

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

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2025 Work Plan: Overview

Activities over the past 12 months:

- The Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) Work Plan includes the standard tasks of reviewing and providing guidance for various requests for properties listed on State and Federal Register(s) of Historic Districts and places within Los Alamos County. As such, HPAB will review proposed nominations for listing in the National and State Register(s) of Historic Places.
- During FY25, the Board has provided their recommendation to Planning & Zoning Commission for the Manhattan Project Era Dorm Building and has requested construction updates from the Community Services Department for the Ashley Pond shade structures. Additionally, HPAB has provided research expertise into possible restoration of the U.S. Post Office clock in response to a community member's inquiry.
- This year the Board pursued direct public engagement and education by staffing a table at the Spring Arts & Crafts Fair in May at the Romero Cabin and asking Council for a proclamation designating May as Historic Preservation Month in Los Alamos County.
- HPAB members have attended other board meetings to keep abreast of similar work on other boards, such as the activities of the Arts in Public Places Board on Homesteaders.

Accomplishing our Priority Objectives:

- A Historic Preservation Inventory is needed to inform the board's recommendation authority; strengthen the board's ability to identify and evaluate historic districts and landmarks for potential local listing; and provide a foundation for the HPAB's guidance on the maintenance of County-owned historic resources.
- The five (5) member board is fully staffed and able to meet quorum each month despite busy schedules.