



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS
HISTORIC PRESERVATION
COMMITTEE REPORT**

MEETING DATE: 11/15/2023

ITEM NO: 2

DATE: November 10, 2023
TO: Historic Preservation Committee
FROM: Joel Paulson, Community Development Director
SUBJECT: Consider a Request to Remove a Presumptive Historic Property (Pre-1941) from the Historic Resources Inventory for Property Zoned R-1:8. **Located at 32 Euclid Avenue.** APN 529-30-064. Exempt Pursuant to CEQA Section 15061 (b)(3). Request for Review PHST-23-019. Property Owner/Applicant: David Wilson. Project Planner: Sean Mullin

RECOMMENDATION:

Consider a request to remove a presumptive historic property (pre-1941) from the Historic Resources Inventory for property zoned R-1:8 located at 32 Euclid Avenue.

PROPERTY DETAILS:

1. Date primary structure was built: 1900 per County Assessor's Database
2. Town of Los Gatos Historic Status Code: N/A
3. Does property have an LHP Overlay? No
4. Is structure in a historic district? No
5. If yes, is it a contributor? N/A
6. Findings required? Yes
7. Considerations required? No

DISCUSSION:

The applicant is requesting removal of the presumptive historic property (pre-1941) from the Historic Resources Inventory (HRI). The Santa Clara County Assessor's Database lists a construction date of 1900 for the residence. The property is not within a historic district or LHP overlay, is not included in the 1990 Anne Bloomfield Survey, and is not located within the coverage area of the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps.

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DISCUSSION (continued):

The applicant has provided the results of their historic research (Attachment 1). The research shows that the residence first appeared in the telephone directories in 1937 but did not show up in the 1941 tax roll. The applicant's research also indicates that the current-day residence at 32 Euclid Avenue was once a barn and a garage associated with a residence at 28 Euclid Avenue. Lastly, the applicant provided a summary of the modifications and additions that have taken place to the structure.

A review of Town records yielded a 1996 reroof permit and a 1997 permit for the construction of a new storage shed.

The asymmetrical multi-pitch gable end residence includes shed roof additions located on the front and rear elevations. The residence is clad in multiple types of wood siding including varying widths of horizontal lap siding, plywood, and board and batten. Existing window materials appear to be a mixture of metal, vinyl, and wood with varying operational types. The residence does not individually appear to represent a distinctive example of a specific type of architecture.

CONCLUSION:

Should the Committee find that the structure no longer has historic significance or architectural merit due to the loss of integrity, the structure would be removed from the Historic Resources Inventory and any proposed alterations would not return to the Committee.

FINDINGS:

- A. Findings - related to a request for a determination that a pre-1941 primary structure has no historic significance or architectural merit.

In evaluating a request for a determination of historic significance or architectural merit, the Historic Preservation Committee shall consider the following:

1. The structure is not associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the Town;
2. No Significant persons are associated with the site;
3. There are no distinctive characteristics of type, period or method of construction or representation of work of a master;
4. The structure does not yield information to Town history; and
5. The integrity has been compromised such that the structure no longer has the potential to convey significance.

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ATTACHMENTS:

1. Request Letter and Research Results

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