

CITY OF MARTINEZ

PARK, RECREATION, MARINA & CULTURAL COMMISSION AGENDA

May 15, 2012

TO: Chairperson and Commissioners

SUBJECT: Application for Olive Grove as California Point of Historical Interest

RECOMMENDATION:

PRMCC to decide on whether or not to make a recommendation to the City Council that an application should be submitted to designate the Rankin Olive Grove as a California Point of Historical Interest.

DISCUSSION:

At the April 17, 2012, PRMCC meeting, Kristen Henderson made a presentation to the PRMCC regarding submitting an application to have the Rankin Olive Grove designated as a California Point of Historical Interest. Ms. Henderson offered to submit the application on behalf of the City. Information regarding the California Point of Historical Interest was submitted at the April 17, 2012 meeting.

The following information regarding California Point of Historical Interest was taken from the California State Parks Website:

California Points of Historical Interest

California Points of Historical Interest are sites, buildings, features, or events that are of local (city or county) significance and have anthropological, cultural, military, political, architectural, economic, scientific or technical, religious, experimental, or other value.

Points of Historical Interest designated after December 1997 and recommended by the State Historical Resources Commission are also listed in the California Register.

No historical resource may be designated as both a Landmark and a Point. If a Point is subsequently granted status as a Landmark, the Point designation will be retired.

Criteria for Designation

To be eligible for designation as a Point of Historical Interest, a resource must meet at least one of the following criteria:

1. The first, last, only, or most significant of its type within the local geographic region (City or County).
2. Associated with an individual or group having a profound influence on the history of the local area.
3. A prototype of, or an outstanding example of, a period, style, architectural movement or construction or is one of the more notable works or the best surviving work in the local region of a pioneer architect, designer or master builder.

Effects of Designation

1. Limited protection: Environmental review may be required under CEQA if property is threatened by a project. Contact your local planning agency for more information.
2. Local assessor may enter into contract with property owner for property tax reduction (Mills Act).
3. Local building inspector must grant code alternative provided under State Historic Building Code.
4. Registration is recorded on property deed.
5. A small enamel directional sign (no text) available through local Caltrans district office. Owner may place his or her own marker at the site.