



The City of Coronado's Historic Resource Commission

"Preserving the Future"

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In 2000, the Coronado City Council created the Historic Resource Commission, giving it authority to identify historic resources within our town. Our mission is not only to seek preservation, but also to promote awareness and appreciation of those parts of our heritage that form the unique and distinctive character of Coronado. At the same time, we strive to encourage private preservation by offering a variety of incentives to willing owners of both large and small historic properties. As real estate values soar, the challenge to preserve the Coronado we have all come to love becomes ever more difficult. It thereby falls to all of us to work together to find positive solutions, to encourage preservation, and to promote our history so that we may save the extraordinary gift that is Coronado for all those yet to come.

What is an "historic resource"?

To be an "historic resource", a structure must be at least 75 years of age and/or reached historical significance. It also must meet two of the following criteria:

- Is it associated with a well-known architect or builder?
- Does it represent a special style of architecture?
- Is it one of the few remaining examples of a type of architecture?
- Is it associated with well-known occupants?
- Does it meet State historical standards?

The structure may have been altered in the past, however, in order to remain "historically significant", those alterations should retain the original style and historicity of the structure.

The New Demolition Permit Process

Faced with the possible demolition of some architecturally significant historic homes, the City Council enacted an ordinance whereby any residential structure 75 years of age or older can no longer receive over-the-counter demolition permits. Now, such applications must go through a review process at the Historic Resource Commission. At a public hearing, the Commission determines whether the structure proposed to be demolished meets the criteria to be designated as a Historic Resource. If the structure does not qualify, the owner can proceed with a demolition permit at the City's Community Development Department. If it does qualify as a Historic Resource, the structure is deemed historic. The owner may appeal this decision to the City Council. If the City Council upholds the decision of the Commission, then the applicant must go through additional review before a demolition permit will be issued. This is meant to allow alternative solutions to be explored to avoid the loss of a Historic Resource. Alternatives may be in the form of a buyer wishing to preserve the structure, moving the structure to another location, or some other alternative use of the property. During the 6 months that the ordinance has been in effect, the Commission has determined 11 properties were not historic and those homes can now be demolished. One property was found to be historic and the property owner is working with the Commission to develop an alternative to demolition, a remodel for example, rather than demolition.



William Cronan

There are 18 official parks in the village of Coronado. Each one has its own history and tale to tell. After lengthy research done by Commissioners Draper and MacCartee, the HRC will be presenting these histories to the City Council and asking that these parks be declared part of our City's historic resources. This way they will be protected forever for all of us to enjoy. Tiny Cronan Park is nestled at the intersection of 6th, Pomona and Margarita. This park was named to honor Coronado resident Willie Cronan, awarded the Medal of Honor for heroism during the 1905 USS BENNINGTON disaster in San Diego.

***“Castles, Cottages and Condominiums”*, a narrative slide show prepared by Nancy Cobb and Gerry MacCartee will be presented at Coronado Historical Association’s Lecture Hall on Thursday, December 2, 2004, at 7p.m. This is a story of a small village at the end of a ferryboat ride.....and how that all changed. Admission is free and it is sponsored by your Historic Resource Commission.**



1127 “F” Avenue, above, was recently designated a historic resource. Come join the growing number of property owners who are hopping on the historic band wagon and having their properties designated to help preserve the past for those to enjoy in the future. Go to <http://www.coronado.ca.us> to view all the historic homes.

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Coronado Historic Resources to date:

- 476 “C” Avenue
- 1126 Loma Avenue
- 848 Glorietta Blvd.
- 1000 8th St.
- 1111 Loma Avenue
- 1027 “G” Avenue
- 279 “C” Avenue
- 465 Palm Avenue
- 1022 Adella Avenue
- 611 “A” Avenue
- 1015 Ocean Blvd
- 801 Tolita Avenue
- 600 Glorietta Blvd.
- 1116 Loma Avenue
- 520 “B” Avenue
- 1236 Alameda Blvd.
- 751-761 “G” Avenue
- 1241 Alameda Blvd.
- 757 Alameda Blvd
- 765 “C” Avenue
- 550 “B” Avenue
- 948 “D” Avenue
- 1313 10th St.
- 605 10th St.
- 526 “A” Avenue
- 1244 Alameda Blvd.
- 721-727 “D” Avenue
- 625 “A” Avenue
- 629 “A” Avenue
- 1005 Adella Avenue
- 749 “C” Avenue
- 1504 Glorietta Blvd.
- 536 “A” Avenue
- 1045 Loma Avenue
- 1125 Flora Avenue
- 927 “D” Avenue
- 1025 “E” Avenue
- 1013 Adella Avenue
- 1101 Star Park Circle
- 1127 “F” Avenue
- 1015 Adella Avenue
- 1125 “G” Avenue
- 1015 Loma Avenue
- 941 G Avenue

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