

RECOMMENDED FINDINGS

Landmark Alteration Permit

General Plan Community Character Chapter – Heritage Preservation

Policy CC-5.2: Enhance the visual character of the city by preserving diverse as well as harmonious architectural styles, reflecting various phases of the City's historical development and the cultural traditions of past and present residents.

Downtown Specific Plan

Goal B-2: Preservation of Existing Neighborhood Character

Protect and enhance the community character of existing neighborhoods, preserving distinctive features.

Policy B-2.1 Preserve and enhance the unique character of the Murphy Station Heritage Landmark District.

1. The proposed project will be consistent with the purposes of the Heritage Preservation Ordinance. **Finding Met.**

The proposed project is consistent with applicable sections of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code and the Murphy Station Heritage Landmark District Guidelines. The proposed façade modifications update the building as well as reverse some changes made by the previous tenants such as revealing the original transom windows and changing the exterior color to a lighter color reflective of the Landmark District. The proposed design elements, materials, and color scheme will not impair the overall historic integrity of the building or impact the significant character-defining features as identified for the 135 South Murphy Avenue building in the Design Guidelines.

2. The proposal will not be detrimental to the significant historical features of the building. **Finding Met.**

The project preserves and maintains the contributing characteristics of the subject building. A historic evaluation report validates the selection of materials and colors and concludes that the proposed design is consistent with the Landmark District and the Murphy Station Heritage Landmark District Guidelines. Therefore, the proposal will not be detrimental to the significant historical features of the building.