

Union Cemetery Historic Site

OWNERSHIP HISTORY. Union Cemetery was established in 1859 when townsmen formed the Union Cemetery Association to purchase the land, design the cemetery, and sell burial rights to plots. Not being an incorporated entity, the Association had the property deeded to the then Governor of California and his successors as trustees.

This unique "ownership" existed for more than 100 years. In 1962, the State of California quit-claimed ownership in trust to the City of Redwood City.

LANDMARK DESIGNATION. In June 1967, Union Cemetery Historic Site was designated California State Landmark #816. In August 1983, it was placed on the National Register of Historic Places. In 1989, it was designated by the City of Redwood City as a Local Historic Landmark under the provisions of Chapter 40 of the Redwood City Code. Thus, all federal, state, and local laws regarding historic properties pertain to Union Cemetery Historic Site.

The **PARKS, RECREATION, and COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT** of Redwood City is the property manager of Union Cemetery Historic Site and is responsible for its maintenance and operation. The Parks and Recreation Commission decides policy issues as they pertain to maintenance and operational issues.

The **HISTORIC RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (HRAC)** serves as an advisory committee to the Redwood City Planning Commission. The HRAC is responsible for making recommendations to the Planning Commission in all matters which relate to historic preservation. A project proposal application form can be obtained from the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department.

THE PLANNING COMMISSION reviews recommendations made by the HRAC and makes final determination as to the appropriateness of the proposed project.

GENERAL PLAN and its HISTORIC ELEMENT. The RC Historic Landmarks Element of the General Plan proposes repair of damaged monuments and crypts, construction of some park-like features, and restoration of landscaping.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Because of your interest in an historic property, we encourage you to seek information regarding the laws and regulations which apply to them. In addition to local, state, and federal public agencies, private nonprofit organizations can provide assistance.

