

## Proposed Definitions to be added to Code

### 35.23.2. - Definitions and Terms.

**Certificate of Appropriateness (COA).** A Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) is required for projects that would alter the exterior appearance or character of an individually designated historic property or any property located in a Historic or Conservation District and shall be obtained prior to the issuance of a Building Permit.

**Demolition by Neglect.** This term is used to describe a situation in which a property owner allows a property to deteriorate, potentially beyond the point of repair, through neglect in the maintenance or repair of any structure on property designated as an historic property or located in a Historic or Conservation District.

**Historic District.** Historic District means geographically definable areas possessing significant concentration, linkage or continuity of buildings, structures, sites areas or land which are united by architectural, historical, archeological or cultural importance or significance. In a Historic District, 51 percent of the buildings, structures, or sites must be of architectural, historical, archeological or cultural importance or significance.

**Historic Conservation District.** A geographically defined area including a landmark or a group of landmarks, created for the purpose of historic preservation. Such a district may be differentiated from a historic district due to Conservation Districts having 50% or less of buildings older than 50 years of age.

**Historic Preservation.** The protection, reconstruction, rehabilitation, repair or restoration of landmarks of historical, architectural or archeological significance.

**Historic Site.** The location of a significant event, a prehistoric or historic occupation or activity, which may include open spaces, or a building or structure, whether standing, ruined, or vanished, where the location itself possesses historic, cultural, or archeological value regardless of the value of any existing structure.

**Historic Landmark Commission (HLC).** The City of Denton Historic Landmark Commission.

**HPO.** The Historic Preservation Officer for the City of Denton (HPO).

**Historic Landmark.** Refers to a building, district, object, site, or structure that is officially recognized by the State of Texas, or the United States government, for its outstanding architectural, archeological, cultural, social, economic, ethnic and political history significance.

**Local Historic Landmark.** Refers to a building, district, object, site, or structure that has been officially recognized by the City of Denton for its outstanding architectural, archeological, cultural, social, economic, ethnic and political history significance.

**National Register.** This term refers to the National Register of Historic Places. This is the official list of the Nation's historic places. Authorized by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, the National Park Service's National Register of Historic Places is part of a national program to coordinate and support public and private efforts to identify, evaluate, and protect America's historic and archeological resources.

**The United States Secretary of Interior Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.** This refers to a document that includes guidelines for preserving, rehabilitating, restoring and reconstructing historic buildings.