

HISTORIC PRESERVATION STAFF REPORT

AGENDA SECTION:	Public Hearing
AGENDA ITEM TITLE:	Salida Historic Survey Plan
MEETING DATE:	May 26, 2022

<u>**Request:**</u> The request is for the Historic Preservation Commission to make a recommendation to City Council on the adoption of the Salida Historic Survey Plan.

Background: On March 1, 2020 History Colorado awarded the City a \$25,000 Certified Local Government (CLG) grant to create a Historic Survey Plan that encompasses the entire City. The Historic Survey Plan will assist the City in identifying areas for future intensive level surveys and provide guidance on reconnaissance level surveys throughout the City. With the various studies conducted over the past, the need for a comprehensive survey plan that identifies past historic survey efforts will help with the long-range planning of preservation efforts within the City. Adoption of the survey plan also puts the City in a better position for additional funding opportunities by providing the background and reasoning for future surveys.

At the May 12, 2021 HPC work session the Commission reviewed the request for proposals from five (5) qualified Consultants and selected three consultants to interview at their regular meeting on May 27, 2021. After the May 27th meeting the Commission selected Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig (FHU) and Kristi Miniello (Miniello Consulting) as the Consultants to complete the Salida Historic Survey Plan.

The Commission held the Salida Historic Survey Kick-off meeting on August 26, 2021 and the Consultants discussed the project approach, expectations for the historic survey plan, and the project schedule. In December the Consultants compiled a survey, via Survey Monkey, to receive input from the Community. The results of the survey has been incorporated in the final survey plan.

The HPC held a work session on January 31, 2022 for the prioritization of future surveys within the survey plan.

On March 24, 2022 the Consultants presented the draft survey for the Commission to review and comment. After the meeting the Commission requested another work session for further review of the draft historic survey plan. The HPC conducted a work session on April 6, 2022 and had the following comments for the Consultants.

General Comments:

The title needs to be corrected from City of Salida Historic District Survey Plan to City of Salida Historic Survey Plan (remove District).



The Commission suggested having an index of useful links for researching historic resources and include a recommendation (perhaps at the end of phase 1 or beginning of phase 2) that is about how to present and communicate the survey content to the public. Maybe a recommendation of creating an interactive GIS-based website where the public can easily hover over an interactive map and get information from all the different levels of surveys both architectural and cultural.

Add more information regarding ethnic and underrepresented groups. Identify the photos used throughout the plan.

Priority Recommendations:

At the beginning of the recommendations for future survey work add a table of the costs for future surveys instead of after each recommendation, for example, 4.1.1 the estimated cost for the range of a recon survey was \$25,000-\$30,000.

High Priority recommendations:

Move 4.1.4 Eddy Brothers Addition Post-World War II to medium priority.

Medium Priority recommendations:

Combine 4.2.1 Eddy Brothers Addition Pre-World War I with the Eddy Brothers Addition Post-World War II

Low Priority recommendations:

Section 4.3.1 Post-World War II – this section is a little confusing because it mentions Oak Street, Highway 50 but one of the photos is of Ouray Avenue on the Mesa.

<u>Recommendation</u>: Staff received the final Salida Historic Survey Plan from our Consultants on May 11, 2022 with the Commissioners comments incorporated into the Plan. Staff forwarded the final plan to the Historic Preservation Commission, added it to the City's website and published two advertisements of the May 26, 2022 public hearing in the Mountain Mail newspaper.

Staff recommends the Historic Preservation Commission recommend that City Council adopt the Salida Historic Survey Plan.

<u>Motion:</u> "I make a motion to recommend the City Council approve the adoption of the Salida Historic Survey Plan."