

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXNARD

Resolution No. 10,135

RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE DECLARATION OF COUNTY LANDMARKS,  
MONUMENTS AND POINTS OF HISTORICAL INTEREST LOCATED WITHIN  
THE CITY OF OXNARD.

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to provide a procedure and standards for declaring certain real property and plant life within the City to be Ventura County landmarks, monuments or points of historical interest; and

WHEREAS, the County of Ventura has established a Cultural Heritage Board for the purpose of evaluating whether particular real property or plant life within the County should be declared to be County landmarks, monuments or points of historical interest and making recommendations thereon to the Ventura County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the Ventura County Ordinance Code permits the Cultural Heritage Board to serve at the request of a city as the city's Cultural Heritage Board for the purpose of recommending to the City Council the declaration of County landmarks, monuments or points of historical interest located within a city.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXNARD DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

✓✓ 1. Pursuant to Section 1367 of the Cultural Heritage Ordinance of the County of Ventura (Article 5, Sections 1360 through 1373 of the Ventura County Ordinance Code), the Ventura County Cultural Heritage Board is requested to serve as the City of Oxnard Cultural Heritage Board ("Board"). The composition, duties and powers of the Board shall be as provided in the Cultural Heritage Ordinance of the County of Ventura, except that references in the Ordinance to the County of Ventura shall be to the City of Oxnard.

2. The authority to declare Ventura County landmarks, monuments or points of historical interest located within the City of Oxnard shall be vested solely in the City Council of the City of Oxnard. Upon recommendation of the Board, and at least 30 days after such recommendation is made, the City Council may declare a County landmark, monument or point of historical interest.

3. If the owner of the real property or plant life has filed an objection to the designation of the subject property as a landmark, monument or point of historical interest, the City Council shall schedule a public hearing to consider the objection, after which the City Council shall determine

whether or not to so declare the subject property. If the conclusion of the City Council is to designate the subject property as a landmark, monument or point of historical interest, the property owner shall be prohibited from defacing, demolishing, adding to, altering or moving it without having given 180 days' advance written notice to the Board that such action is planned.

4. If the Board finds that the property owner has not defaced, demolished, added to, altered or moved the landmark, monument or point of historical interest within one year and 180 days from the date of notice to the Board of intent to do so, then the Board may notify the property owner that the earlier notice shall be considered void and the landmark, monument or point of historical interest will be protected in accordance with this resolution.

5. If the landmark, monument or point of historical interest is defaced, demolished, added to, altered or moved and the Board determines that the landmark, monument or point of historical interest no longer exists, the Board may recommend to the City Council that the subject property lose its designation as a landmark, monument or point of historical interest.

6. If the property owner of the landmark, monument or point of historical interest objects to the removal of the designation, the property owner may file an objection with the City Council no later than 15 days following the date of mailing to the property owner of the Board's recommendation to the City Council.

7. A landmark, monument or point of historical interest is any real property or plant life that:

(a) Is the site of a building, structure or object that no longer exists but was associated with an important event or person or embodied a distinctive character or style;

(b) Has historical significance, but has been altered to the extent that the integrity of the original workmanship, materials or style has been substantially compromised; or

(c) Is the site of an historic event.

8. A landmark, monument or point of historical interest may be any real property or plant life, including, but not limited to:

(a) A building, structure, ruin or foundation;

(b) A route or trail;

(c) A site or place, such as a cave, oak grove, cemetery, burial ground, camp or village area, significant tree or other vegetation;

(d) A natural configuration, traditional landscape horizon, geographic or geological formation or feature.

9. To be eligible to be designated as a landmark, monument or point of historical interest, the real property or plant life must be:

(a) Of historical, cultural, scenic or aesthetic significant to the City of Oxnard;

(b) Identified with an important person or event in national, state or local history;

(c) Valuable to a study of an architectural period, style or method of construction; or

(d) The work of a master builder, designer, artist or architect.

10. City Council Resolution Nos. 7317 and 8300 are repealed.

Passed and adopted this 2nd day of April, 1991, by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members: Furr, Lopez, Maron and Plisky

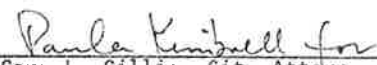
NOES: Council Members: None

ABSENT: Council Members: Takasugi

  
Geraldine W. Furr, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:   
Mabi Plisky, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Gary L. Gillig, City Attorney