

Historic Resources Code Project

Improving Portland's Historic Preservation Rules

The documentation and protection of historic resources has been an established priority of the City of Portland for more than fifty years. With 24 districts and 700 landmarks designated for their historic qualities and more than 2500 additional structures documented for their architectural and cultural significance, historic places inform Portlanders of the city's past and provide opportunities for continued use in the future.

WHY CHANGE THE CODE?



With intentional changes to Portland's zoning code, historic preservation in Portland can become more equitable, inclusive, resilient, and responsive in the future, honoring the contributions of the past, benefiting a variety of communities in the present, and conserving irreplaceable assets for use and enjoyment in the future. The Historic Resources Code Project will propose significant changes to Portland's regulations for inventorying, designating, and protecting historic resources to arrive at a better future for historic resources themselves, as well as for the people of Portland—those here today and those who will be here tomorrow.

PROJECT TOPIC AREAS



- 1. Inventory** | Establish a framework for updating Portland's 35-year-old citywide Historic Resources Inventory.
- 2. Designation** | Incorporate Oregon law and national best practice into the designation of significant landmarks and districts.
- 3. Protection** | Revise the demolition and design protections that apply to landmarks and districts and expand incentives for adaptive reuse.

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Proposed zoning code changes will be made available for a two-month public review and comment period beginning in November 2018. Following this review period, project staff will incorporate public feedback into a revised draft of the zoning code changes—the Proposed Draft. Staff anticipate that the Proposed Draft will be released in March 2019. The Proposed Draft will be forwarded to the Planning and Sustainability Commission for public hearings, deliberations, possible amendments, and a vote to forward a Recommended Draft to City Council. City Council will hold public hearings in summer 2019 before adopting code amendments.

The Bureau of Planning and Sustainability is asking the public to comment on draft historic resource zoning code amendments prior to public hearings in 2019.

PHASE I: CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT		PHASE II: CODE AMENDMENTS		
SEPT 2017–FEB 2018	MAR–OCT 2018	★ NOV 2018–JAN 2019	MAR–APRIL 2019	JUNE–JULY 2019
Concept Roundtables Public Input and Research	Concept Refinement Draft Code Development	Public Review Input on draft code	Public Hearings Planning and Sustainability Commission	Adoption Hearings City Council

