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## **Steps Toward Victory for Campaign to Preserve Riverside's historic Chinatown**

Riverside, CA – On Monday, October 24, 2011, the Fourth Appellate District of California Court of Appeals issued a tentative opinion that found in favor of Save Our Chinatown Committee's (SOCC) argument that the City of Riverside failed to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The Court held that the City failed to consider a reasonable range of project alternatives, including proposals that would protect the site's historic archaeological remains. The opinion would overturn the project approval and require the City and the developer, Doug Jacobs, to mend their environmental documents to come into compliance with CEQA. A final opinion will be issued after oral arguments are declined or after they occur as requested by the parties.

“Hopefully the Court's tentative opinion will send a message to our public officials that community members want our City's historic and cultural resources to be preserved,” says M. Rosalind Sagara, Chair of the Save Our Chinatown Committee. “The court's tentative opinion encourages us to continue our work to secure long-term protection for Riverside's historic Chinatown.”

Save our Chinatown Committee is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving Riverside's diverse cultural heritage. Since 2008, the organization has led community efforts to preserve and protect Riverside's historic Chinatown, which was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1990, and has State, County and City historic landmark designations.

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