

STAFF REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: Regular Meeting of February 26, 2019

TO: Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Holly Smyth, Planning Director

SUBJECT: Update on the Queen Anne House

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Report, Discuss, and Provide Direction, if any.

FISCAL IMPACT OF RECOMMENDATION: None as a result of this item.

DISCUSSION: The City Council recently asked for an update on the status of the sale and move of the Queen Anne House stored on the Corporation Yard site. At the November 9, 2016, City Council meeting, the Council agreed to enter into an agreement to accept a proposal from Rockhead and Quarry out of Berkeley to purchase the historic home in order for it to be relocated to another site outside the City.

Since that time, the environmental review required to allow this historic home to be removed from the Hercules historic inventory and the National Register has been competed which cleared the way for the possible relocation. This process was completed in 2018.

The proposed purchasers advise that they have had difficulty in securing an appropriate relocation site for the home. They are currently focused on the acquisition of a site in Pinole after a prior possible site in the Napa area fell through.

ATTACHMENTS:

None