



CITY OF ANGELS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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DATE: August 13, 2026
TO: City of Angels Planning Commission
FROM: Amy Augustine, AICP – City Planner
RE: Public Hearing: Resolution of Intent 26-11 recommending to the City Council adding 1141 South Main Street, Assessor's Parcel Number 062-003-033, to the City of Angels Register of Cultural Resources (RCR)

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Resolution of Intent 26-11 to include:

- A. The church building only and/or
- B. The entire parcel including headstones and Pioneer Hall

BACKGROUND/PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

LANDOWNER/
APPLICANT: St. Gabriel Orthodox Church

LOCATION: 1141 South Main Street

ASSESSOR'S PARCEL
NUMBER: 062-003-033

GENERAL PLAN /
ZONING Historical Commercial (HC)

PROJECT: Addition to the City of Angels Register of Cultural Resources

ANALYSIS:

The City of Angels Register of Cultural Resources (City of Angels RCR) was adopted by the City Council on October 18, 2022, per City Council Resolution 22-71. The owners have requested inclusion on the City of Angels RCR.

Pursuant to the City of Angels RCR, the Planning Commission shall determine:

Whether the property in question is qualified for inclusion on the City of Angels Register of Cultural Resources.

Per Resolution 22-71,

Rule 1: A property is eligible for consideration to be listed on the City of Angels Register of Cultural Resources if it is at least 50 years old and meets one of the following criteria:

- A. *It exemplifies or reflects significant elements of the City of Angels' cultural, social, religious, economic, political, engineering or architectural history;*
- B. *It is identified with historical persons or with important events in local, state or national history;*
- C. *It embodies distinguished architectural characteristics valuable for a study of a period style or method of construction or is a valuable example of the use of indigenous materials or workmanship;*
- D. *It is representative of a notable work of a master builder or architect;*
- E. *It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places or is a contributing structure in a district listed on the National Register of Historic Places;*
- F. *It is listed on the California Register of Historical Resources or is a contributing structure in a district listed on the California Register of Historical Resources;*
- G. *It is currently zoned :H (Historic combining district) under Title 17 of the City of Angels Municipal Code;*
- H. *It has been declared eligible for listing on a local, state, or national register of cultural resources pursuant to an inventory conducted by a qualified cultural resources professional pursuant to the standards and criteria established pursuant to the National Register of Historic Places and/or California Register of Historical Resources;*
- I. *It has been evaluated and determined eligible for listing on a local, state, or national register of cultural resources either individually or as a contributor to a district pursuant to the Historic Resources Inventory and Evaluations, Historic Commercial Center, Angels Camp, CA, April 2011 prepared under Community Development Block Grant #08-EDEF-5782 by Foothill Resources, Ltd. and as that inventory may be amended.*
- J. *Properties zoned with the Historic Combining District (:H) designation*

Project Location – 1141 South Main Street



Per findagrave.com the property:

Beginning in the 1850s, a public burial ground, the Old Protestant Cemetery, was on the site. *“A local church was organized on the property in 1869 and was served by a traveling pastor. In 1900 the church was reorganized and in 1902 the name Union Congregational was adopted. In 1904 the present church was built on the cemetery property. In 1915, the Church relocated the graves and remains in the cemetery to the Altaville Protestant Cemetery and other locations nearby. There are seven gravestone monuments still in the churchyard and the names on these headstones are not recorded at the Altaville Cemetery – Charles Coddington, Peter Dumford, Isaac Gore, William Hancock, James Newman, Walter Reed and John Weir”.*

As noted on the attached DPR 523, the Union Congregational Church (now St. Gabriel Orthodox Church), was constructed in 1904. Based on the preceding, Rule 1(A) appears to apply: *The subject parcel exemplifies or reflects significant elements of the City of Angels’ cultural, social, religious, economic, political, engineering or architectural history.*

The resource also could be found eligible under Rule 1(H): The resource has been declared eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places pursuant to an inventory conducted by a qualified cultural resources professional pursuant to the standards and criteria established pursuant to the National Register of Historic Places.

The resource was evaluated as part of the City's 1981 Historic Resources Inventory conducted by the Central Sierra Planning Council. The 1981 inventory assigned the resource a National Register eligibility status of "4S" [see Attached Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) Form 523)] evaluation. "4S" means that the resource may become eligible for separate listing (i.e., as a single resource) in the National Register under certain conditions. The evaluation did not specify what was necessary to make the resource eligible for listing on the National Register. In 2003, in California, "4S" designations were replaced by a designation of "7" to align with the California Register of Historical Resources (which was established in 1998). The "7" designation means the property has not been evaluated or needs re-evaluation for the National Register of Historic Places (i.e., requires re-evaluation using modern standards). Based on the preceding, this criterion may be used. Staff is recommending that it not be used at this time.

Per Resolution 22-71 Rule 3: Upon receipt of an application to be included on the City of Angels Register of Cultural Resources, the Planning Commission also shall determine whether all or part of the parcel under application shall be included on the register.

As noted above, the church includes headstone markers preserved on the church property and an associated "Pioneer Hall," a separate building constructed from old lumber. This provides context for the church. Therefore, staff recommends including the gravestones and Pioneer Hall as part of the listing on the register.

FINDINGS

Based on the preceding, the Planning Commission may find that

1. The church building AND/OR
2. The gravestones and Pioneer Hall

is/are more than 50 years old and should be added to the City of Angels Register of Cultural Resources based on the following finding:

- A. *The property exemplifies or reflects significant elements of the City of Angels' cultural, social, religious, economic, political, engineering or architectural history (Rule 1A).*

The Commission shall forward its recommendations to the City Council. The City Council shall consider the recommendations and take action to include or exclude the property for inclusion on the City of Angels RCR.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

No impacts to the City General Fund are anticipated.

