

WHY HAVE A LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICT?

The purchase of any property is a large financial investment. Prudent business and residential property owners want to protect their investment for the future.

In much the same way, the City of Hendersonville establishes local historic overlay districts to protect the city's unique architectural heritage for the future. *Design Guidelines* are created to ensure that routine maintenance and changes to buildings are done in a manner that will not destroy important historic features so that they can be enjoyed by future generations.

Within the Main Street Historic District, every contributing structure is important from the most impressive courthouse to the smallest storefront. Preserving the elements that make each structure distinctive and "historic" is vital to preserving the significance of the whole district.



HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The Hendersonville Historic Preservation Commission is set forth by the City Council to preserve the historical, prehistoric, architectural, archaeological and cultural heritage of the City of Hendersonville. It serves as the Council's official historic preservation advisory body to identify, preserve, protect, and educate the public about Hendersonville's historic resources.

The Commission consists of nine members living within the City or the City's ETJ and appointed by City Council. Meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month. The City provides a Commission Coordinator as part of the Planning Department.

GETTING YOUR PROJECT APPROVED

The *Main Street Local Historic District Design Guidelines* spell out the kinds of changes and methods of repair.

Most work that involves a change in the exterior appearance of a building or site, and some repair work, must receive a *Certificate of Appropriateness* from the Historic Preservation Commission in advance. No review is required for interior work. However, many routine projects can be approved by staff as a *minor work* in a short period of time often the same day.

Call 828-697-3088 before beginning repairs or changes to:

Signage and Awnings

Storefronts and Facades

Landscaping, Lighting and Streetscapes

Porches, Balconies or Decks

Utilities and Energy Retrofit

Driveways or paving

Safety and Accessibility

Windows or exterior doors

Additions or new construction

Demolition

MAIN STREET HISTORIC LOCAL OVERLAY DISTRICT



QUESTIONS?

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Historic Preservation Commission meetings are open to the public. Regular meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month at 5:00 p.m. Assembly Room City Operations Center 305 Williams Street.

For more information, visit our website at www.hendersonvillehpc.org.



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WHAT YOU NEED TO
KNOW ABOUT
MAINTAINING YOUR PROPERTY