

Local register designation recognizes individual buildings, sites, structures, landmarks and districts for their historical and architectural significance.



It serves to protect our architectural history providing a layer of review on exterior rehabilitation, alterations, new construction or demolition projects to ensure historic features characterizing the structure are preserved.

PRESERVATION MATTERS

- 1.** It's an act of preserving the lost art of quality craftsmanship. Buildings built now will not outlast a well maintained historic building.
- 2.** It's economical! It's proven, history attracts tourism. Arthur Frommer, travel expert & writer, states "Tourism simply does not go to a city that has lost its soul."
- 3.** It's green! Studies have shown the demolition of a 10,000 sq. ft. building erases the benefit of recycling 2,688,000 aluminum cans.



CITY OF NEWTON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

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NEWTON / NORTH NEWTON REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

**LOCAL RECOGNITION FOR
THOSE STRUCTURES
ARCHITECTURALLY AND
HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT
TO OUR COMMUNITY**

CRITERIA FOR DESIGNATION

The nomination of a structure must have sufficient integrity of location, design, materials or workmanship to make it worthy of preservation or restoration and meet one or more of the following criteria:

1 - Its character, interest or value as part of the development, heritage or cultural characteristics of the community, county, region, state or nation.

2 - Its location as a site of a significant local, county, state or national event.

3 - Its identification with a person or persons who significantly contributed to the development of the community, county, region, state or nation.

4 - Its embodiment of distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style valuable for the study of a period, type or method of construction, or its use of indigenous materials.

5 - Its identification as a work of a master builder, designer, architect or landscape architect whose individual work has influenced the development of the community, county, region, state or nation.

6 - Its embodiment of elements of design, detailing, materials or craftsmanship that render it architecturally significant.

7 - Its embodiment of design elements that make it structurally or architecturally innovative.

8 - Its unique location or singular physical characteristics that make it an established or familiar visual feature.

9 - Its character as a particularly fine or unique example of a utilitarian structure including but not limited to farmhouses, gas stations or other commercial structures, with a high level of integrity or architectural significance.

10 - Its location as a site of prehistoric or historic occupation or activity possessing significant archeological value.

A HISTORIC RESOURCE IS...

- Building - Shelter used for human activity
- District - Grouping of significant buildings
- Structure - Functional structures made for purposes other than shelter
- Site - Significant due to location
- Landmark - Location of importance

DIFFERENCES FROM THE NATIONAL REGISTER:

- Locally controlled review process.
- Only exterior projects are reviewed.
- Recognition for properties that would not qualify for National Register.

BENEFITS OF LOCAL REGISTER DESIGNATION:

- Pride in ownership of a structure significant to our past.
- Maintains our cultural heritage.
- Increased property values.
- Also eligible for the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (for those properties within existing boundaries)
- With an increase in the number of locally listed properties, potential to develop financial incentives increases.
- It's green! Promotes rehabilitation and adaptive reuse keeping construction debris from filling our landfills.

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Newton has a vibrant history with periods of boom and bust that is well represented through the fabric of those buildings that remain.

The goal of the Newton/North Newton Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) is to recognize and protect this fabric to ensure it will stand for years to come as a page in the story of Newton.

The Newton / North Newton Register of Historic Places (LR) is an opportunity to highlight those

historic resources through research and documentation. The completed documentation will be retained in our local archives where the history connected to our resources will be found for generations to come.

For more information about the local register or the nomination process, contact the Historic Preservation Planner. Contact information can be found on the back of this brochure.

