



Community Development
Department

Memo

DATE: October 26, 2022
TO: Cultural Heritage Commission
FROM: Angelica Frausto-Lupo, Community Development Director
PREPARED BY: Matt Chang, Planning Manager
RE: Additional Document, Item No. 1, Public Comment – General

The attached written comment was received by 12:00 p.m. on October 26, 2022.

From: Yvonne LaRose
Sent: Sunday, October 23, 2022 3:38 PM
To: PlanningComments
Subject: General Comment: Historic and Landmark Property Repair and Maintenance Tutorials

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Our historic and landmark properties are so important to the character and culture of our city. While it may seem a simple matter to seek a contractor who can do repairs, additions, or merely painting, it can become a headache when the right questions and proper screening doesn't happen.

It would be very helpful if there can be workshops or regular (perhaps quarterly) tutorials on the fundamental considerations when broaching repair and maintenance of historic and landmark properties.

Hiring a contractor who is aware of somewhat fundamental this such as correct work preparation (power washing the structure or sanding, for example) should be covered so no regretful mistakes are made. Screening questions and criteria for this caliber of work would be helpful to know - as well as why they are important.

Knowing the right places to find qualified craftsmen and contractors would also be helpful.

Is it possible the Historic Preservation Foundation could be a starting place for this type of education?

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