



COURTESY NOTICE

Joint meeting of the Benicia City Council, Planning Commission and Historic Preservation Review Commission

Thursday, January 24, 2008, 6:30 p.m.
City Hall Council Chambers

The Historic Preservation Review Commission invites you to a special presentation by the State Office of Historic Preservation on the following topics:

PRESERVATION MATTERS!

An overview of the following topics, with specific emphasis on local jurisdictions' control.

THE MILLS ACT PROGRAM

Guest Speaker: Shannon Lauchner, State Historian I – Mills Act Coordinator, Office of Historic Preservation

The Mills Act program is a State of California authorized mechanism by which owners of “Qualified Historical Properties” may use an alternative method of determining property value for property tax purposes.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) GUIDELINES AND HISTORICAL RESOURCES

Guest Speaker: Michelle Messinger, State Historian II - CEQA Coordinator, Office of Historic Preservation

The CEQA environmental review process insures that the City is well informed about the potential environmental impacts of any proposed project, that the public is given an opportunity to comment on the potential environmental impacts of applicable projects, that all relevant information regarding environmental impacts is considered, and that decisions are made to avoid or reduce any potential harm to the environment, when possible.

The information provided will be beneficial to all owners of historic properties as well as any interested parties. The City encourages everyone to attend. Please note that the question and answer portion of the presentation is to address general issues, not specific City of Benicia project related issues.

BY ORDER OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW COMMISSION

GINA D. ELECCION, MANAGEMENT ANALYST

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