

# Memorandum

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

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**SUBJECT:** Update on July 28 City Commission Discussion Related to Historic Preservation Projects

**MEETING DATE:** August 19, 2026

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

**RECOMMENDATION:** Information only, no action required

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** 1.2 Community Engagement: Broaden and deepen engagement of the community in city government, innovating methods for inviting input from the community and stakeholders.

**BACKGROUND:** On July 28, City staff provided updates to City Commission on two ongoing historic preservation projects (both the Local Landmark Project and the NCOD Design Guidelines Update), and sought direction from the Commission on several related topics. As work progresses with any policy project, it makes sense to periodically check in to ensure we are still aligned with Commission's vision.

During this meeting, staff will provide HPAB with an update on the discussion and direction received. The slides that were shared with Commission are included with this agenda item and a recording of the full Commission discussion can be viewed [on the City's website](#) (beginning at approximately 1:01:30 in the video).

**UNRESOLVED ISSUES:** The City recently terminated its contract with the consultant hired to work on the NCOD Design Standards Update. Future work on that project may require execution of a new contract.

**ALTERNATIVES:** As provided by the Board

**FISCAL EFFECTS:** Funding for both projects was included in the FY27 budget. Additional funding may be necessary at a later date to hire a new consultant for the NCOD Design Guidelines update.

Attachments:

[HP Work Session Slides July 2026.pdf](#)

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