

# Historic Preservation

## City of Monrovia

CELEBRATING MONROVIA THROUGH PRESERVATION...  
FOR 25 YEARS

City Council  
October 6, 2020

# In the beginning...

**1980** Monrovia Old House Preservation Group formed.

**1982** First MOHPG Home Tour

**1985** **Historic Resources Survey** conducted. This was a joint effort between MOHPG and the City of Monrovia



# A program is established...

- 1992** **Historic Preservation Advisory Committee** appointed by the City Council.
- 1994** Draft **Historic Preservation Ordinance** released for public review.
- 1995** Ordinance No. 95-01 adopted April 4, 1995.
- 1995** **Historic Preservation Commission** appointed. First meeting held on September 26, 1995.

# Historic Preservation Milestones

**1996** First five **Historic Landmarks** designated and **Mills Act Contracts** approved:

- ▶ Historic Preservation Commission – April 24, 1996
- ▶ City Council – June 4, 1996





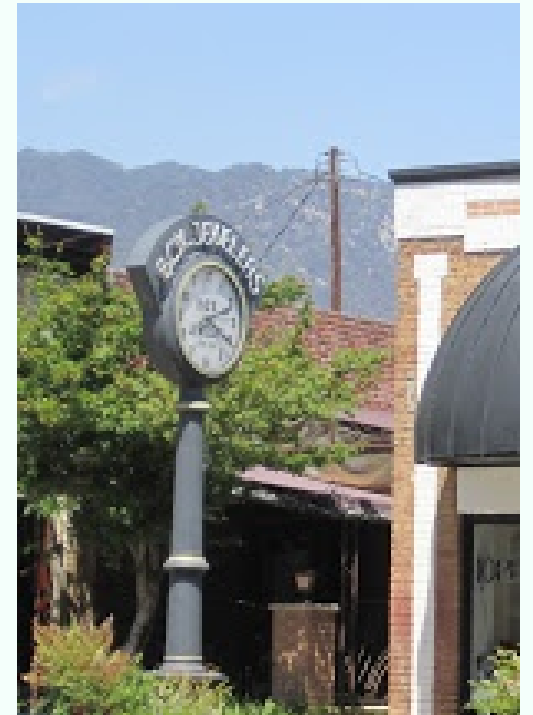
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**1998 California Preservation Foundation Design Award** for the restoration of the Upton Sinclair House (HL-14).



# Historic Preservation Milestones

- 2002 First non-building designated (Boxx Clock; HL-36)
- 2003 **Historic Landmark No. 50** designated
- 2003 **First multifamily property** designated (Harding Court; HL-58)





# Historic Preservation Milestones

2006 **Historic Landmark No. 100** designated

2007 **Tifal Duplex** designated after demolition request rejected (HL-114)

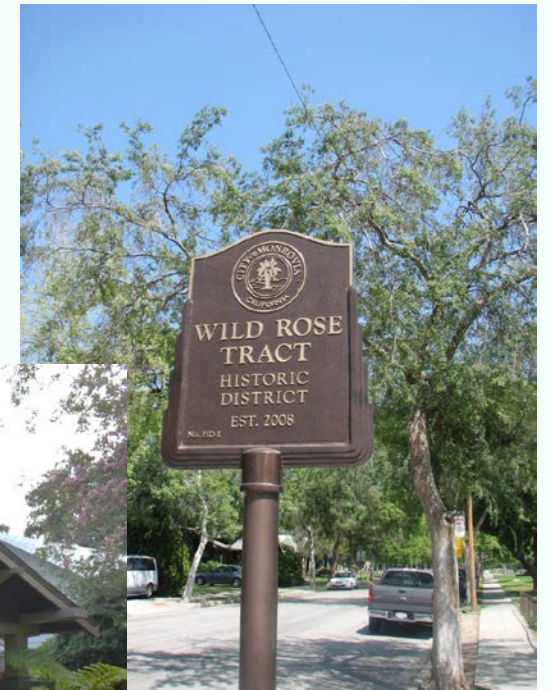






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2008 Wild Rose Tract Historic District (HD-1) designated

2009 Governor's Historic Preservation Award

**WILD ROSE TRACT HISTORIC DISTRICT**  
Historic Context and Survey





# Historic Preservation Milestones

- 2014** HPC reviews 6 potential demolitions which began the two-year demo moratorium and the initiation of the **Monrovia Neighborhood Study**
- 2016** **Demolition Review Ordinance** adopted (2016-10)
- 2018** Citywide **Historic Context Statement** adopted



# Historic Preservation Milestones

2017 North Encinitas Historic District (HD-2) designated

North Encinitas Historic District

Historic Context and Survey





# Historic Preservation Milestones

- 2015 **Old Town Monrovia** recognized as a **Great Place in California** by the American Planning Association
- 2016 Designation of the **Monrovia Santa Fe Depot (HL-137)**
- 2018 **California Preservation Award** from CPF for Rehabilitation





# Historic Preservation by the numbers...

- ▶ 153 Historic Landmarks
- ▶ 2 Historic Districts
- ▶ 139 Mills Act Contracts
- ▶ Over \$600,000 of property tax saved by property owners that can be dedicated to restoration and preservation. City's portion of revenue reduction is approximately \$163,000. (as of 12/2018)
- ▶ 24 Historic Preservation Commissioners
- ▶ 4 Historic Preservation/Planning awards
- ▶ Los Angeles Conservancy Report Card Grade: **A-**

Happy 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Historic Preservation Commission!

September 26, 1995

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