

PART I OVERVIEW

1. Mission Statement

The University Park Historic Preservation Overlay Zone Mission Statement is:

To maintain and enhance the quality of life and sense of place and character in the University Park HPOZ (UPHPOZ) area, using preservation principles as a planning and management tool and stabilizing the community for future generations. The UPHPOZ shall: promote education by encouraging interest in the cultural, social, economic, political, and architectural phases of its' history; preserve and enhance the buildings, structures, Natural Features, sites and areas which are reminders of University Park's history and unique and irreplaceable assets to the City; insure that new development will fit into the existing neighborhood by respecting it's surrounding architectural context, appropriate setting and environment; develop and maintain the appropriate settings and environment to preserve these buildings, structures, Landscaping, Natural Features, and areas; provide Guidelines for both existing and new development; secure the economic benefits of preservation; enhance property values; gain the cooperation of other government bodies whose decisions affect the area's physical character; and ensure that all procedures comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

2. Goals and Objectives

GOAL 1 Identify historic places, both architectural and natural, that gives the community its special character and that can aid its future well-being.

Objective 1.1 The Historic Resource Survey be continually evolving to reflect periods in history and architectural character that are reflective of the periods of significance and can adapt new information regarding contributors, non-contributors, and contributors that have been altered.

Objective 1.2 Understand the significance of the major landscape specimens that are largely un-surveyed be inventoried and preserved.

GOAL 2 Adopt the preservation of historic places as a goal of planning for land use, economic development, housing, and transportation.

Objective 2.1 Encourage and create organizational, regulatory, and incentive mechanisms to facilitate preservation, and provide the leadership to make them work.

GOAL 3 Capitalize on the existing value of historic residential and commercial neighborhoods and properties

Objective 3.1 Utilize the Preservation Plan Guidelines and develop revitalization strategies that encourage appropriately designed and compatible development.

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GOAL 4 Ensure that policies and decisions on community growth and development respect the University Park HPOZ heritage and enhance overall livability.

Objective 4.1 Recognize the importance of historical development patterns and lot configuration and their relationship to the streetscape.

Objective 4.2 Retain historic landscape features by encouraging the use of Landscaping appropriate Natural Features to improve the streetscape.

Objective 4.3 Recognize the importance of accessory buildings and structures in providing historic character to the district and encourage accessory building and structure development as additional space for the primary structures.

GOAL 5 Demand excellence in design for new construction and in the stewardship of historic properties and places.

Objective 5.1 Utilize the Preservation Plan Design Guidelines and the Secretary of Interior Standards to ensure that rehabilitation of existing structures and new infill development is consistent with the historic community character.

GOAL 6 Use the community's heritage to educate citizens of all ages to build civic pride.

Objective 6.1 To build awareness and improved knowledge of historic architecture and the neighborhood.

Objective 6.1 To build pride by distinguishing University Park HPOZ's uniqueness.

Objective 6.1 To build understanding of the importance of preservation and restoration.

GOAL 7 To encourage and support a feeling of community within the neighborhood and the greater Los Angeles area.

Objective 7.1 Communicate with the residents and property owners by newsletters and others means including neighborhood tours and information and demonstration sessions.