

Legislation Text

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Subject:

Presentation on the recent survey title Commercial Modernism in the Great West Littleton Boulevard Corridor 1950-1980

<p>Presented By: Historic Preservation Consultants Diane Wray Tomasso and Michael Paglia; and Andrea Mimnaugh, Historic Preservation Planner</p>

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

No council action requested.

BACKGROUND:

The study session will be a presentation on the recent survey, *Commercial Modernism in the Greater Littleton Boulevard Corridor* (“the survey”), which inventoried buildings of historic significance between 1950 and 1980 along the corridor. The presentation will include:

1. Background on the project
2. Premier showing of the video titled “Modern Buildings of Old Littleton”
3. Overview of the survey results

Project History

In 2015, the City of Littleton was awarded a State Historic Fund Grant to help pay for a survey of commercial buildings in the West Littleton Boulevard corridor. On behalf of the city council, the mayor signed a contract with the State of Colorado to accept the grant on December 15, 2015. The grant was \$35,000 with a city match of \$13,100. Consultants Diane Wray Tomasso and Michael Paglia were chosen to undertake the project.

In July, 2018, the survey was completed. Titled *Commercial Modernism in the Greater West Littleton Boulevard Corridor*, it provides historical context on the rise of Modernism in Littleton and sets forth detailed information on the architectural style and historic significance of 77 buildings constructed between 1950 and 1980 in and around Littleton Boulevard.

The survey also identifies properties eligible for landmark designation under the city’s historic preservation code as well as those eligible for the state and national registers.

Use of the Survey

1. Resource for property owners
2. Identification of structures eligible for historic landmark status

3. Resource for the update to the Littleton Comprehensive Plan

Community Outreach

A Littleton Boulevard outreach committee was established to identify and help organize activities to inform property owners and the community of the historic significance of Littleton Boulevard.

Per its charter, the committee will meet as needed through spring, 2019. Members of the committee include Kim Field, Historical Preservation Board; Amy Fischer, Historical Preservation Board; and Rick Cronenberger, Historic Littleton, Inc.

STAFF ANALYSIS:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACTS:

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

OPTIONS/ALTERNATIVES:

N/A