

Adopt an Ordinance to designate Grant Neighborhood as a Historic Landmark District.

City Council October 8, 2019





Vicinity Map



- Houghton City of Long Beach, California **Council District 9 Neighborhood Map**

Long Beach

North Long Beach

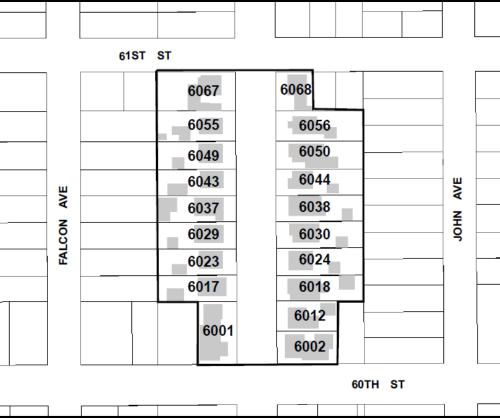




19 Properties along Walnut Street.















How to create a Landmark District

Long Beach Municipal Code definition:

"Landmark District" means any grouping of related properties that has a special historical, cultural, archeological, architectural or aesthetic value as part of the heritage of the City, State, or United States and has been designated as a Landmark District pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter.

Application Timeline:

- January 2018 Application submitted.
- Historic Context Statement and Historic Resource Survey Report Prepared.
- September 23, 2018 Community Meeting Held.
- December 10, 2018 Cultural Heritage Commission Hearing.
- **March 5, 2019** City Council requested City Attorney to prepare Ordinance.
- October 8, 2019 Adoption of Ordinance and Resolution.

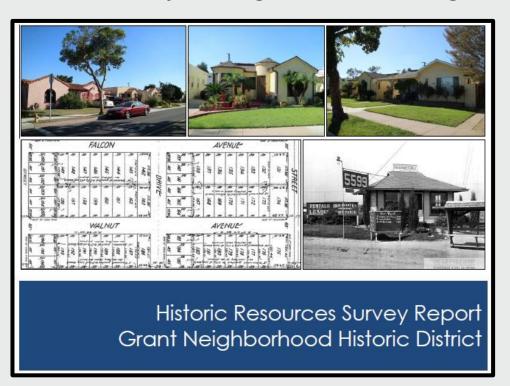




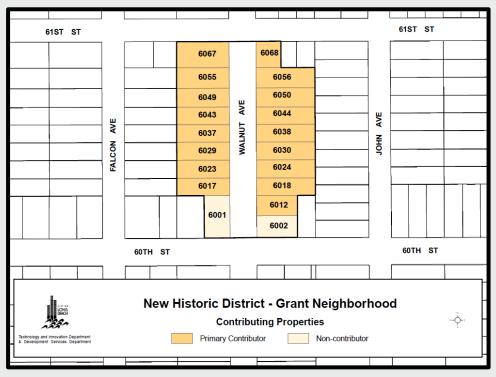
Grant Neighborhood Historic Resource Survey

Significant Events

- 1920's Oil Boom
- Defense Industry/Naval Presence
- Exclusionary Housing Practices/Redlining



- 19 properties evaluated
- 17 deemed contributing



Predominant Architecture Style - Spanish Colonial Revival





Analysis and Findings

<u>Criterion A</u> - The grouping represents a significant and distinguishable entity that is significant within a historic context.

Unified through:

Compatible architectural styles and scale.

Shared planning features:

Street trees, landscaping, and uniform set-backs.

This cohesive collection of residential properties reflects Long Beach's booming economic growth in the 1920s and corresponding rapid residential expansion in the city periphery. The rise of the personal automobile made settlement feasible in areas far from the City center. <u>Criterion B</u> – A minimum of 60 percent of the properties within the boundaries of the proposed landmark district.

17 out of the 19 were found to be contributing.

A total of 89 percent of properties are contributing to the district which exceeds the minimum requirement of 60 percent.





Recommendation:

Declare an Ordinance amending the Long Beach Municipal Code (LBMC) by adding Section 16.52.2300 relating to the designation of the 19 properties on the 6000 block of Walnut Avenue, known as Grant Neighborhood Historic District, as a Historical Landmark District, read the first time and laid over to the next regular meeting of the City Council for final reading; and

Adopt a Resolution establishing a historic resources designation for the 19 properties on Walnut Avenue, collectively known as the Grant Neighborhood Historic District.





