

802 BUENA VISTA AVENUE CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

HISTORICAL ADVISORY BOARD

JULY 17, 2025





BACKGROUND

- 1,466 square foot, single-family craftsman style dwelling.
- Constructed 1908 likely by the Strang Brothers.
- “S” designation on the Historical Building Study List
- Vacant since 2022 fire.



HISTORIC CONDITIONS

PROJECT SITE



“This is a one-story wood-frame Craftsman house of H-plan, sheathed in horizontal wood siding and stucco, and capped with intersecting gable roofs. Two gable ends face the street joined by a central wing which is partially voided to create a porch.

The porch is faced in fieldstone, with wooden railing and wooden posts surmounting fieldstone bases. A fieldstone chimney is contained in the gable end to the left of the porch. Stout angular brackets underpin the roof eaves. A shed roof dormer is on the gable slope above the porch.”

EXISTING CONDITIONS



- Inclusion on the study list based on the location within the Mastick Park subdivision, the likely builders, and the exemplary craftsman style.
- The loss of the original architectural features diminishes the design, materials, and workmanship integrity of the building.
- Since the 2022 fire, no applications have been received for repair or reconstruction.

EXISTING CONDITIONS CONT.





“The building does not appear to retain sufficient overall integrity for listing in the National Register of Historic Places or California Register of Historic Resources.” –Page & Turnbull, DPR Primary Record

EXISTING CONDITIONS CONT.

PROPOSED DEMOLITION AND ADDITION





HISTORICAL ADVISORY BOARDS'S ROLE

AMC Section 13-21 requires the following findings be made to issue a Certificate of Approval:

- 1. The structure to be demolished does not embody distinctive characteristics of a type, period, region, or method of construction, nor does it represent the work of an important creative individual.**
- 2. There are no events associated with this property that make a significant contribution to the history or cultural heritage of local or regional history.**
- 3. The property is not associated with persons important to local, state, or national history.**
- 4. The property does not yield any information important in prehistory or history.**



STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Board Questions

Public Comment

Board Decision

