



Date: February 23, 2018
To: Patrick H. West, City Manager *PW*
From: Tom Modica, Interim Director of Development Services *T.M.*
For: Mayor and Members of the City Council
Subject: **Cultural Heritage Commission 2017 In Review**

Please see the attached copy of the Cultural Heritage Commission 2017 In Review, which highlights the efforts of the Cultural Heritage Commission on local historic preservation, landmark designation, and various historic district projects and initiatives. Long Beach has a renewed commitment to maintaining its rich history and unique character, which is enhanced by the diligent efforts of the Cultural Heritage Commission, as reflected through the wide variety of projects featured in this report.

The Cultural Heritage Commission acts as an advisor on planning policies as they relate to historical preservation, working closely with the Mayor and City Council, staff, and property owners of historic sites, making recommendations for the designation of landmarks and historic districts, advising on technical aspects of a project, and encouraging the community's understanding and appreciation of the City's architectural and environmental history. Long Beach continues to build momentum for historic preservation with more incentives for owners of historic properties, greater flexibility for adaptive reuse, development of Historic District Design Guidelines, and more community outreach and engagement opportunities. These efforts promote the revitalization and sustainability of the community, and enhance the quality of life of Long Beach.

To request additional copies, or for further information regarding the Cultural Heritage Commission, please contact Tom Modica at (562) 570-5091. The report is also available electronically at: www.lbds.info/civica/filebank/blobdload.asp?BlobID=7014.

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