



Historic Preservation Master Plan Process



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Timeline

2015 LATE SPRING

Preservation Plan presented to Asheville City Council for review and City Council and Buncombe County Board of Commissioners for adoption

2015 MAY

Final review by City Council Planning and Economic Development Committee. Final review by Planning and Zoning Commission

2015 APRIL 10

Final review by Downtown Commission

2015 MARCH 11

Plan approved by Historic Resources Commission

2014 DECEMBER

Development of Plan Implementation Strategies

2014 SEPTEMBER

Final Draft Reviewed by Master Plan Advisory Committee

2014 AUGUST

Revision of plan completed and submitted to city and HPO

2014 JUNE

Public Workshop #4 to receive comments on draft. Develop final draft and distribute for final comments

2014 JUNE 6

HPO submits comments on draft preservation plan

2014 MAY 31

Submit draft chapters of plan for review and comment to stakeholders and Historic Preservation Office (HPO). Develop revised draft preservation plan

2014 MARCH 21

Submit strategies and draft recommendations to stakeholders Present report in Public Workshop #3

2014 JANUARY 1 – 30

Focus groups conducted Overview of existing conditions and character areas prepared Public Workshop #2 held

2013 NOVEMBER

First open public workshop Begin project Meet with Stakeholders Complete Field Survey

What's happening now?

The Draft Historic Preservation Master Plan was approved by the Historic Resources Commission at their March 11, 2015 meeting. The Plan is scheduled for final review by the Downtown Commission on April 10, the Planning and Zoning Commission on May 6 and by City Council's Planning and Economic Development Committee on May 19. After that, the Plan will be presented to City Council for review and for adoption by City Council and the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners later in the spring of 2015.

Why it's happening

Asheville and Buncombe County currently have a joint Historic Resources Commission (HRC) and a successful preservation program that has been in place since 1979. The HRC has now embarked on a process to develop a comprehensive historic preservation plan with the intention to guide future program development and decision-making for the community. Although, historic preservation efforts are further supported through the City's adopted comprehensive and downtown master plans, this will be the first community-wide historic preservation plan. This plan will establish a community vision for preservation and include supporting goals, policies, and implementation strategies for the joint jurisdiction.

Read the [winning proposal](#) for preparation for the City of Asheville and Buncombe County Historic Preservation Master Plan.

Supporting documents

[Presentation for Public Workshop #1](#)
[2015 Historic Preservation Master Plan](#)

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