

Sec. 66-60. Alteration certificate required for demolition.

A permit for the demolition of a historic landmark or property within a historic district, including secondary buildings and landscape features, shall not be granted by the (building inspector or other city official) without the review of a completed application for an alteration certificate by the commission, as provided for in sections 66-57, 66-58 and 66-59.

- (1) Significant sites and structures. All applications for permits to demolish or move buildings, objects, sites, or structures not included under section above shall be referred to the city historic preservation officer for the purpose of determining whether or not the building, object, site, or structure may have historical, cultural, architectural, or archaeological significance.
- (2) The city historic preservation officer shall make such determination within 30 days after receipt of the completed demolition permit application and shall notify the building official in writing. If the building, object, site, or structure is determined to have no cultural, historical, architectural, or archaeological significance, a demolition permit may be issued immediately, provided such application otherwise complies with all City Code requirements.
- (3) If said building, object, site, or structure is determined by the city historic preservation officer to have historical significance, the demolition permit shall not be issued and the historic preservation officer shall make such information available to the historic landmark commission for review and recommendations as to whether it should be designated a historic landmark. If the commission concurs on the significance, the commission shall recommend to the city council that the building, object, site, or structure be designated, as appropriate, an exceptional or significant historic landmark.
- (4) The procedures and criteria for designation in sections 66-54, 66-55, and 66-56 shall be followed for this type of designation.
- (5) If the property owner objects to the designations, a three-fourths vote of the entire city council shall be required for historic designation of property in question.

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