Oakland City Planning Commission STAFF REPORT

Commission Matters **December 15, 2010**

INTRODUCTION

Attached is background information on the California Preservation Foundation (CPF). Oakland Heritage Alliance (OHA) has submitted a proposal to CPF to locate the May 2012 CPF Conference in Oakland. OHA is seeking the support of the Planning Commission. Should Oakland be selected, the Development Director has agreed to provide some staff support.

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CALIFORNIA PRESERVATION FOUNDATION

Mission:

Founded in 1977, the California Preservation Foundation is a statewide nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of California's diverse cultural and architectural heritage.

With over 1,500 members, we are the state's leading voice for historic preservation, as well as its most valuable source for preservation-related assistance. The Foundation is governed by a Board of Trustees and is proud to partner with the National Trust for Historic Preservation and Californians for Preservation Action.

Mission Statement:

"The California Preservation Foundation provides statewide leadership, advocacy and education to ensure the protection of California's diverse cultural heritage and historic places."

Our Goals

Over the next five years CPF is committed to increasing our membership in numbers and diversity; increasing our funding base; increasing our advocacy efforts at a local and statewide level; continuing and expanding our education efforts; partnering with other non-profit organizations to promote smart growth, sustainability and cultural landscape preservation; establishing a Legal Defense Fund; establishing a list of California's "Most Endangered Properties".