

## IS YOUR PROPERTY IN A HISTORIC DISTRICT?



**WAVERLEY:** Defined on the North by the alley north of West Broadway, on the East by North Tyler, on the South by the alley south of West Oklahoma and on the West by North Buchanan.

**KENWOOD:** Bounded on the North by the alley north of Oak Street, on the South by Maple, on the East by Washington, and on the West by Madison.

## WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO LIVE IN A HISTORIC DISTRICT?

The City of Enid recognizes the Kenwood & Waverley Historic Districts as special places to be protected, because of their unique character and because their history is an important part of our heritage.

Residents living in the Kenwood or Waverley Historic Districts benefit from the guarantee that the unique character and history of their neighborhood is protected and preserved for future generations. With that protection comes the responsibility to preserve your property within the Historic District and to apply for a COA for any changes to the exterior of the building, site, or other structure.

## ENID HISTORIC DISTRICT

### REPAIRS, ALTERATIONS & NEW CONSTRUCTION

Any repairs, alterations, or new construction must follow the Enid Historic District Design Guidelines. These only apply to any exterior changes to buildings, structures, and yards in the Historic District. In order to proceed with work on a building or site, the owner must apply for a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA). The COA is granted by a majority vote by the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC). For more information on the COA process, see [Quick Reference Guide #1](#).

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early & often if you  
plan on doing any  
work on your home!



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## ENID COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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# LIVING IN A HISTORIC DISTRICT

## ENID, OKLAHOMA

### Historic Preservation

QUICK REFERENCE MANUAL

NO. 5

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW  
About Living in a Historic District

## ENID HISTORIC DISTRICT

### PURPOSE OF HISTORIC DISTRICTS

The Design Guidelines apply to all exterior modifications for all properties in the Kenwood and Waverley Historic Districts. Applicants are encouraged to review the Design Guidelines early in the planning phase of their project. In addition to complying with all building codes and land use regulations adopted by the City of Enid, applicants must obtain a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Office of Community Development for all proposed exterior modifications, including in-kind replacement, as described in the *Using the Design Guidelines* section of these Design Guidelines.

The purpose of the design review process is to provide guidance and direction for the rehabilitation of properties and sites in the Waverley and Kenwood Districts in order to protect the historic and architectural significance of the neighborhoods. The guidelines are intended to be used as an aid to appropriate design and not as a checklist for compliance.

The purpose of the Design Guidelines is to facilitate both the application and approval of application proposed for design review by:

- Providing the owners of historic properties some assistance in making decisions about maintenance and improvements, and
- Providing the Historic Preservation Commission with a framework for evaluation of proposed improvements.

## BENEFITS OF PRESERVATION

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### FINANCIAL

Property values in Historic Districts are higher on average than neighborhoods that are not designated.

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### SUSTAINABLE

The greenest building is the one that is already built: the materials and processes that emit carbon and create waste are already complete on a historic house. In addition, materials that were historically used in construction tend to be long-lasting and re-usable. Bricks, wooden windows, and wood floors are examples of sustainable alternatives to vinyl and petroleum-based products.

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### COMMUNITY

Historic properties contribute to the broader story of Enid's history. By preserving these neighborhoods we are also protecting the story of our past to share it with future generations.

#### FACT:

According to "The Economic Impacts of Historic Preservation Report" prepared by Rutgers University, the \$125 million spent annually in Oklahoma generates 2,530 Oklahoma jobs and \$171.2 million in economic output in the state.

## STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

SHPO

The SHPO is a function of the state government, created by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. The purposes of a SHPO include surveying and recognizing historic properties, reviewing nominations for properties to be included in the National Register of Historic Places, reviewing undertakings for the impact on the properties as well as supporting federal organizations, state and local governments, and the private sector.

## CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROGRAM

CLG

The CLG Program is a preservation partnership between local governments, the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and the National Park Service. When a municipality applies and becomes certified as a CLG, several opportunities become available to them. Among these are: access to technical advice, participation in the National Register Nomination process, and grant assistance from the SHPO's CLG Fund (made available through NPS). The City of Enid became a CLG in 1985.

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

HPC

The Historic Preservation Commission conducts the local historic preservation program, integrates preservation into local, state, and federal planning and decision-making processes, and evaluates and protects historic resources in Enid. The HPC is also responsible for administering the Certificates of Appropriateness (COAs) for any exterior alterations to buildings or sites within Enid Historic Districts.



## TIP

Learn more about the COA process with the Quick Reference Guide #1.