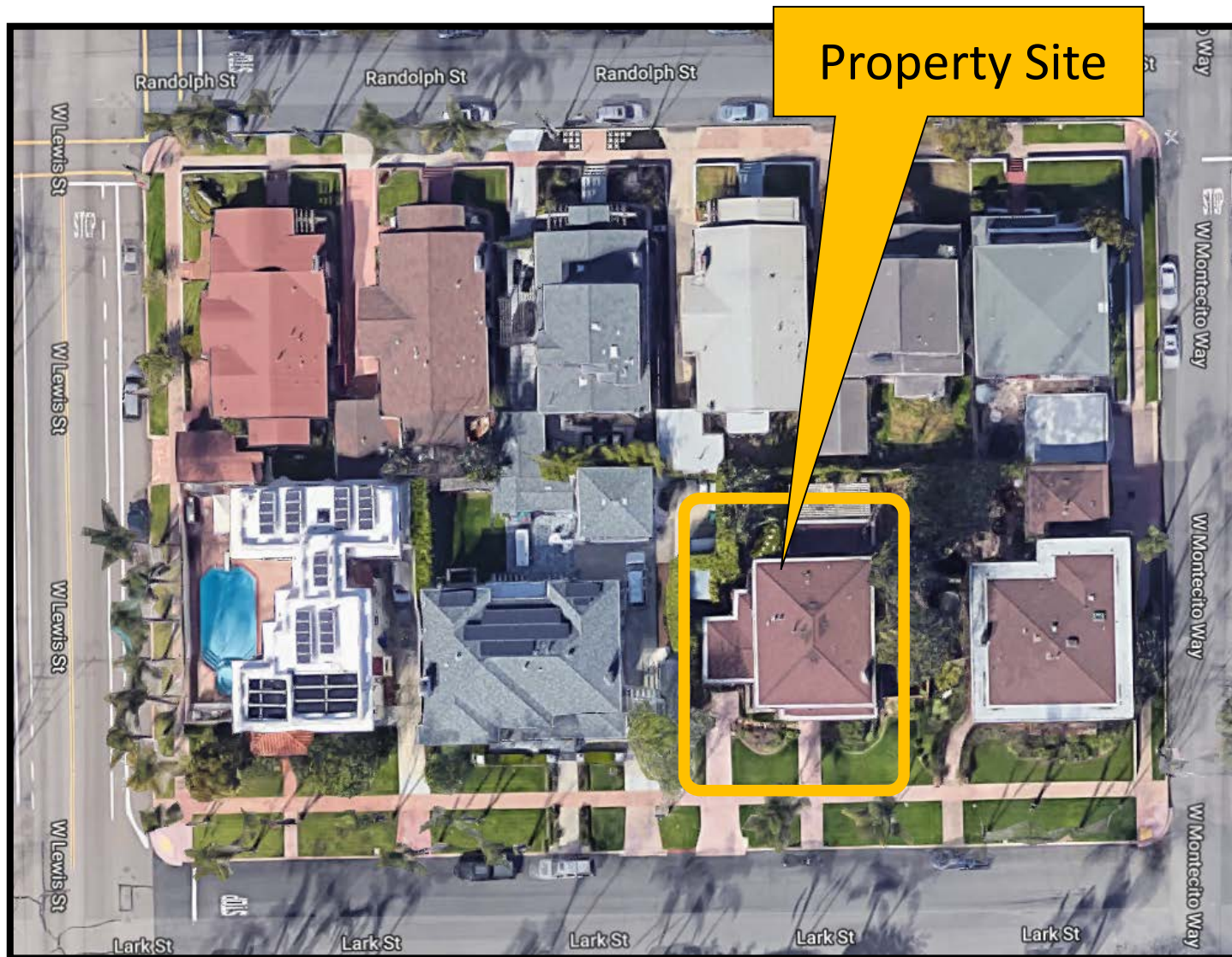
Community: Uptown

Council District: 3

Location Map



Aerial Photograph



Property Photos



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Street Façade

Property Photos



Criterion A

Staff is not recommending
designation under HRB
Criterion A.

Criterion B

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Criterion C

Prairie Style – Recommending Designation

- Low-pitched, hipped roof with deep overhangs
- Two-story massing with single-story porch
- Horizontal design details
- Wood windows
- Rectilinear wall caps

Criterion D

Master Architect Joel Brown and Master Builder Martin V. Melhorn – Recommending Designation

- Retains integrity from its 1916 design
- Representative of a notable work of Joel Brown
 - *Specifically, the resource was built on speculation by Brown in addition to other nearby properties he designed on Lark Street in the Prairie style*
- Representative of a notable work of Martin V. Melhorn
 - *Specifically, the house is notable as a good example of Melhorn's period of early work in the Prairie style approximately between 1911-1916.*

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