



Landmarks Preservation Commission

INFORMATION CALENDAR

July 28, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Landmarks Preservation Commission
Submitted by: Denise Hall Montgomery, LPC Chairperson
Subject: Annual Report on Landmarks Preservation Commission Actions

INTRODUCTION

The Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) has prepared a report on its activities during the period June 2025 through May 2026; see Attachment 1, "Annual Report on Landmarks Preservation Commission Actions." Reports on the Commission's activities are required on an annual basis, in accordance with Berkeley Municipal Code Chapter 3.24.090 - *Annual Report Required*.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

On June 4, 2025, the Commission voted to approve the attached report and to forward it to City Council. Vote: 9-0-0-0; Yes: Crandall, Fike, Finacom, Gordon, Greene, Montilla, Orbuch, Schwartz, Turner; No: none; Abstain: none; Absent: none.

BACKGROUND

Staff prepared a draft report summarizing LPC's actions and then presented it for the Commission's consideration at the meeting on June 4, 2026. The Commission received the report favorably and voted to adopt it and to forward it to City Council in accordance with the BMC requirement.

The Commission held a total of 11 meetings during this reporting period. Among numerous accomplishments, the Commission:

- Added four properties to the local register.
- Granted four Structural Alteration Permits for new development, improvements, additions or expansions within City Landmark properties.
- Received five demolition referrals from the Zoning Adjustments Board.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

Historic preservation practices encourage the adaptive re-use and rehabilitation of cultural resources within the City. The rehabilitation of these resources, rather than their removal, achieves construction and demolition waste diversion, and promotes investment in existing urban centers.

POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION

The LPC will continue to submit an annual report on its activities in accordance with the BMC requirement.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION

There are no fiscal impacts associated with this reporting activity.

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Attachments:

1: Annual Report of Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) Activities



LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Report to city council

Annual Report on Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) Actions

Reporting Period: June 2025 through May 2026
Due Date: June 30, 2026

Presented to City Council
By the LPC Secretary
On behalf of the LPC Chairperson and the Commission
In accordance with Berkeley Municipal Code Section 3.24.090

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Part 1: Introduction

In accordance with Berkeley Municipal Code Section 3.24.090, the LPC shall report its actions to City Council on an annual basis. The report must arrive not later than June 30 of each year.

Herein City Council will find summaries of all LPC activities for the current reporting period. The summary lists are arranged in categories reflecting LPC's compulsory duties, such as public meetings and quasi-judicial reviews, as well as other efforts that further cultural resource preservation in Berkeley.

Part 2: LPC Meetings Held

Meeting Body	Date
Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC)	June 5, 2025
	July 7, 2025
	August 7, 2025
	September 4, 2025
	October 6, 2025
	November 6, 2025
	December 4, 2025
	February 5, 2026
	March 5, 2026
	April 6, 2026
	May 7, 2026

Part 3: LPC Regulatory Actions

Activity	Property Address	Application Number	Action Date
Landmark & Structure of Merit Designations BMC Section 3.24.150	2035 Francisco Street	LMIN2024-0003	June 5, 2025
	2939 Dwight Way	LMIN2020-0007	August 7, 2025
	2000 Blake Street	LMIN2025-0003	September 4, 2025
	1929 Martin Luther King Jr. Way	LMIN2025-0002	November 7, 2025
Structural Alteration Permits BMC Section 3.24.240	2009 Tenth Street	LMSAP2025-0003	June 5, 2025
	2328 Channing Way	LMSAP2025-0004	July 7, 2025
	2135 Martin Luther King Jr. Way	LMSAP2025-0004	July 7, 2025
	2276 Shattuck Avenue	LMSAP2024-0005	December 4, 2025
Use Permit Demolition Referrals BMC Section 23.326.070	2372 Ellsworth Street	ZP2024-0169	July 7, 2025
	2298 Durant Avenue	ZP2024-0126	July 7, 2025
	2029 University Avenue	ZP2024-0181	September 4, 2025
	1890 Alcatraz Avenue	ZP2024-0183	September 4, 2025
	2417 Carleton Street	ZP2024-0027	October 6, 2025
Mill Act Contract Applications City Council Resolution 59,355	1619 Walnut Street	LMMA2025-0002	<i>Favorable Action to City Council on September 4, 2025</i>
	21 Mosswood Road	LMMA2025-0001	<i>Favorable Action to City Council on November 6, 2025</i>
Zoning Officer Referrals BMC Section 23.202.070(G)(1)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Final Design Review BMC Section 23.406.070(D)(3)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Design Review Referrals BMC Section 23.406.070(F)(1)(a)	2449 Dwight Way	DRCP2022-0003	August 7, 2025
	2428-2430 Bancroft Way	DRSL2024-0005	December 5, 2024
Section 106 Referrals National Preservation Act	2012-2024 Ashby Avenue	N/A	No action, January 6, 2025
	1708 Harmon Street/3240 Ellis Street	N/A	No action, January 6, 2025
	1750 Sacramento Street (North Berkeley BART)	N/A	No action, May 1, 2025
	1429 Delaware Street (North Berkeley BART)	N/A	No action, May 1, 2025

Part 4: LPC Agenda Discussions Held

Topic	Discussion	Outcome	Date(s)
Mills Act	Discussed recommendations from the subcommittee, and other ideas for improving the Mills Act program, and a moratorium on the program.	Council voted to pause the program November 18, 2025	October 6, 2025
Anna Head School	Discussed the information received from the Save Anna Head School campaign.	Letter sent to the University of California.	October 6, 2025
Landmarks Preservation Ordinance Amendments	Discussed proposed amendments to the Landmarks Preservation Ordinance (Berkeley Municipal Code Chapter 3.24).	Established a new subcommittee; sent communication to staff.	February 5, 2026; March 5, 2026; April 6, 2026

Part 5: LPC Agenda Presentations Received

Topic	Presenter	Date
Purpose and overview of the Planning and Development Department	Jordan Klein, Planning and Development Department Director	February 5, 2026
2026 Potential Infrastructure Bond Measure	City Manager's Office	March 5, 2026