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**Preservation Utah Honors Park City Municipal Corp. With Two Heritage Awards**  
*McPolin Farm & California Comstock Mill Building cited as exemplary historic preservation projects*

Park City, Utah (March 28, 2017) - Park City Municipal Corporation announced today that it will be the recipient of two Heritage Awards in the category of Stabilization, Restoration, or Renovation. The awards will be presented by [Preservation Utah](#) at their annual Heritage Awards event on April 6, 2017, at Trolley Square's Falls Event Center in Salt Lake City.

Park City is being recognized for its role in the preservation of the historic McPolin Farm. Since purchasing the property in 1991, the City has carefully reconstructed the historic farm house, restored outbuildings and, most recently, completed \$1 million of structural upgrades to enhance the preservation of the McPolin Barn. City staff, in collaboration with SWCA Environmental Consultants, spent two years conscientiously developing a preservation plan that was completed in spring 2016 and will continue to guide development and use of the site in the near future. Additionally, the Friends of the Farm launched a preservation walking tour app in summer 2016 to further promote the unique history of this site. It is largely due to the City's preservation efforts and the dedication of its staff that the iconic McPolin Barn and farmstead has become a treasured community asset.

Park City was also recognized in the category of Stabilization, Restoration, or Renovation for its partnership with Park City Mountain and the Friends of Ski Mountain Mining History to finance and organize the stabilization of one of Park City's most treasured and surviving industrial mining ruins – the c.1900 California Comstock Mill Building.

Over the summer of 2016 and with the help of local contractor, Clark Martinez Xcavation Inc., construction crews carefully cleared debris, salvaged structural members, and reconstructed the back

half of the Comstock Mill Building. Due to Martinez's efforts, the historic Comstock Mill Building is no longer threatened by collapse and the structural stabilization will allow for the safe, future restoration efforts on the stone foundation and remaining wood structure.

"We are honored to be recognized by the Heritage Awards program for the City's work to preserve our historic landmarks," said Park City Mayor, Jack Thomas. "From the McPolin Barn that welcomes all who enter Park City, to the preservation of our mining structures – these efforts provide a tangible connection to Park City's past. And both of these efforts would not be possible without the support of dedicated partners in preservation – Park City stakeholders and businesses, such as the Friends of the Farm, Friends of Ski Mountain Mining History, and Park City Mountain. We share this honor with our partners."

According to Preservation Utah's website, "The annual Heritage Awards program celebrates the people who make preservation happen: dedicated homeowners, insightful architects, creative developers, and visionary leaders. Each Heritage Award offers a model for meeting the challenges of preservation that others can draw on in their own endeavors."

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#### **About Park City Municipal Corporation**

Park City Municipal Corporation is the government seat for Park City, Utah. A former silver mining town, Park City is now home to two world-class ski resorts and was the mountain host for the 2002 Salt Lake City Olympic Winter Games. The town of 7,500 also hosts many special events, including the Sundance Film Festival and the Kimball Arts Festival. For more information, please visit [www.parkcity.org](http://www.parkcity.org).