

ORDINANCE NO. 2007-094

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

December 4, 2007

NOMINATING AND ADDING THE OAK PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT TO THE SACRAMENTO REGISTER OF HISTORIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES AS A HISTORIC DISTRICT (M07-057)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

SECTION 1

The Sacramento Register of Historic and Cultural Resources ("Sacramento Register") is amended by adding the Oak Park Historic District as a Historic District and identifying the contributing resources therein.

Pursuant to Sacramento City Code Sections 17.134.170 and 17.134.180 and based on the duly noticed hearing conducted by the City Council, and the recommendation from the Preservation Commission, the staff reports and nomination materials attached thereto, and the testimony presented at the hearing on the nomination, the City Council makes the following findings in support of its action to designate the Oak Park Historic District and to place it in the Sacramento Register:

The property meets Criteria i and ii of the Criteria for Sacramento Register Historic District eligibility pursuant to Sacramento City Code Title 17, Chapter 17.134, section 17.134.170-C (1-5):

- A. The nominated resource meets Criterion i for listing on the Sacramento Register: "It is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of the history of the city, the region, the state or the nation";
- B. The nominated resource meets Criterion ii for listing on the Sacramento Register: "It is associated with the lives of persons significant in the city's past";
- C. In addition, the District meets the Requirements and Factors to be Considered outlined in Section 17.134.170(B)(1) and (2):
 - 1. Requirements
 - a. The area is a geographically definable area;
 - b. The area possesses either:

- i. A significant concentration or continuity of buildings unified by: a) past events; or b) aesthetically by plan or physical development;
 - ii. The area is associated with an event, person, or period significant or important to city history; or
 - c. The designation of the geographic area as a historic district is reasonable, appropriate and necessary to protect, promote and further the goals and purposes of this chapter and is not inconsistent with other goals and policies of the city.
- 2. Factors to be Considered
 - a. The historic district has integrity of design, setting, materials, workmanship and association;
 - b. The collective historic value of the buildings and structures in the historic district taken together may be greater than the historic value of each individual building or structure.
- D. The nominated resource has important historic or architectural worth, and its designation as a landmark is reasonable, appropriate, and necessary to protect, promote, and further the goals of this chapter, pursuant to Sacramento City Code Title 17, Chapter 17.134, section 17.134.170-C (b-c).

Adoption of this Historic District promotes the maintenance and enhancement of the significant features and characteristics of the Historic District pursuant to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.

Adoption of the Historic District promotes the maintenance and enhancement of the historic materials and fabric, as well as the appearance, of the Historic District.

Adoption of the Historic District is consistent with the City's Preservation Element of the General Plan.

Adoption of the Historic District will afford the property the use of the California Historical Building Code and eligibility for any future preservation incentives that may be adopted for listed properties.

Adoption of the Historic District helps to protect historic resources of the City of Sacramento.

The Oak Park District represents the commercial core of Oak Park, and is comprised mostly brick buildings constructed in the teens and 1920s. In 1911, when it was annexed to the City of Sacramento, Oak Park had several thousand residents and a thriving business district. The Oak Park annexation was the first expansion of the boundaries of Sacramento since the city was first laid out in 1848. The prompt response by the City of Sacramento to Oak Park's needs was instrumental in laying the foundation for growth in the years to come. In 1913 the City's Building Inspector

reported that Oak Park was the fastest growing residential district in the City and the 1914 City Directory listed almost 800 homes in Oak Park.

Most of the more important businesses and business structures in Oak Park were located alongside the streetcar tracks that came down Sacramento Boulevard from 31st to 35th and then turned south down 35th Street and into the park. The money that flowed into this strip was largely from residents in other parts of the city coming to Oak Park. The buildings along 35th Street from Sacramento to 5th Avenue gave Oak Park a look similar to many of California's Main Street towns from the 1920s.

The movement of employment opportunities in the area around Oak Park also aided growth and stability. Across Stockton Boulevard to the east were the State Fair grounds that provided both full time and seasonal work. The Libby, McNeil & Libby cannery on Alhambra and Stockton Boulevard was built in 1912, providing hundreds of seasonal jobs. In 1924 the California Highway Commission (now Caltrans) opened its vehicle and equipment repair shops buildings nearby at 34th & R Streets employing more than 100 skilled mechanics.

The District that has been delineated for Oak Park is just a remnant of its once vital business core. However, its remaining members evoke a sense of the original business district's character, and several of its buildings are fine examples of their era.

