

Historic Landmarks Committee

2025 Annual Report

This is the Annual Report of the Historic Landmarks Committee to the City Council. The Committee provided input and approved this report at their January 29, 2026 special meeting.

Committee Members: William Rich, Chair; Jill MacDonald, Vice Chair; Tim Keefe, Ronald Perry, and Jeanette Cooper.

2025 Accomplishments:

1. Focused on Preservation Month Planning for May 2025.
2. Provided input on updates to the City of Arcata National Register application for the Arcata Plaza.
3. Provided guidance on development projects involving landmark properties.

2026 Goals:

1. Coordinate further with local Tribal Historic Preservation Officers to better understand and incorporate Tribal perspectives pertaining to Arcata's pre-settlement history, particularly in the Historical Context Statement.
2. Continue to explore partnerships and programs to promote local history with a goal of increasing a knowledge and appreciation of, and pride in, local history.
3. Function as a resource for applicants when approaching development projects that have the potential to affect historic resources and provide guidance on development projects involving landmark properties.
4. Plan and implement Historic Preservation Month Programming and Celebrations with a continued focus on collaborations with local tribal and educational partners.