

Today's date: February 5, 2025

Name of board or commission: Historic and Architectural Preservation Board

Board chair or designee: Mark A. Beebe

Date of presentation to Venice city council: February 25, 2025

1. **Past year's achievements:** The HAPB was established in October of 2022 and has been working under the approved rules and procedures adopted on November 10, 2022. The Board has continued to develop community awareness of historic preservation through mail out publications and educational seminars. The board has reviewed and made determinations on 5 Certificates of Architectural Compliance (CAC) and has nominated (1) property to be added to the local register of historic places. We have also recommended (1) property to Venice city council for ad valorem tax exemption. The Board has fully reviewed the completed historic survey data for the Gulf View section and approved the final recommendations for the ongoing Legacy Award for local historic preservation.
2. **Proposed agenda of priorities for the coming year:**
 - Continue to review applications for Certificates of Architectural Compliance (CAC) for properties in the architectural control districts and other applicable applications.
 - Continue a historic preservation education outreach program and develop a historic preservation brochure. Maintain the Legacy Awards program.
 - Continue community education seminars for historic architectural styles and historic preservation within the City of Venice and encourage Local Register applications for those who are eligible. Analyze and make recommendations based on the consultant provided survey of historic resources.
 - Finalize the update of the approved color palette for the architectural control districts and reformat for easier use by Venice residents and businesses.
 - Investigate possible changes to the Board's review authority, including reassigning the responsibility for Local Register properties from the Historic Resources Manager to the HAPB, and any other changes to review authority on historic preservation topics.
3. **A) What goal in the City's strategic plan does your proposed agenda for the coming year support and B) describe how your proposed agenda will support that goal:**
 - A) Goal Six: Preserve the Venice Quality of Life through Planning
Policy 3 of this goal says, "Preserve Venice's historical resources and significant structures." Through the adoption of the new LDRs and the formation of the new board, this is being accomplished. Much thought was put into the process of the development of the new LDRs, and they are being monitored for their effectiveness.
4. **Areas of concern:** Some board members have indicated a desire to review properties that are non-Nolen and are on the local register of historic resources. Discussion with Planning Commission is pending.
5. **Activities/Tasks/Goals:** Since this is a relatively new board operating under new LDRs, continue to seek opportunity to improve the operation of the board and the applicable LDRs.

Date board members attended annual Sunshine and Public Records Law training:
December 1, 2024