

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT OCTOBER 5, 2022

TO: Members of the Historic Preservation Commission

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SUBJECT: Update on the Masson House Historic Structures Report

BACKGROUND:

The City of Calabasas hired the Historic Resources Group (HRG) to compile the first Historic Structures Report (HSR) in 2010. The original report included an analysis of the existing building and a cost estimate of the repairs required. The original report identified a few main issues with the structure such as foundation repair, existing structural elements in the crawl space, drainage problems, chimney reinforcement required, termite damage in the rafters, and wood floor structural elements needing to be repaired.

The last recorded repairs done on the Masson House were a re-roof in 2009 and retrofitted shoring of the existing floor system done in 2011. Due to the passage of time from when these repairs were performed and the original report analysis, the City opted to get an updated Historic Structures Report analysis.

CURRENT STATUS:

In August of 2022, the City contracted Historic Resources Group (HRG) to supplement the original HSR by providing an update on the existing issues and providing a list of any additional issues due to the wear and tear of time. On August 16, 2022, HRG performed a site visit to provide a complete analysis of the structure's existing condition. City Staff received the draft report from HGR on September 22, 2022. The preliminary report is currently under review by City Staff. Staff will be sharing with commission members some of the preliminary findings of the draft report. We anticipate the final report being complete within 4 -6 weeks.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that Commission receive and file report.