



SUNSET PARKSIDE EDUCATION AND ACTION COMMITTEE  
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Dear Property Owner,

As a property owner in the Outer Sunset you will be interested to learn about a survey of old buildings in the Outer Sunset west of Sunset Boulevard and between Lincoln Way and Sloat Boulevard. SPEAK discovered that there were still more than 500 surviving buildings which were constructed prior to 1925 and were part of the former "Oceanside" neighborhood. This neighborhood replaced Carville-by-the-Sea (which was documented by Woody LaBounty in his book with the same title.) The purpose of the Oceanside Survey is to educate property owners and the community in general of the history of their neighborhood and to identify and evaluate buildings which have not been altered significantly and may be eligible for official designation as historic resources.

SPEAK invites you to attend a

**Community Meeting**  
**for the presentation of the Oceanside Survey**  
on Monday, March 19, 2012, at 7 p.m.  
at Grace Lutheran Church at 3201 Ulloa Street, enter from 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue.

After the presentation, our consultant Chris VerPlanck, members of SPEAK and the Planning Department will be on hand to answer your questions. Please be assured that being included in the Oceanside survey will **NOT** have any impact on property taxes.

In February 2010 we sent out a similar letter notifying affected property owners and held a community meeting to present the survey and answer questions. Since then, the Planning Department's Preservation Planners and Survey Advisors Group have carefully reviewed the records and amended some of the reports. Also, some properties changed ownership and the new owners will have an opportunity to be informed. Thus a second meeting seems appropriate.

Our consultant, Chris VerPlanck, studied nearly sixty properties in depth as well as identified five potential historic districts. Not all properties are found to be eligible.

The history and significance of your building exists independently of our survey. The SPEAK Survey team has saved you the cost of an architectural historian for researching and documenting the building's history. Also, the California Historical Building Code can be applied to alterations of identified historic resources. This Code is more flexible and sensitive to historic buildings than are the San Francisco and California Building Codes.

If you are unable to attend the Community meeting, you may send us an email with your comments to [speaksanfrancisco@yahoo.com](mailto:speaksanfrancisco@yahoo.com) or send a letter to SPEAK, 1329-7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94122.

We plan to present the Oceanside Survey to the Historic Preservation Commission on May 2, 2012, for a public hearing and potential adoption.

Sincerely,

Marc Duffett, President SPEAK