

**CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA
HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD**

HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2023-XXX-HRB

A RESOLUTION OF THE HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA ISSUING A DETERMINATION OF CONSISTENCY WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR'S STANDARDS FOR ADOPT A RESOLUTION ISSUING A DETERMINATION OF CONSISTENCY WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR'S STANDARDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION A 15,351-SQUARE-FOOT MIXED-USE BUILDING WITH A 9,805-SQUARE-FOOT SUBTERRANEAN GARAGE ON A PORTION OF THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SAVINGS & LOAN COMPLEX SITE LOCATED AT DOLORES STREET 2 SOUTHEAST OF 7TH AVENUE IN THE SERVICE COMMERCIAL (SC) ZONING DISTRICT. APNS 010-145-012, 010-145-023, 010-145-024

WHEREAS, on May 11, 2023, Jason Diaz of International Design Group (IDG), ("Applicant") submitted an application (DR 23-140) on behalf of Esperanza Carmel, on May 24, 2022 requesting the construction of a mixed use building located on Lots 6, 8, and 10 of Block 91; and

WHEREAS, the project is partially location on a historic property is known as the Northern California Savings and Loan Complex ("Complex"); and; and

WHEREAS, the Complex consists of Lots 2, 4, 6, and 8 located on Block 91 and is currently comprised of Assessor Parcel Numbers (APNs: 010-145-002, 010-145-023, 010-145-024); and

WHEREAS, APN 010-145-002 is comprised of lots 2 & 4 and is owned by D&K Dolores, LLC ("D&K Dolores"). APN 010-145-023 and 010-145-024 are comprised of lot 6 and 8 respectively. Both lots 6 & 8 are owned by Esperanza Carmel Commercial LLC ("Esperanza Carmel"); and

WHEREAS, the applicant is proposing to construct a portion of a 15,351-square-foot mixed-use building with a 9,805-square-foot subterranean garage on lots 6 and 8 of the Northern California Savings & Loan Complex site; and

WHEREAS, the project qualifies as a Major Alteration to a Historic Resource pursuant to CMC 17.32.160; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to CMC 17.32.120 (Alteration of Historic Resources), a determination of consistency with the Secretary's Standards shall be obtained prior to altering, remodeling, demolishing, grading, relocating, reconstructing or restoring any historic resource; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to CMC 17.32.120.B, determinations of consistency for major alterations shall be prepared by a qualified professional and shall be supported by written documentation that (1) identifies which of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for

Rehabilitation are applicable to the project, (2) reviews the proposed project, and (3) explains the basis of the determination; and

WHEREAS, a Phase II report was prepared by a qualified professional, Seth Bergstein of PAST Consultants, dated June 30, 2023, and found the proposed amendments to be consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation provided the recommendations outlined in the report were carried out; and

WHEREAS, on July 7, 2023, a notice of the public hearing scheduled for July 17, 2023, was published in the Carmel Pine Cone in compliance with State law (California Government Code 65091) and mailed to owners of real property within a 300-foot radius of the project indicating the date and time of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, on or before July 7, 2023, the Applicant posted the public notice on the project site and hand-delivered a copy of the public notice to each property within a 100-foot radius of the project site indicating the date and time of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, on July 17, 2023, the Historic Resources Board held a public hearing to receive public testimony regarding the Determination of Consistency for the application, including without limitation, information provided to the Planning Commission by City staff and through public testimony on the application; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution and its findings are made based upon evidence presented to the Board at the hearing including, without limitation, the staff report and attachments submitted by the Community Planning and Building Department; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Resources Board did hear and consider all said reports, attachments, recommendations and testimony herein above set forth and used their independent judgement to evaluate the project; and

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code §§ 21000, et seq., "CEQA"), together with State Guidelines (14 California Code Regulations §§ 15000, et seq., the "CEQA Guidelines") and City Environmental Regulations (CMC 17.60) require that certain projects be reviewed for environmental impacts and that environmental documents be prepared; and

WHEREAS, adoption of a finding of consistency is "not a project" pursuant to section 15378 of the CEQA Guidelines. Adoption of a finding of consistency does not grant any permits or entitlements approving a project which would result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment; and

WHEREAS, the facts set forth in the recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

NOW THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, based on the above findings and evidence, that the Historic Resources Board of the City of Carmel-By-The-Sea does hereby **issue a Determination of Consistency with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards** for the construction a 15,351-square-foot mixed-use building with a 9,805-square-foot subterranean garage on a portion of the Northern California Savings & Loan Complex site being in general conformance with the attached sketches and plans, all being attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. This Determination of Consistency is further predicated on the following Recommended Condition(s) of Approval being accepted and approved by the City of Carmel-by-the-sea Planning Commission as part of the discretionary permit for this project:

Recommended Conditions of Approval		
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1.	<p>Community Room Repairs. If repairs or alteration of any nature are proposed for the Community Room, the applicant shall submit in writing to the Community Planning and Building Department an application outlining the details of any proposed work for review and approval prior to commencement of work. Any deteriorated exterior elements for the Community Room should be repaired, rather than replaced.</p>	✓
2.	<p>Concrete Wall. Prior to issuance of a demolition permit, the applicant shall seek options to preserve the remaining original intact section of the concrete wall on the south end of the Community Room as detailed in the Historic Resources Board staff report dated July 17th, 2023 ("Wall"). Options for preservation shall be explored in the following order:</p> <p>1) Make a good faith effort to work with the adjacent property owner (D&K Dolores, LLC, or owner at the time) to find an option for moving the Wall to the 7th & Dolores Restaurant site as detailed in the Historic Resources Board staff report dated July 17th, 2023. This relocation is subject to all separate required City approvals and permits.</p> <p>2) Make a good faith effort to find an off-site location to place the Wall that is acceptable to the Community Planning and Building Department. This relocation is subject to all separate required City approvals and permits. Prior to exploring this option, the applicant will provide the Community Planning and Building Department with a signed written explanation of the efforts taken to satisfy Option 1, and the reason why an agreement could not be reached with the adjacent property owner.</p> <p>3) If the applicant is unable to find a suitable location for placement of the Wall after the good faith efforts listed in options 1 and 2 above, the applicant will provide the Community Planning and Building Department with a signed written</p>	✓

	explanation of the efforts taken to satisfy both Options 1 and 2, and the reasons why the wall could not be relocated. The subject wall shall not be demolished or relocated prior to issuance of a demolition permit by the City.	
3.	Conditions of Approval. The Conditions of Approval listed above (HRB Conditions of Approval) shall be incorporated into the Design Review Conditions of Approval and any action taken by the Planning Department or Planning Commission, as necessary.	✓

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA this 17th day of July, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Jordan Chroman
Chair

Leah Young
Historic Resources Board Secretary