ENVIRONMENTAL FINDING:

Pursuant to the state guidelines for implementing the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the proposed resolution is exempt from further review pursuant to Section 15331, Class 31 Historical Resource Restoration/Rehabilitation because the inclusion of the structure on the City of Angels Inventory of Cultural Resources will allow it to maintain, repair, stabilize, rehabilitate, restore, preserve, conserve or reconstruct an historical resources in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (1995), Weeks and through the application of the State Historic Building Code.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Planning Commission Resolution of Intent 26-11
- B. Department of Parks and Recreation Form 523 (DPR 523) 1981 Evaluation

**CITY OF ANGELS
PLANNING COMMISSION
RESOLUTION OF INTENT NO. 26-11**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ANGELS PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMENDING TO THE
CITY OF ANGELS CITY COUNCIL ADDING 1141 SOUTH MAIN (APN 062-003-033) TO THE
CITY OF ANGELS REGISTER OF CULTURAL RESOURCES**

WHEREAS, the City of Angels Register of Cultural Resources was established on October 18, 2022, by the City of Angels City Council pursuant to Resolution 22-71 as the City's official local register of cultural resources which reflects significant elements of the City of Angels' social, cultural, economic, political, architectural, or engineering history; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission is charged with determining whether the properties in question are qualified for inclusion on the City of Angels Register of Cultural Resources; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission considered the qualifications of the subject building at its meeting of August 13, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the building at 1141 South Main Street on Assessor's Parcel 062-003-033 exemplifies or reflects significant elements of the City of Angels' cultural, social, religious, economic, political, engineering or architectural history (Rule 1A); and

WHEREAS, the listing was requested by the landowner;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Angels Planning Commission recommends to the City Council, the addition of the church building, gravestones and Pioneer Hall at 1141 South Main on Assessor's Parcel 062-003-033 to the City of Angels Register of Cultural Resources.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of August 2026, on a motion by _____
seconded by _____ by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Jon Broeder, Chair

Caytlyn Schaner, Deputy City Clerk



HOME OF THE JUMPING FROG

Attachment B - DPR 523

State of California - The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Ser. No. 5222-48
HABS _____ HAER _____ NR 84 SHL _____ Loc _____
UTM: A 10/4216370/715720B
C _____ D _____

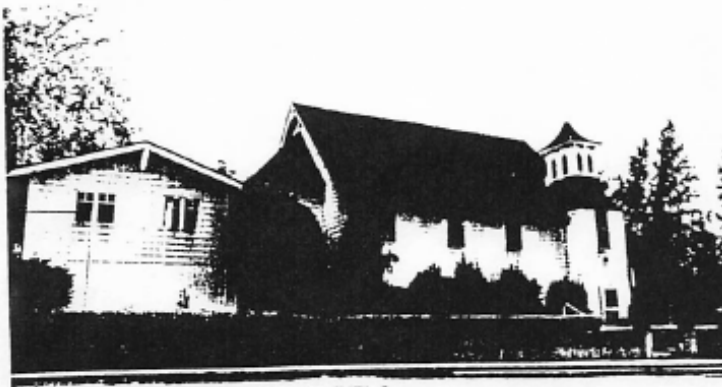
IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: Union Congregational Church
2. Historic name: 11 ANGELS CAMP 75' QUAD
3. Street or rural address: 1141 Main Street
City Angel's Camp Zip 95222 County Calaveras
4. Parcel number: 62-003-33
5. Present Owner: Congregational Church Address: _____
City Angel's Camp Zip 95222 Ownership is: Public _____ Private X
6. Present Use: Church Original use: Church

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: Vernacular
- 7b. Briefly describe the present physical description of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

This is a large structure with a steeply pitched gable roof. There is a square bell tower at the Southwest corner of the church, with a hipped roof. There are brackets at the cornice of the tower. There is a small bargeboard decoration at the gable end peak. The Asp of the church faces the northern side of the church, and is covered with a hipped roof below the regular roof line. There are three small double hung windows opening into the Western elevation, and one opening into the square tower area. The main entryway is in the Southern elevation.



8. Construction date:
Estimated _____ Factual 1904
9. Architect _____
10. Builder _____
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
Frontage 111 Depth 127
or approx. acreage _____
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
10/81

13. Condition: Excellent ☒ Good _____ Fair _____ Deteriorated _____ No longer in existence _____

14. Alterations: _____

15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land _____ Scattered buildings _____ Densely built-up _____
Residential ☒ Industrial _____ Commercial ☒ Other: _____

16. Threats to site: None known ☒ Private development _____ Zoning _____ Vandalism _____
Public Works project _____ Other: _____

17. Is the structure: On its original site? ☒ Moved? _____ Unknown? _____

18. Related features: Pioneer Hall, built from old lumber

SIGNIFICANCE

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

This church was built in 1904 and has served the community of Angel's Camp ever since. There are many old graves in the church yard dating from the 1850, before the Protestant, Catholic and Serbian Orthodox cemeteries were located along which is now Highway 4. Many of the pioneers in Angel's were buried here, with headstone markers preserved on the church property.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)

Architecture ☒ Arts & Leisure _____
Economic/Industrial _____ Exploration/Settlement _____
Government _____ Military _____
Religion ☒-2 Social/Education _____

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).

Bessie McGinnis, personal tour.

22. Date form prepared 10/81

By (name) Leslie Crow

Organization CSHC

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Locational sketch map (draw and label site and surrounding streets, roads, and prominent landmarks):

