



16 June 2018

Corona PRC Members and Corona Planning Commission
c/o Community Development Department ATTN: Lupita Garcia
400 South Vicentia Avenue
Corona, California 92882

RE: Application for landmark designation: HR2018-0001, 1839 Main Street

Dear Commission Members:

The opportunity to consult with the Community Development Department on this application is greatly appreciated.

After careful evaluation of current appearance and photos taken at various times in the past, as well as recollections of long-time residents, the Board of Directors of the Corona Historic Preservation Society offers the following comments for your consideration:

- We have often been told that "Landmark" status should only be conferred on the "best of the best" preserved structures in Corona. It was listed with "high" Register potential on the Heritage Inventory List more than 35 years ago and has been preserved and maintained to and above that standard...This property certainly merits elevation to "Landmark" status..
- The Historical Significance statement and Architectural Significance statement were particularly complete and illuminating.
- Attention to detail and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation are particularly significant for any historic structures seeking "Landmark" status. The curbside appearance of this property reflects substantial compliance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards during its several changes in appearance. .
- The APN (Assessor's Parcel Number) on the applicant's *Historic Resources Nomination Application* (209-283-001) does not appear to agree with that found in the *Historic Resources Inventory List* (109-283-001)
- The description of the home's architectural style found in the applicant's *Historic Resources Nomination Application* does not agree with the description found in the *Historic Resources Inventory List* or *A Field Guide to American Houses* which was used for reference for the 1982 survey team. The correct architectural style is Vernacular Wood Frame. We are not aware of any characteristics of the Queen Anne-Victorian style that are present in this property..
- The original appearance of the property's roofing, size and location of gables and interior configurations were changed several times, with historically sympathetic

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modifications after the beginning of the 20th century, by subsequent owners, but the current appearance appears to have been substantially complete prior to 1950 (more than 50 years ago) and greatly enhances the appearance of the house.

The Corona Historic Preservation Society supports the naming of the home located at 1839 Main Street as a Corona "Landmark" property. We would also like to recognize and thank the current owners, Jonathan and Rashelle McCarroll for seeking to make it a "Landmark" property. Their efforts should be recognized.

Your careful review of our comments and concerns is appreciated.

Sincerely,

FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Richard Winn

Richard Winn
Treasurer