

# Carnegie Library Conservation Easement Amendment

Ordinance 15-2019

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# Requested Council Action

 Approval of an amendment to the existing conservation easement on the Carnegie Library property

- Existing: uninterrupted visual enjoyment of Carnegie Library building
- Proposed: except grantor (property owner of Carnegie Library)
  may affix to the patio on the eastside of the structure, four season
  Pergola(s)



### Overview

- Process
- Application Details
- Review Criteria & Analysis
- Recommendation
- HPB Action



### Process

- Staff determination of non-compliance
  - Tents in violation of existing conservation easement
- Staff review of request to amend the easement
  - Recommending denial
- Historical Preservation Board review
  - Resolution 02-2019 recommends denial of amendment

#### **≻City Council review**

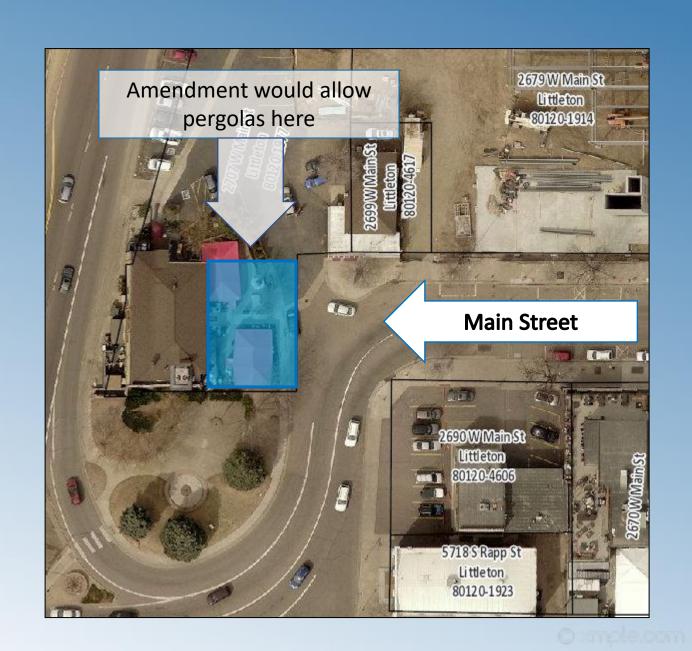
- First reading: April 16, 2019
- Second reading: May 7, 2019
- If Approved SDP or Sketch Plan & HPB Approval of pergolas
  - Possible variances through BOA



# **Application Details**

- Carnegie Library Building & Easement
- Western focal point on Main
   Street
- Downtown Neighborhood
   Plan Iconic structure





# **Application Details**

- Constructed in 1917
- Front façade remains nearly untouched
- 1983 Conservation Easement city owns full and free right to uninterrupted visual enjoyment
- Request by Carnegie tenant to establish permanent pergolas







1920 2015



# Proposed Pergolas







### Recommendation

#### **HPB Recommendation: Denial**

Pergolas will diminish the visual enjoyment of the Carnegie Library building

#### **Staff Recommendation: Denial**

- May diminish views of the building
- May diminish historic character of Downtown Littleton
- Strict enforcement of existing easement



### Council Action

Applicant requests approval of amendment to Carnegie Library view easement

#### Options:

- Approve
- Approve with conditions
- Deny
- Continue to date certain
- Remand to HPB for additional consideration

