

# **Goals to Guide the City of Boulder's Historic Preservation Program**

## **Ensure the Protection of Boulder's Significant Historic, Architectural, and Environmental Resources**

- Ensure the City of Boulder remains a leader in historic preservation through the careful stewardship of its own historic resources and by encouraging innovative approaches to preservation
- Prioritize resources and areas that are historically, architecturally and/or environmentally significant and representative of Boulder's past, and develop strategies for their protection
- Align historic preservation goals with other city plans and policies and enhance internal coordination
- Increase community understanding of the inherent connection between historic preservation and environmental sustainability
- Establish a clear process for the protection and management of historic resources in the event of natural disaster
- Explore innovation and alternative strategies to recognize and protect important resources from the recent past

## **Actively Engage the Community in Historic Preservation Efforts**

- Encourage collaboration between the Landmarks Board, city staff, historic preservation organizations and the community to engage in an open dialogue and advance historic preservation goals
- Interpret Boulder's historic, architectural, and environmental resources for residents and visitors
- Celebrate, promote, and raise awareness about historic preservation successes in Boulder

## **Make Review Processes Clear, Predictable, and Objective**

- Promote excellent customer service
- Provide training opportunities for board and staff to ensure fair, objective, and consistent decision-making
- Provide complete and accurate information to the public in an easily-accessible manner
- Ensure regulations and design guidelines are current, relevant, and provide effective protection of historic buildings
- Protect historic resources through effective review and enforcement policies and practices
- Recognize and communicate that historic districts and individual landmarks evolve and that designation allows for change that is sensitive to a building's historic character

## **Continue Leadership in Historic Preservation and Environmental Sustainability**

- Integrate historic preservation and environmental sustainability policies to maintain shared community resources for future generations
- Recognize innovative scholarship and projects that successfully balance historic preservation and environmental sustainability
- Continue to address common energy efficiency issues as technology evolves, including window replacement, solar panel installation, and the use of alternative materials

## **Encourage Preservation of Historic Resources**

- Promote existing incentives, such as eligibility for tax credits and relief from building and zoning codes
- Explore alternative initiatives to encourage historic preservation, improve public perception and defray the cost of rehabilitation and restoration projects
- Recognize and honor property owners for exemplary stewardship of historic buildings