



December 2, 2013

The Honorable Steve Pougnet, Mayor of Palm Springs
City of Palm Springs
3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way
Palm Springs, CA 92262

Dear Mayor Pougnet,

Subject: Historic Site Preservation Board (HSPB) Recommendation (Item 2H)

Regarding item 2H on the city council's December 4, 2013 agenda, we strongly and enthusiastically support the HSPB's recommendation to update PSMC Chapter 8.05 to expand the definition of Class 3 sites to include those built before 1969. This change will allow the HSPB, and the community, to be more fully informed of any proposed building demolitions.

We fully concur with the city staff's assessment that "Many of the City's signature mid-century buildings were built between 1945 and 1968." Just last year a 1962 Palm Springs residence (Steel Development House #2) was placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Hence, we would encourage the city council to make the logical, and forward-leaning, decision to expand the definition of Class 3 sites to include those built before 1969.

Sincerely,

Erik Rosenow
President

Cc: Councilmembers Foat, Mills, Hutcheson and Lewin