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Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE 11/7/24 HAB Agenda Item 2024-4521--Historic Guidelines require outside qualified professional report

Hello Board,

This is a reminder that any "Historic guidelines" reviewed by the Board must be developed by a qualified outside consultant who meets the Secretary of the Interior's standards. It is inappropriate for anyone lacking these qualifications or is potentially biased—such as a City employee—to participate in developing these guidelines. **Here is a SHPO-verified list to pick from:** [list](#)

Consider this: all existing historic reports were prepared by external consultants, so...

The same standard applies to all projects at the Point:--reports should come from properly qualified, independent consultants---I previously provided a report by VerPlanck Historical Consultants as a model.

Also remember: All boards have the right to set their own agenda and establish their own bylaws-.Allen Tai, as a City employee, should not control your information or agenda—this is a citizen oversight board, and such involvement is a clear conflict of interest. The City has been undermining your authority for years; it's time to reclaim it.