



HISTORICAL COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: April 15, 2024
Subject: Historic Preservation Award
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Attachment: A. Liz Nyberg, Nomination

Staff Recommendation

Consider nominations for the 2024 Los Altos Historical Preservation Award

Environmental Review:

Not applicable

Summary/Project Description:

The Historical Preservation Award is an award to recognize exemplary rehabilitation and preservation of historic properties, and individuals, groups or organizations in Los Altos. The commission considers nominees for the annual award at the meeting.

Fiscal Impact:

None

Background

The Los Altos Historic Preservation Award was adopted by City Council Resolution on March 13, 2012. The intent of the award is to recognize exemplary rehabilitation and preservation of historic properties, and individuals, groups or organizations in the community that exemplify the spirit of historic preservation in Los Altos. Nominees should demonstrate a dedication to historic preservation within at least one of the following criteria:

1. Demonstration of pioneering or innovative efforts in historic preservation or education.
2. Conformance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Historic Rehabilitation.
3. Public benefit received (educational, beautification, advocacy, etc.).
4. Impact to the City of Los Altos.

The purpose of the award is to encourage public knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the City's past, and foster civic and neighborhood pride and sense of identity based upon the recognition and use of the City's historic resources. If the Historical Commission finds that none of the nominees meet the above criteria, the Commission is not obligated to grant the Preservation award.

Discussion/Analysis

Staff received three nominations for the Historic Preservation Award:

- Liz Nyberg, nominated by Gary Hedden (Attachment A)

The Commission should consider the written evidence and oral testimony from members of the public before discussing how the above nominees meet the criteria and before voting on the award recipient. The award recipient or their designee will be recognized with a Mayor's Proclamation at a future City Council Meeting.