
Sec. 66-60. Demolition and House Move Permit Review.

Applicability. The provisions of this section apply to any request to demolish or move any building, object, site, or structure that is not a historic landmark and is not located within a local historic district. A permit for the demolition of a historic landmark or property within a historic district, including secondary buildings, shall not be granted by the building inspector or other city official without the review of a completed application for a Certificate of Alteration approved by the Historic Landmark Commission, as provided for in sections 66-57, 66-58, and 66-59.

- (1) **Initiation.** All application for permits to demolish or move buildings, objects, sites, or structures which are not already covered under the processes outlined in Sections 66-57, 66-58 and 66-59 shall be referred to the city historic preservation officer for the purpose of determining whether the building, object, site, or structure may meet the eligibility criteria for local historic landmark designation found in Section 66-56 of the code of ordinances.
- (2) **Assessment and Recommendation.** Following receipt of a complete demolition or house move permit application, properties shall be evaluated for eligibility under the Criteria for the Designation of Historic Landmarks and Districts outlined in Section 66-56. The historic preservation officer shall determine whether the building, object, site, or structure may have historic, cultural, architectural, or archaeological significance within 30 days after receipt of the completed application.
- (3) **Decision.** If said building, object, site, or structure is determined by the City Historic Preservation Officer to meet the landmark eligibility criteria, the demolition or house move permit shall not be issued and the historic preservation officer shall make such information available to the historic landmark commission for review and a recommendation as to whether it should be designated a historic landmark. If the Historic Landmark Commission determines that the structure/property does not meet the eligibility criteria, then the demolition or house move permit shall be issued so long as all other requirements for such permit have been met. If the commission determines that the structure meets the eligibility criteria, the commission shall recommend to the city council that the building, object, site, or structure be historically designated. If the property owner objects to the designation, a three-fourths vote of the Historic Landmark Commission or the Planning Commission **and** of the entire city council shall be required for historic designation of the property in question.

(Ord. No. 96-9, § I, 2-26-96; Ord. No. 2007-24, § 1, 3-26-07)