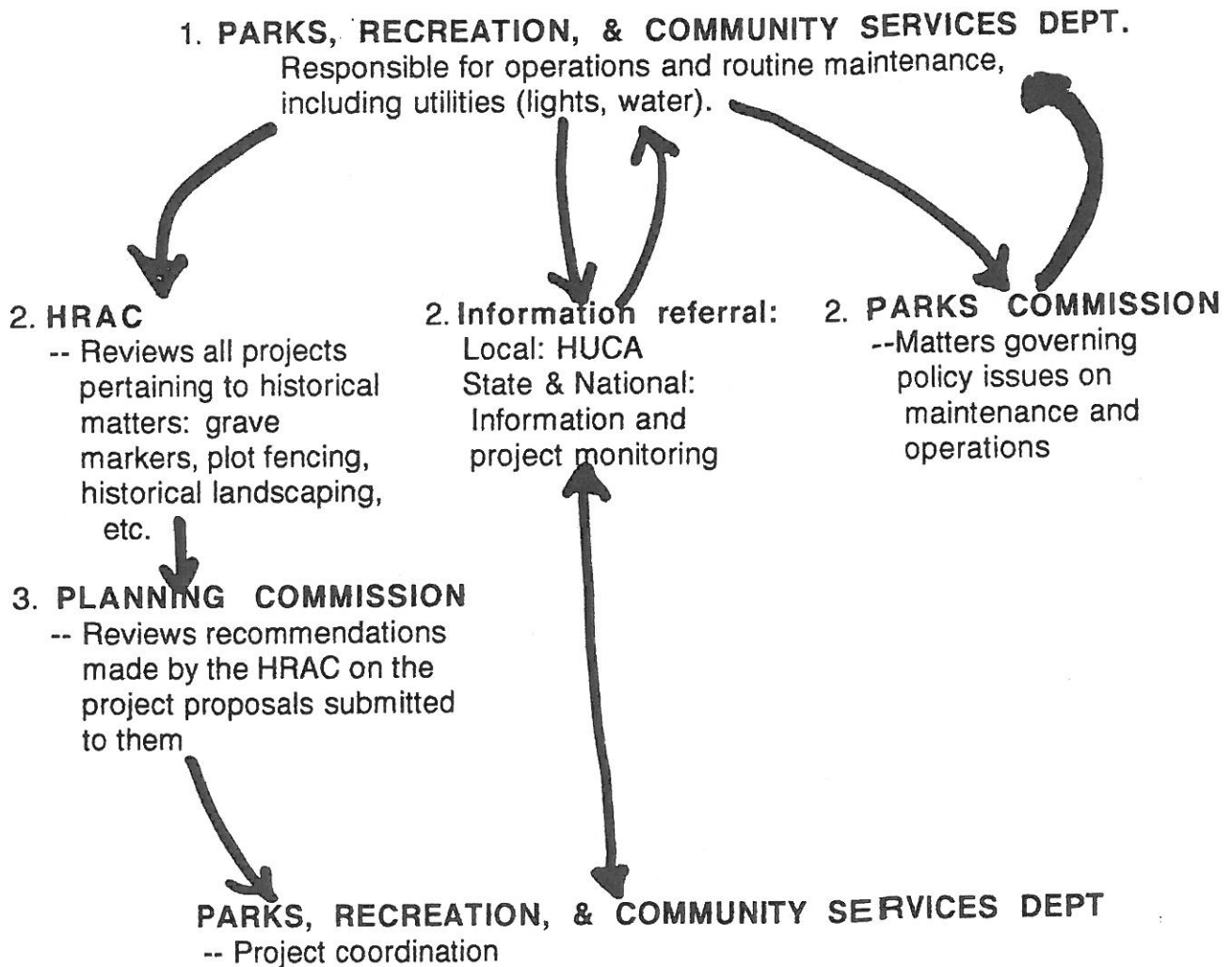
We encourage you to contact the Historic Union Cemetery Association, Inc. (HUCA), P. O. Box 610033, Redwood City, CA 94061. HUCA was formed in 1993 for the benefit of Union Cemetery Historic Site. This support group of volunteers has formed a "partnership in preservation" with the City of Redwood City. They are developing public education programs and sponsor events which promote interest in the cemetery's history and in the lives of the pioneers who are buried there. Among other activities, HUCA sponsors monthly clean-up days and initiates and supports preservation projects.

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Project Proposal Process

The Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department of the City of Redwood City is the property manager for Union Cemetery Historic Site. All persons or organizations interested in the management, preservation, or betterment of this historic property should contact the Parks Department with their suggestions and/or to obtain the project proposal application form.

Depending on the suggestion or project being proposed, the Parks Department will determine the next step in the process according to the following flow chart:



Project Proposal Application for Union Cemetery Historic Site

Applicant's NAME _____

Mailing ADDRESS _____

City / ZIP _____

TELEPHONE Work: _____ Home _____

1. What kind of work are you proposing to do? Attach drawings, if necessary. If work requires removal of markers or other items from the cemetery, explain the transportation method, the exact destination, and the storage method. Also, explain in detail the methods, techniques, and tools to be used as well as the products and materials.

2. Exact location of work (refer to 1992 cemetery grid map) _____

3. What is the purpose of the project and why should it be done? _____

4. Estimated cost of work _____

5. How will work be financed? _____

6. Who will do the work? Has technical expertise been consulted: Yes () No ()

If YES, who ... and what will they do? _____

If volunteers, what participation will they have? (Explain in detail) _____

7. When do you propose to do the work? If this is a phased project, identify each phase and furnish the start and completion dates for each phase.

Start date _____ Completion date _____

8. Will you provide regular care and maintenance to work once completed? Yes () No ()

Applicant's SIGNATURE

DATE

				Date
REVIEWS:	HRAC	Approved _____	Denied _____	_____
	PC	Approved _____	Denied _____	_____
	PR&CS	Approved _____	Denied _____	_____

CONDITIONS / REQUIREMENTS OF APPROVAL _____