SECTION 2

Sacramento City Code Section 17.134.180 prescribes that the Contributing Resources of the Historic District to be added to the Sacramento Register shall be identified in the designating Ordinance. The **Contributing Resources (C)** and **Non-Contributing (NC)** resources of the Oak Park Historic District include the following:

Street Address	Parcel Address	APN	C/NC	Date
2828 35 th Street	2832 35 th Street	010-0377-017	C	1915
2845 35 th Street	3500 Broadway	010-0383-012	C	1927
2863 35 th Street	2845 35 th St.	010-0383-013	C	1917-18
2657 33 rd Street	2657 33 rd St.	010-0313-001	NC	
2833 34 th Street	2833 34 th St.	010-0377-016	C	1918
2841 34 th Street	3841 34th St.	010-0377-015	C	1914

2833-37 36 th Street	2833 36 th St.	010-0385-015	C	1932est
3300-04 2 nd Avenue	3300 2 nd Ave.	010-0373-002	C	1910est
3308 2 nd Avenue (Vacant)	3308 2 nd Ave.	010-0373-003	NC	
3320 2 nd Avenue (Vacant)	3320 2 nd Ave.	010-0373-004	NC	
3324 2 nd Avenue	3324 2 nd Ave.	010-0373-005	C	1894est
3401 2 nd Avenue	3401 2 nd Ave.	010-0315-018	C	1896est
3400 3 rd Avenue	3400 3 rd Ave.	010-0377-001	NC	
3408 3 rd Avenue	3408 3 rd Ave.	010-0377-002	C	1915
3418 3 rd Avenue	3418 3 rd Ave.	010-0377-003	C	1885-95
3424 3 rd Avenue	3424 3 rd Ave.	010-0377-004	C	1909
3519 3 rd Avenue	3519 3 rd Ave.	010-0381-014	C	1910
3415 4 th Avenue	3415 4 th Ave.	010-0377-013	C	1913
3417&19 4 th Avenue	3417 4 th Ave.	010-0377-012	C	1914
3431 4 th Avenue	3431 4 th Ave.	010-0377-011	NC	
3439 4 th Avenue	3439 4 th Ave.	010-0377-010	C	1913
3445 4 th Avenue	3445 4 th Ave.	010-0377-009	C	1905
3308 Broadway	3300 Broadway/2657 33 rd St.	010-0313-001	NC	1910
3320 Broadway	3320 Broadway	010-0373-018	NC	
3330 Broadway	3328 Broadway	010-0373-008	C	1933e
3400 Broadway (Vacant)	3400 Broadway	010-0376-001	NC	
3402-08 Broadway	3402 Broadway	010-0376-002	C	1915
3409 Broadway	3409 Broadway	010-0375-001	NC	
3418 Broadway	3418 Broadway	010-0376-005	C	1914

3428-34 Broadway	3456 3 rd Ave.	010-0377-018	C	1915
3501 Broadway	2753 35 th St.	010-0381-015	C	1912
3503 Broadway	3503 Broadway	010-0382-001	C	1929est
3512 Broadway (Vacant)	3512 Broadway	010-0383-003	NC	
3514 Broadway	3512 Broadway	010-0383-004	C	1925est
3515 Broadway	3515 Broadway	010-0382-002	NC	
3519 Broadway	3519 Broadway	010-0382-003	C	1927
3520 Broadway (Vacant)	3520 Broadway	010-0383-005	NC	
3521 Broadway	3521 Broadway	010-0382-004	NC	
3527 Broadway	3527 Broadway	010-0382-006	NC	
Street Grid, including Broadway at an angle			C	
Median and Palm Trees in Broadway		Broadway	C	
Trolley Tracks		2 nd Avenue	C	
North-South Streets with canopy street trees		33 rd , 34 th , 35 th And 36 th Streets	C	

SECTION 3

Sacramento City Code Section 17.134.180 prescribes that the Significant Feature(s) or Characteristic(s) of the resources to be added to the Sacramento Register shall be identified in the designating Ordinance. The significant features and characteristics of the Oak Park Historic District include the following:

Commercial Buildings

- One and two story buildings
- Brick commercial buildings with decorative treatments, typical from 1910-1932; some with only brick 1st floor storefronts and other materials above
- Brick Civic structures
- Brick buildings with stucco
- Various architectural styles, including but not limited to Mediterranean and Mission

- Prairie school-inspired motifs, particularly deep overhanging eaves on certain structures
- Late 19th and early 20th century mixed use corner stores with residences above
- Storefronts with transoms above
- Centered, recessed entries
- Corner entries on the corner buildings
- Decorative parapets
- Bay windows on upper floors on certain structures
- Punched double hung wood windows on upper floors

Residential Buildings

- Variety of architectural styles, with the character-defining features appropriate to each, including:
 - Craftsman
 - Queen Anne (both “pedestrian” and high style)
 - Classic Cube
 - Colonial Revival
 - Stick style and/or Eastlake Style
 - Airplane Bungalows

Site Features

- Broadway: cuts through grid at an angle, which became a character-defining site element
 - Opened the opportunity for “Flatiron” style corner buildings. Opportunity was taken
 - Residential component north and south of Broadway
 - Median down center
 - Palm trees in median
- Trolley tracks
- North-South streets with canopy street trees

SECTION 4

The Preservation Director of the City of Sacramento is hereby directed to add the Oak Park Historic District and its Contributing Resources to the Sacramento Register, per the Map (Exhibit 1).

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Exhibit 1: Map of Boundaries

Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on December 4, 2007 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Cohn, Fong, Hammond, McCarty, Pannell, Sheedy, Tretheway, Waters.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Mayor Fargo.



Kevin McCarty, Vice-Mayor

Attest:

for 
Shirley Concolino, City Clerk

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Exhibit 1
Map of Boundaries

