



City of Santa Ana
20 Civic Center Plaza, Santa Ana, CA 92701
Staff Report
April 18, 2023

TOPIC: Approval of a Historic Property Preservation Agreement

AGENDA TITLE

Historic Property Preservation Agreement

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the attached Mills Act Agreement with the below-referenced property owners for the identified structure(s), subject to non-substantive changes approved by the City Manager and City Attorney.

<i>Property Owner(s)</i>	<i>Historic Property Preservation Agreement No.</i>	<i>Address/House</i>	<i>Vote by HRC</i>
Brian and Krystle Newquist	2023-01	2311 N. Benton Way	8:1:0:0 (Murashie dissented)

DISCUSSION

On March 2, 2023, the Historic Resources Commission (HRC) recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute the following Mills Act agreement with the identified property owners for historic structure(s) in the City, subject to non-substantive changes approved by the City Manager and City Attorney: Historic Preservation Agreement Number No. 2023-01. This action allows for the approval of a Historic Property Preservation Agreement (Mills Act Contract), which provides a property tax reduction whereby property owners agree to reinvest the tax savings towards the maintenance of the historic property. Additionally, the agreement prevents inappropriate alterations to the protected historic structure(s).

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act, the proposed project is exempt from further review. The following Categorical Exemption will be filed for this project:

- ER No. 2023-10 (2311 N. Benton Way)

FISCAL IMPACT

The Historic Property Preservation Agreement will reduce the Property Tax revenue account 01102002-50011 to the City by an estimated \$939.29 annually noted below, for a period of not less than ten years.

HPPA No.	Address	<i>Estimate</i>	<i>Exhibit No.</i>
2023-1	2311 N. Benton Way	\$939.29	1-2
Total for all Properties:		\$939.29	

EXHIBIT(S)

1. Mills Act Agreement – 2311 N. Benton Way
2. HRC Staff Report – 2311 N. Benton Way

Submitted By: Minh Thai, Executive Director of Planning and Building Agency

Approved By: Kristine Ridge, City Manager