CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT
URBAN PLANNING DIVISION

MEMO – Historic Resources Survey and Context Plan

To: Historic Preservation Board

From: William Gray, Senior Planner

Date: October 6, 2025

RE: Historic Resources Survey and Context Plan – HPB 2308

The City of Colorado Springs Historic Resources and Survey and Context Plan ("Plan") was presented to the Historic Preservation Board (HPB) for its formal review and adoption on August 4, 2025.

The HPB provided significant feedback and edits for improvements to the Plan. This included making sure to address the review comments from State Historic Fund. The HPB continued its final decision to October 6, 2025, to give City Staff and Consultant more time to complete these edits.

The final draft was completed on August 29, 2025, and addresses HPB review comments and the State Historic Fund. It has also been sent back out for review by the HPB, Historic Preservation Advocates and the public. Historic Preservation Alliance and Historic Neighborhood Partnership provided an additional comment related to the importance of neighborhoods, and that the map contained in the Plan does not identify all neighborhoods, and that some are not accurate or identified neighborhoods have subsets that are within or amongst those that are identified.

City Staff finds after completing its review of the Historic Resource Survey and Context Plan that it meets the required objectives and methodology as set forth by the City's Consultant Services Agreement and the State of Colorado's Grant Agreement, and it complies with PlanCOS and HistoricCOS, and can be approved by the Historic Preservation Board with the following conditions:

1) Final Plan is approved by History Colorado/State Historical Fund.
2) A note is added to the Neighborhoods Maps indicating that it may not reflect all levels of historic neighborhoods of the City but its purpose and intent is to reflect that the city is comprised of many identifiable neighborhoods that contains historic resources and that within or amongst these neighborhoods there exists

subsets of these neighborhoods that are equally important even if not specifically named.

3) All photos included in the Survey Plan and those provided by volunteers that assisted in the field reconnaissance of residential neighborhoods be archived on the city's historic preservation web page to show case the city's many resources from the late 1800s to the 1970s. These include early neighborhoods, post-World War II subdivisions, shopping centers, schools, fire stations, commercial buildings, public facilities, designed landscapes, art installations, and houses of worship.
4) The City of Colorado Springs and its Historic Preservation Board work with historic preservation advocates and other stakeholders to advance progress on a Survey Program that is similar to Discover Denver and others.