

# Memorandum

**REPORT TO:** Bozeman Historic Preservation Advisory Board

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**SUBJECT:** Continue Discussion of the Local Landmark Program Development

**MEETING DATE:** March 31, 2026

**AGENDA ITEM TYPE:** Citizen Advisory Board/Commission

**RECOMMENDATION:** Consider and discuss a presentation from the project team as well as public comment, and provide feedback.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** 1.1 Outreach: Continue to strengthen and innovate in how we deliver information to the community and our partners.

**BACKGROUND:** The City of Bozeman is updating its Historic Preservation Program, including through development of a new Local Landmark Program. In 2023, after a competitive procurement process, the City selected Community Planning Collaborative (CPC) to assist with the project. The Local Landmark Project was divided into two phases. Phase 1 consisted of research, community engagement, and data analysis culminating in a final report outlining recommendations. The Phase 1 Report was reviewed and discussed by HPAB and the Community Development Board before being adopted by City Commission in May 2025.

The project team is now in Phase 2, which focuses on implementing some of the Phase 1 recommendations, including development of a Local Landmark Program. The Program is intended to provide criteria and a process through which the City may identify and recognize places of local importance that may not be recognized as significant at the national level.

The project team is sharing information with HPAB for consideration and discussion to help inform draft code amendments. This month's meeting will focus on outlining the key components of the Local Landmark Program, including how the nomination process may work, criteria for identifying potential Landmarks, where in the city Landmarks may be located, and the potential significance of designating a Landmark. Feedback on these elements will then be applied to draft code language for later review by HPAB and the public.

More information on the Local Landmark Project can be found on the dedicated [Engage Bozeman web page](#).

**UNRESOLVED ISSUES:** None

**ALTERNATIVES:** None

**FISCAL EFFECTS:** Funding for this project was included in the FY25-26 biennial budget.

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