

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-xx**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING PLANNING APPLICATION PDCR-23-0001 TO ADD THE LEROY ANDERSON HOUSE ON THE CITY'S LOCAL HISTORIC REGISTER AND AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF A MILLS ACT CONTRACT AT 208 MAGNOLIA STREET**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA HEREBY FINDS AND DECLARES AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, an application was filed by John Barnett with respect to the real property located at 208 Magnolia Street, requesting placement of the Leroy Anderson House on the local historic register, and the establishment of a Mills Act contract between the property owner and the City of Costa Mesa; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Section 15061(b)(3) ("Common Sense") based on the findings and conclusions in the staff report.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA HEREBY RESOLVES as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED that based on the evidence in the record and the findings contained in Exhibit A, the City Council hereby approves Planning Application PDCR-23-0001 with respect to the property described above.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of June, 2024.**

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John Stephens, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Brenda Green, City Clerk

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Kimberly Hall Barlow, City Attorney

## EXHIBIT A

### FINDINGS

- A. Pursuant to CMMC Section 13-200.9(2)(b) – “Findings”, in order to designate the subject property on the City’s Historic Register, the City Council must find that:

**Finding:** The site, building, structure, district, object, natural feature or improvement has special historical, archaeological, cultural, architectural, community value in the City, and that the purpose of the City’s Historic Preservation Ordinance is maintained by such designation.

**Facts in Support of Finding:** The 2023 GPA Historic Assessment Report indicates that the residence located at 208 Magnolia Street has special historical, architectural and community value in that the structure reflects the transitional period of early Costa Mesa residential development during which the former farming community of Harper evolved from an agricultural area to the more densely developed town, and is one of the earliest residences constructed in the Newport Heights Tract during that period. Additionally, the Report indicates that the subject residence has community value in that the house was the long-term residence of Leroy P. Anderson, a prominent local attorney who was instrumental in the early development of Costa Mesa. Further, preservation of this historical residence is consistent with the City’s Historic Preservation Ordinance “Purpose” in that designating the property on the City’s Historic Registry will: (1) further safeguard the City’s heritage as embodied and reflected in the subject property, (2) encourage public knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of the City’s past by fostering civic and neighborhood pride and a sense of identity based on the recognition of a cultural resource, (3) preserve a diverse and harmonious architectural style that reflects the City’s history, and (4) enhance property values and increase economic and financial benefits to the City by protecting a local neighborhood historical resource asset.